## **SECURITY STANDARDS FOR TRANSPORTATION OF INMATES Number of Transporting Officers/Restraint Type/Security Level**

To From	Maximum***	Medium	Minimum	Community	Jail, SHU, or Other	Court, Hospital
Maximum	2 (armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	2 (armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	1 no restraints	1 no restraints	2 (armed) handcuffs, belly chains, leg irons, handcuff cover	2 (armed) handcuffs, belly chains, leg irons handcuff cover
Medium	2 (armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	2 (armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	1 no restraints	1 no restraints	2 (armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	2 (armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover
Minimum	2 (armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	2 (armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	1 no restraints	1 no restraints	1 *** handcuffs belly chains	1 *** handcuffs belly chains
Community	2 ** (armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	2 **(armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	1 handcuffs belly chains	1 no restraints	1 *** handcuffs belly chains	1 *** handcuffs belly chains (Restraints are to be used at transporting officer's discretion unless the inmate is transported for detention in holding area at O.U Medical Center or Lindsay Hospitals).
Probation Parole	2 (armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	2 **(armed) handcuffs belly chains leg irons handcuff cover	1 handcuffs belly chains	1 no restraints	1 *** handcuffs (may be hand- cuffed behind back at officers discretion)	1 *** handcuffs belly chains (Restraints are to be used at transporting officer's discretion unless the inmate is transported for detention in holding area at O.U. Medical Center or Lindsay Hospitals) (Inmate may be handcuffed behind back at officer's discretion)

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- \*\* One officer may be used if only one inmate is to be transported.
- \*\*\* Applies to jail, detention at higher security, escorted leave for minimum security inmates or detention in holding area at O.U. Medical Center or Lindsay hospitals.

  Transportation to other destinations does not require restraints.
- \*\*\*\* A chase vehicle with an armed officer will be used when a death row inmate is transported outside the facility's perimeter.
- \*\*\*\*\*As approved by the chief of Operations, when moving the inmate from the holding cell to the execution table as outlined in OP-040301 entitled "Execution of Inmates Sentenced to Death," waist chain restraints (belly chain with separated handcuffs) will be used.

## ALL SECURITY LEVELS

Restraint requirements may be modified by the facility health service staff if the medical condition of the inmate is such that restraints are not necessary or would prove harmful.

Unless belly chains are utilized, all handcuffs should be secured behind the inmate's back.

Once it is determined by medical services that an inmate is pregnant, the inmate will be transported without restraints unless an "Authorization to Apply Restraints to a Pregnant Inmate" (DOC040111A) has been approved. This authorization is only for a specific transport/escort.

When three or more inmates are transported, the facility head or ranking probation and parole officer will determine the number of escorting officers required based on type of inmate, purpose of travel, and vehicle type. All inmates transported by the Central Transportation Unit will be transported as maximum-security level.

All inmates being transported to outside medical appointments at O.U. Medical Center and Lindsay Hospital will wear handcuffs, belly chains, leg irons, and handcuff covers if held in Oklahoma Department of Corrections' hospital holding areas, with the exception of pregnant inmates who will not be restrained unless an "Authorization to Apply Restraints to a Pregnant Inmate" form (DOC 040111A) has been approved.

The use of a belly chain with separated handcuffs may be used with approval from the chief of Operations.

The following additional types of restraints/protective equipment may be used in certain situations as determined by the facility head: 1) Nova Remotely Activated Custody Control Belt (RACC), 2) Spit net. No other type of restraints/protective equipment is authorized.

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