

Massachusetts Department of Correction

103 DOC 762

Inmate Haircut Fees

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MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION	DIVISION: ADMINISTRATION
TITLE: INMATE HAIRCUTS	NUMBER: 103 DOC 762

PURPOSE: To establish standards, specifications, and proper procedures for inmate haircut fees within the Massachusetts Department of Correction ("Department")

REFERENCES: M.G.L. c. 124, § 1 (c) and (r)

APPLICABILITY: Staff **PUBLIC ACCESS:** YES

LOCATION: Department Central Policy File
Each Institution's Policy File
Each Inmate Library

RESPONSIBLE: Staff For Implementation And Monitoring of Policy:

- Deputy Commissioner, Administrative Services Division
- Director of Administrative Services
- Superintendents

EFFECTIVE DATE: 02/16/2006

CANCELLATION DATE: 103 DOC 762.00 cancels all Departmental policies, procedures, Commissioner's bulletins and rules and regulations regarding inmate haircut fees which are inconsistent with this policy.

SEVERABILITY CLAUSE: If any part of 103 DOC 762.00 is, for any reason, held to be in excess of the authority of the commissioner, such decision shall not affect any other part of this policy.

762.01 Inmate Haircuts

1. Institutional barbering services shall be available to all inmates and comply with Department policy 103 DOC 750, Hygiene Standards and applicable health requirements pursuant to 232 CMR 2.00, Barber Regulations.
2. A fee of \$1.50 shall be assessed for each haircut, hairdo, or barbering services unless the mentioned hereinafter earned income exclusion applies. M.G.L. c. 124, § 1 (r), authorizes this deduction from an inmate account as provided in M. G.L. c. 127, § 48A, from earned funds. For the purpose of this policy, savings funds shall be used when no personal earned funds are available. The use of savings funds is contingent upon maintaining a balance of \$100.00 pursuant to 103 CMR 405.08 unless the lifer or sexually dangerous exclusion applies. If an inmate has no available earned funds, he or she shall not be charged \$1.50 for a haircut unless he or she voluntarily agrees to pay such sum from unearned funds by use of a charge slip. Institutions shall ascertain a limit or reasonable timeframe for unpaid barbering services so that same is not abused. Collected haircut fees are considered reimbursement of incurred costs and are returned to the Commonwealth as revenue.
3. Any hair care products needed for services and not routinely provided by the institution shall be the responsibility of the inmate and required to be purchased from the institutional canteen/commissary.
4. An inmate requesting barbering services shall complete a withdrawal request form and submit it to the Treasurer's office.
5. Institutions shall develop a procedure, i.e., list of inmates, to notify the barbering program of authorized participants.

762.02 Collection of Haircut Revenue

1. The haircut fees shall be delineated from the daily transactions and intra-funded into the institutional haircut revenue account.
2. On a monthly basis, a check shall be disbursed for the accrued haircut revenue and transferred to Department Central Headquarters.

3. Central Headquarters shall return the consolidated haircut revenue to the Commonwealth's General Fund. Said revenue shall be classified as revenue source 0500 and processed in accordance with State Comptroller's mandates.

762.03 Responsible Staff

The Director of Administrative Services, under the direction of the Deputy Commissioner for Administration, shall implement and monitor this policy throughout the Department.

Each Superintendent shall implement this policy at his/her institution and shall develop any necessary institution policies and procedures regarding inmate haircuts.