

**TM 01/05.08 Equipment Check/Inventory: Lethal Injection**

A. Responsibility

1. The Director or Nursing or Designee shall conduct a check of equipment and materials necessary to conduct the execution.
2. The inventory shall be conducted 72 hours prior to the execution.

B. Inventory

1. An inventory checklist shall be completed, dated and initialed by the Montana State Prison Director of Nursing or Designee. Items marked "A" in the "code" column shall be carried into the Execution Chamber by the Executioners at the time of the execution.
2. Quantities of items in, or adjacent to, the cabinet in the Execution Chamber shall include at least those indicated with a "B" in the "code" column.
3. Expiration dates of all items shall be checked individually.
  - a. Outdated items (e.g., normal saline bags) shall be replaced immediately.
4. At least one hour prior to the execution, the Executioner shall enter the Execution Chamber and re-inventory the supplies and equipment to ensure that all is in readiness, and if necessary, immediately obtain replacement items from the Prison Infirmary.

**TM 01/05.09 Acquisition and Storage of Drugs for Lethal Injection**

A. Purchase

1. Fourteen days prior to the scheduled execution, the Warden shall provide to the designated pharmaceutical company for their official records a memorandum specifying:
  - a. the drugs which must be obtained;
  - b. a copy of the judgment of death; and
  - c. a copy of the state statute. (MCA 46-19-103)
2. Seven days prior to the execution, the designated pharmaceutical company will deliver the drugs to the Montana State Prison Infirmary. Upon taking custody of the drugs the Health Service Bureau Chief:
  - a. shall check seals and expiration dates on the drugs prior to receiving them from the vendor;

- b. the Health Service Bureau Chief will deliver all the drugs to the Deputy Warden.
- c. The Deputy Warden shall secure the drugs in a locking cabinet in Warden's cabinet area and maintain personal custody and security of the drugs until such time as they are turned over to the Warden;
- d. The Deputy Warden shall verify the quantity, seals and expiration dates with the Warden; and
- e. shall place the drugs in a vault in the Department of Correction Investigations Unit, witnessed by the Warden.

B. Storage and Handling of Drugs

1. Six to eight hours prior to the execution the Deputy Warden shall pick up the drugs from their storage location.
2. The Deputy Warden will ensure that all of the drugs will be secured from the Investigation's unit and delivered to the designated site for syringe preparation by the Pharmacist. The Deputy Warden shall witness the preparation of the syringes.
3. The pharmacist shall, at that time, prepare all syringes except for the sodium pentothal.
4. The sodium pentothal syringes shall be prepared at the direction of the Warden when it appears that the execution shall be carried out, but not sooner than two hours prior to the execution.
5. The drug boxes containing the syringes shall then be surrendered to the Deputy Warden.
6. The Deputy Warden shall retain the drug boxes until he gives them to the Setup Officer.

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Equipment and Material Checklist: Execution by Injection

QUAN	ITEM	CODE
9	Sodium Pentothal, 1 gm kit,(50 mg/ml)	A
30	Pancuronium Bromide; 10 mg/5ml vial	A
6	Potassium Chloride, syringe containing 70 mEq, (2mEq/ml)	A
3	Diazepam (Valium), 2 ml Dossette Syringes	A
20	Syringe, 60 cc Lur Lock	B
10	Syringe, 10 cc Lur Lock	B
10	Syringe, 5 cc, Lur Lock	B
40	18 Ga., 1 ½" needles	B
20	25 Ga., 1 ½" needles	B
50	14 Ga., 1 ¼" angiocath	B
50	16 Ga., 1 ¼" angiocath	B
18	18 Ga., 1 ¼" angiocath	B
8	Normal Saline, IV Bag, 1000cc	B
8	Solution Injections set; 106" long with Y Sites	B
16	Extension set, 35" long	B
2	Stethoscopes	B
2	Boxes of alcohol preps	B
24	Rolls of Kling	B
4	1" adhesive tape	B
4	2" adhesive tape	B
3 pr	Bandage Scissors	B
12	IV start kits (gauze, dressing, CloraPrep, tape, tourniquet)	B
3 pr	Surgical gloves, size 7 ½ (sterile)	B
3 pr	Surgical Gloves, size 8 (sterile)	B
1	Box gloves, 100 large (non-sterile)	
12	Surgical Masks	B
3 pr	Hemostats	B
6	3" ace wraps	B
100	Gauze pads (sterile)	B
1	Clean up kit	B
1	Flashlight, with batteries	B
6	Batteries (flashlight spares)	B

