

Frequency of Serving

1010.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose is to establish and implement written policy and procedures for the frequency food is served to the youth. This policy applies to all juvenile facility staff.

1010.2 AUTHORITY AND REFERENCES

- Board of State and Community Corrections Title 15 § 1460;
- Welfare and Institutions Code §§ 209, 210 & 885.

1010.3 POLICY

Juvenile facilities are responsible for serving meals at least three times in any 24-hour period. Substitute meals shall be provided when necessary.

1010.4 FREQUENCY

Meals shall be served three times in any 24-hour period. At least one of these meals shall include hot food. A snack shall be provided to all youth between 2 to 4 hours after the dinner meal is served.

Food shall be offered to youth at the time of initial intake, shall be served to youth if more than 14 hours pass between meals, and shall be served to youth on medical diets as prescribed by the attending physician.

Provisions shall be made for youth who may miss a regularly scheduled facility meal. They shall be provided with a substitute meal and beverage; and youth on medical diets shall be provided with their prescribed meal.

1010.5 MINIMUM REQUIREMENT

A minimum of 20 minutes shall be allowed for the actual consumption of each meal except for those youth on medical diets where the responsible physician has prescribed additional time.

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