
**NEVADA COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**



CORONER'S DIRECTIVE

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SUBJECT

INMATE DEATHS

POLICY

To set a standard protocol for all inmate deaths within the County of Nevada

PURPOSE

To provide the investigator with notification information in the event of a death in a penal institution in Nevada County

CODE REFERENCE

CASE LAW

DEFINITIONS

PROCEDURE

A. Notification

1. Notify the sheriff, undersheriff, captain in charge of the jail, jail supervisor, and captain in charge of the investigations division. A Major Crimes Unit investigator will be assigned to handle all deaths occurring in the jail. A separate case number from the coroner case will be taken for the death investigation.
2. California Government Code §12525 requires that in any case in which a person dies while in custody of a law enforcement agency, the agency shall report in writing to the California Attorney General, within ten (10) days after the death, all the facts in their possession concerning the death.

3. Reporting the in-custody death is accomplished manually by submitting Form BCIA 713 to:

California Department of Justice
California Justice Information Services Division
Bureau of Criminal Information and Analysis
Criminal Justice Statistics Center
P.O. Box 903427
Sacramento, CA 94203-4270
Telephone (916) 227-3594
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