

"Management Control Unit (M.C.U.)" means a close custody unit to which an inmate may be assigned if the inmate poses a substantial threat to the safety of others; of damage to or destruction of property; or of interrupting the operation of a State correctional facility.

"Management Control Unit Review Committee (M.C.U.R.C.)" means the Committee within New Jersey State Prison that is responsible for hearing cases of inmates referred for placement in the Management Control Unit (M.C.U.) and for conducting three month status reviews of inmates assigned to M.C.U.

"Minor violations" means the violation of a prohibited act that is not preceded by an asterisk.

"On-the-Spot Correction" means the immediate imposition of a sanction upon an inmate for the violation of a minor prohibited act.

"Prehearing detention" means removal of an inmate from the general population pending an investigation and a hearing into an alleged violation of a prohibited act.

"Protective custody" means confinement to a secure unit designated to restrict or limit an inmate's activities and contacts with others, in order to provide protection to the inmate from injury or harm actually threatened, or reasonably believed to exist based on events, investigative reports, informants' reports or other reliable sources of information.

"Special Administrative Segregation Review Committee (S.A.S.R.C.)" means the administrators, designated by the Director, Division of Operations, who are responsible for the bimonthly review of the status of inmates assigned to all Administrative Segregation Units.

"Special Classification Committee (S.C.C.)" means the Committee composed of representatives from the Prison Complex, Youth Complex and Juvenile Services which consider the transfer of inmates between Complexes.

"Superintendent" means the chief executive officer of any State correctional facility in the New Jersey Department of Corrections.

"Temporary close custody" means the non-punitive removal of an inmate from the inmate general population, or other assigned housing, with restriction to the inmate's cell or to a close custody unit for a period not to exceed 72 hours, for special observation or investigation.

Administrative Correction, effective January 27, 1989.
See: 21 N.J.R. 558(a).

Institutional name change.

Amended by R.1996 d.369, effective August 5, 1996.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2782(a), 28 N.J.R. 3791(b).

Deleted "Commissioner", "Department", "Institutional Classification Committee (I.C.C.)", "Inter-Institutional Classification Committee (I.I.C.C.)", "Prison Complex", "Prohibited Acts", "Transitional Protec-

tive Custody Unit", "Vroom-Administrative Segregation Review Committee", "Vroom Readjustment Unit (V.R.U.)" and "Youth Complex".

10A:5-1.4 Forms

(a) The following forms related to close custody units shall be reproduced by each correctional facility from originals that are available by contacting the Standards Development Unit, New Jersey Department of Corrections:

1. I AUTHORIZATION FOR PREHEARING M.C.U.;
2. I VOLUNTARY—PROTECTIVE CUSTODY CONSENT;
3. II NOTICE OF PROTECTIVE CUSTODY HEARING—INVOLUNTARY;
4. III PROTECTIVE CUSTODY HEARING ADJUDICATION.

(b) The following form related to the Management Control Unit is available by contacting the New Jersey State Prison:

1. L.C. 36 CRITERIA RECORD SHEET.

Amended by R.1996 d.369, effective August 5, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2782(a), 28 N.J.R. 3791(b).

Added (b).

SUBCHAPTER 2. MANAGEMENT CONTROL UNIT (M.C.U.)

10A:5-2.1 Referrals for placement in the Management Control Unit (M.C.U.)

(a) Recommendations for placement of inmates in the Management Control Unit (M.C.U.) may be submitted to the Management Control Unit Review Committee (M.C.U.R.C.) by the:

1. Inter-Institutional Classification Committee (I.I.C.C.);
2. Institutional Classification Committee (I.C.C.);
3. Disciplinary Hearing Officer/Adjustment Committee;
4. Administrative Segregation Review Committees;
5. Superintendent; and/or
6. Director of Custody Operations.

Administrative Correction, effective January 27, 1989.

See: 21 N.J.R. 558(a).

Institutional name change.

Amended by R.1996 d.369, effective August 5, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2782(a), 28 N.J.R. 3791(b).

Deleted references to New Jersey State Prison and to the Director of Professional Services.

10A:5-2.2 Composition of the Management Control Unit Review Committee (M.C.U.R.C.)

