

San Diego County Probation

Juvenile Institutions Core Training

Unit 11: Contraband and Evidence

Module(s): 11.1 - Identifying Contraband

11.2 - Identifying Evidence

11.3 - Handling Contraband and Evidence

Instructional Time: 4 hours

1. Introductions
2. Objectives
 - a. Module 11.1: Identifying Contraband
 - i. Generate a definition of contraband in a juvenile detention facility.
 - ii. State why each major type of contraband represents a potential hazard in a juvenile detention facility.
 - iii. Identify common ways in which juveniles in a detention setting obtain contraband.
 - iv. List common hiding places for contraband.
 - b. Module 11.2: Identifying Evidence
 - i. Generate a definition of evidence.
 - ii. Define the following terms related to evidence: proof, burden of proof, reasonable cause searches, Miranda warning, spontaneous statements, and impeach.
 - iii. Explain the reasons for offering evidence in court.
 - iv. Examine the tests that evidence must successfully pass before it may be entered into criminal Court (Evidence Code).
 - v. Explain the main purpose of the "Rules of Evidence".
 - c. Module 11.3: Handling Contraband and Evidence
 - i. Given a description of an incident in which a juvenile is found to be in possession of contraband, state whether a crime has been committed or not.
 - ii. When the possession of the contraband is a criminal act, describe an agency-specific procedure for, and the critical results of, handling contraband as evidence.
 - iii. Given a scenario, identify items that should be treated as contraband for use in disciplinary proceedings.
 - iv. Given a scenario, identify items that should be treated as evidence for use in court proceedings.
 - v. Define "Chain of Custody."
 - vi. Identify the elements of the "chain of custody."
 - vii. Describe the steps to be taken to preserve the scene of a crime or serious incident and the evidence that may be present.
3. What is Contraband?
4. Types of Contraband
5. Obtaining contraband
6. Hiding places
7. Identifying Evidence
8. Burden of Proof
9. Reasonable Cause Searches
10. Miranda Warning
11. Spontaneous Statement(s)
12. Impeachment
13. Evidence in Court
14. Rules of Evidence

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- 15. Handling Evidence and Contraband
- 16. Review / Closing / Evaluations

