**Section 702.150 Safety**

a) Introduction

1) Good safety and security practices complement each other.

2) Several agencies or departments, local and state, are empowered to assure compliance with safety standards which have been established by law.

b) Minimum Standards

1) Fire Protection

Based on the size of the facility, there shall be at least one fire extinguisher installed in the basement and on each floor for each 5,000 square feet of floor area.

A) Extinguishers shall be readily accessible to staff members, but not to youth. The local fire department shall be contacted regarding the location, type, and number of fire extinguishers.

B) Extinguishers shall be examined not less than once each year and tagged with the date of inspection and initials of the inspector.

C) All staff members shall be familiar with the characteristics and operation of all types of extinguishers in the facility.

D) Fire drills for staff personnel shall be conducted quarterly on each shift.

2) Emergency Exits

Emergency exit doors shall be clearly indicated with at least 4½ inch block lettering stating "Exit" in all capital letters; their location shall be made known to all staff members; and the keys for the doors shall be immediately available to staff members. There shall be two exits from each floor of detention.

3) Horseplay

Youth shall be prohibited from engaging in wrestling, horseplay, or any unsupervised activity that could cause injury.

4) Safety Orientation

Youth who volunteer and are assigned to vocational-type tasks shall be given a safety orientation prior to participation and shall be supervised while performing the task.

5) Combustible Materials

Combustible materials such as drapes, curtains, and rugs shall be of flameproof material. Paint shall be flame retardant.

c) Recommendations

1) Floors and other walking surfaces should be kept free of substances producing hazardous footing.

2) Safety lectures should be conducted periodically and safety posters displayed.

3) A smoke detector system should be installed.

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