

# **BOULDER COUNTY JAIL**

## **VISITATION RULES**

Visitation is a privilege, not a right. The Boulder County Jail reserves the right to deny entrance to the facility to any persons believed to be a threat to the safety, security, and good order of the jail.

These rules will be posted and made available to visitors and inmates.

1. At least one visitor entering the Visitation Room for each inmate must be eighteen (18) years of age or older. A parent or legal guardian must accompany those under eighteen, unless it is pursuant to a valid court order. Emancipated minors, including spouses, will be approved for visitation in the same manner as adult visitors.
2. No person who is on parole, probation, taking part in an alternative sentence (Day Reporting, Home Detention, Work Release, etc.) or other forms of conditional release, i.e., community programs, furloughs from custody, etc., will be approved to visit an inmate. The Jail Captain, or designee may consider immediate family with a verifiable relationship with an inmate for visits.
3. Former inmates must be out of custody for ninety-days (90) before being approved to visit an inmate.
4. No former employee of the Boulder County Jail is permitted to visit an inmate within one (1) year of separation of employment, unless they are immediate family members and were such before their employment.
5. Volunteers approved to take part in jail programs will not ordinarily be approved to visit inmates. In some circumstances, volunteers may be approved for a one-time visit at the discretion of the Jail Captain or a Lieutenant. We will not authorize volunteers who resign to visit non-family inmates for ninety-days (90).
6. Visitors may not visit with more than one inmate except in those cases where we can establish immediate family relationships.
7. If we determine that a person is likely to have a damaging influence on an inmate, or is a threat to security, a supervisor may deny the visit.
8. Visitors appearing to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be denied admittance into the Visitation Room.
9. Visitors who take prescribed medications on a strict schedule should notify Reception upon arriving for the visit.
10. Inmates and visitors engaging in activity that appears aimed at aiding an escape or attempt to escape will be separated immediately and we may file criminal charges. We will permanently ban the visitor from visiting in the facility and the inmate may not have further visitors while in the facility.
11. If there is a court-ordered no contact condition between an inmate and a visitor, it is the responsibility of the inmate not to participate in the visit and to inform the Visitation Officer.
12. Visitors may not bring any items into the visitation room that the jail has not approved. This includes purses, diaper bags, and other items as determined by the jail. We will immediately seize any unauthorized items brought into the visitation room and the Visitation Officer will ask the visitor to leave. A visitor

caught trying to introduce or who introduces contraband into the jail will be banned from visiting anyone in the Boulder County Jail.

13. Inmates and visitors will obey all staff instructions while in the visitation room.
14. Inmates and their visitors are responsible for conducting themselves in such a manner as to not bring suspicion, nor discredit, upon themselves, or be disruptive or offend other visitors.
15. All visitors will be adequately dressed in suitable, properly fitting, standard clothing that is not provocative, suggestive, or revealing and does not resemble inmate uniforms. Undergarments are required. No clothing that exposes breasts or genitalia are acceptable. Clothing that exposes the shoulders, chest, back, stomach or midriff is not acceptable. No controversial or objectionable designs, messages, or profanity may appear on clothing. Headgear is not acceptable, except religious headgear.
16. We will permit a brief embrace and acceptable kiss at the beginning and at the end of each visit. During visits, inmates may hold hands with their visitor, but the hands must remain visible to the Visitation Officer at all times.
17. It is the responsibility of visitors to supervise and maintain control over their minor children. If a minor becomes disruptive or annoys others during the visit and is not controlled by verbal instruction from the adult visitor, the Visitation Officer may end the visit. However, no physical discipline of minor children can occur within the jail.
18. Visitors may leave the Visitation Room anytime, but he or she will not be permitted to return on that particular day.
19. The Visitation Officer arranges the chairs in the visitation room and they are not to be moved by inmates or visitor.
20. The Boulder County Sheriff's Office is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged personal possessions belonging to visitors while they are on the grounds of the Boulder County Jail.
21. During an emergency or disturbance, we may ask that all visitors leave the facility immediately.
22. At the conclusion of the visit, inmates and visitors share a responsibility for cleaning up the immediate area used for their visit.
23. No changes will be allowed once a visit is scheduled. All scheduled visits will count towards the inmate's allotted visits per week. This includes no shows, cancellations, and visitors denied because of tardiness or dress code violation.