(a) The Management Control Unit Review Committee (M.C.U.R.C.) shall be composed of:

1. The Assistant Superintendent;
2. A representative from the Education or Social Services Department; and
3. The person designated as the Supervisor of the Management Control Unit (M.C.U.).

Amended by R.1996 d.369, effective August 5, 1996.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2782(a), 28 N.J.R. 3791(b).

In (a)1 deleted Director of the Vroom Readjustment Unit and in (a)2 substituted a representative from the Education or Social Services Department for the Director of Professional Services.

10A:5-2.3 Responsibilities of the Management Control Unit Review Committee (M.C.U.R.C.)

(a) The Management Control Unit Review Committee (M.C.U.R.C.) shall meet at least once a week, when necessary, to deliberate on matters related to its responsibilities. The M.C.U.R.C. shall be responsible for:

1. Hearing the cases of inmates referred for placement in M.C.U.; and
2. Reviewing the progress of each inmate placed in M.C.U. at least every three months to determine whether continued placement in the Unit is appropriate.

Amended by R.1996 d.369, effective August 5, 1996.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2782(a), 28 N.J.R. 3791(b).

10A:5-2.4 Criteria for assigning inmates to the Management Control Unit (M.C.U.)

(a) The following criteria shall be utilized by the Management Control Unit Review Committee (M.C.U.R.C.) in determining the appropriateness of assigning inmates to the Management Control Unit (M.C.U.)

1. Disciplinary records during the inmates present term of confinement and any previous terms served. Weight shall be assigned to this criterion where there are a substantial number of minor charges, or one or more charges of a serious nature;
2. Past criminal offenses including those for which incarcerated, which indicate the capability and propensity to commit or precipitate serious acts of disruption or violence;
3. Number and location of previous institutionalizations including the disciplinary records, progress reports, classification reports, or any other records which indicate involvement in serious misbehavior;
4. Reports by professional staff (for example, psychologists, social workers, psychiatrists);

5. Reports indicating present involvement in criminal activities in the community or within the correctional facility;

6. Evidence of an attitude which indicates an unwillingness to follow rules and obey orders;

7. Inability to maintain a satisfactory work record as indicated in reports by work supervisors and/or frequency of job changes;

8. Information indicating unsatisfactory adjustment to, or performance in, treatment or rehabilitative programs; and

9. Evidence of the inmate's inability or unwillingness to house with other inmates in a nondisruptive and non-destructive manner.

Amended by R.1996 d.369, effective August 5, 1996.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2782(a), 28 N.J.R. 3791(b).

Case Notes

Prison regulations regarding placement of inmates in restrictive custody created liberty interest. *Layton v. Beyer*, C.A.3 (N.J.)1992, 953 F.2d 839.

Fact that inmate ultimately belonged in restrictive custody was irrelevant to issue of violation of liberty interest. *Layton v. Beyer*, C.A.3 (N.J.)1992, 953 F.2d 839.

Failure to hold hearing following placement of inmate in restrictive custody within specified 5 day period is not necessarily unconstitutional. *Layton v. Beyer*, C.A.3 (N.J.)1992, 953 F.2d 839.

Totality of circumstances must be evaluated to determine whether post-restrictive custody hearing was timely. *Layton v. Beyer*, C.A.3 (N.J.)1992, 953 F.2d 839.

Inmate's release on parole mooted appeal from decision upholding his assignment to special confinement unit. *Cinque v. New Jersey Dept. of Corrections*, 261 N.J.Super. 242, 618 A.2d 868 (A.D.1993).

10A:5-2.5 Assignment to the Management Control Unit (M.C.U.)

(a) An inmate shall be assigned to the Management Control Unit (M.C.U.) when the Management Control Unit Review Committee (M.C.U.R.C.), after considering the criteria in N.J.A.C. 10A:5-2.4, concludes that the inmate poses a substantial threat:

1. To the safety of others;
2. Of damage to or destruction of property; or
3. Of interrupting the operation of a State correctional facility.

(b) Procedures for Management Control Unit Classification Committee (M.C.U.R.C.) hearings described in N.J.A.C. 10A:5-2.6 shall be followed and completed prior to placement in M.C.U.

(c) If there is a need for immediate placement in the M.C.U., such placement shall be made in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10A:5-2.8.