Inventoried by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **TM 01/05.12 Execution by Lethal Injection**

- A. At least one hour prior to the execution the Executioners and Setup Officer shall be escorted into the Execution Chamber by the Deputy Warden or Designee.
- B. The Executioner shall complete a pre-execution inventory and equipment check (reference TM 01/05.08); and
- C. The Medical Officer shall prepare the IV set-up.
- D. IV Set-Up Procedure
  - 1. The connector of Administration Set (Braun CSP 152VSL or equivalent) shall be inserted into the bag of Normal Saline IV solution.
  - 2. The flow of solution shall be controlled by the Flo-Trol clamp.
  - 3. A 35-inch extension set (Braun SCE 33SL or equivalent) shall be connected to the needle adapter of the Administration set.
  - 4. All connections should then be taped to ensure they do not come apart during the procedure.
  - 5. The tubing shall be cleared of air by removing the protector from the needle adapter and opening the Flo-Trol clamp letting the tube fill with solution.
  - 6. The Flo-Trol clamp shall then be closed and the protective cap over the needle adapter replaced.
  - 7. Steps 1 through 7 shall be repeated for the second set-up.
- C. Preparation of Syringes
  - 1. Six hours prior to the execution the pharmacist shall begin to prepare the necessary syringes except the Sodium Pentothal for the lethal injection. Two hours prior to the execution, on command of the Deputy Warden, the Pharmacist will prepare the Sodium Pentothal.
  - 2. The pharmacist shall prepare the syringes as follows, witnessed by the Deputy Warden and/or the Infirmary designee:
    - a. One set of syringes for the lethal injection;
    - b. One backup set of syringes for the lethal injection.
  - 3. The syringes containing the drugs shall be prepared and loaded in the following order:

- a. Two 60-cc syringes, each containing 70 milliequivalents of Potassium Chloride in 35 cc. (label syringes "3");
- b. One 60-cc syringe, containing 100 milligrams of Pavulon in 50 cc. (label syringe "2");
- c. One 60-cc syringe containing 3 grams of Sodium Pentothal (contents of 1 gram kits X3)
- d. The Sodium Pentothal, being a Federally controlled drug, shall be prepared last (within two hours of the execution), when it appears that it shall actually be used and as directed by the Deputy Warden (label syringe "1"); and
- e. One extra set of syringes are to be prepared and labeled as "stand-bys", in the event one of the others is dropped or otherwise becomes inoperative in handling during the injection procedure.

D. Injection Procedure

1. The angiocath shall be inserted into the vein of the left arm.
2. The inner needle is then withdrawn and the needle adapter is placed on the angiocath.
3. The flow of normal saline shall be started and administered at a slow rate, TKO (to keep open).
4. Step 1 through 3 shall be repeated for the right arm.
5. The administration sets shall be running at a slow rate of flow, TKO, and ready for insertion of the syringes containing the injection agents.
6. Both set-ups shall be observed to ensure they are both patent and functioning properly.
7. No further action is necessary at this time.

E. Lethal Injection Procedure

1. When all preliminaries are completed and when the Warden is ready to proceed with the execution, he shall signal the Executioner.
2. The execution procedures shall then be followed with the Executioner administering a continuous intravenous injection simultaneously.
  - a. The flow of the normal saline into the arm shall be cut off utilizing the Flo-Trol clamp.

- b. The clamp should be moved as close to the "Y" site as possible.
- c. Syringe #1 (Sodium Pentothal) shall be inserted into the "Y" site and the injection shall commence.
  - (1) A slow, even flow of the injection shall be maintained with only a minimum amount of force applied to the syringe plunger.
  - (2) When the entire contents of the syringe have been injected syringe #1 shall be removed from the "Y" site.
- d. The Flo-Trol clamp should then be opened fully and allowed to run for 15 seconds.
- e. The Flo-Trol clamps shall then be closed.
- f. Syringe #2 shall be inserted into the "Y" site;
  - (1) The entire contents shall be injected with slow even pressure.
  - (2) After syringe #2 has been given, the Flo-Trol clamp should be opened fully for 15 seconds.
- g. The Flo-Trol clamp should be closed and the first #3 syringe (KC1) shall be inserted.
  - (1) The entire contents shall be injected with a slow, even pressure.
  - (2) The second #3 syringe shall then be repeated until death has been pronounced.
- h. Upon completion of injections, or at such earlier time as may be appropriate, the medically trained person shall examine the inmate to pronounce death.
- i. If at any time one of the lines become blocked and the flow ceases the lethal injection shall be injected into the line which is not blocked.