

## WASHTENAW COUNTY Office of the Sheriff



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## PROCEDURE TO OBTAIN CLEARANCE

All clergy, therapists, social workers, case managers, etc. must apply and receive approval to obtain Professional/religious visits with an inmate at the Washtenaw County Jail. **You must be approved prior to visitation.** All requests must be submitted to Myra Wilson, Correctional Services Specialist. Once you have received clearance, the <u>application must be renewed once a year in order to remain on the clearance list</u>. The clearance process may take 1-2 weeks.

## To obtain clearance, you must submit the following:

- Fill out the Washtenaw County Sheriff Department Volunteer Information Form completely (it must include your middle name).
- Attach a copy of your Driver's License, or State I.D.
- Attach a copy of proof of clergy such as: a copy of your clergy license, ordination papers, or, a copy of your page in The Official Catholic Directory.
  - Therapists, Social Workers, Case Managers, etc. must include a copy of Your professional license, or your work I.D. (if available). If not, then please supply a letter from your supervisor on department letterhead requesting your visit.
- If you are an acting clergy without a license, you must have a letter (on church stationary) from the pastor/overseer of your church stating that you have their permission to represent their church.
- Include the name of the inmate you would like to visit on the form.
- Have your supervisor or Department head sign off on the application to verify you need to enter the facility to visit your client(s) (exception: pastors and independent professionals).
- The oath form <u>must</u> be completed, signed and turned in with application, or visiting privileges will be denied.
- <u>Professional Visiting hours</u>: 7 days a week 8am-9pm.

Due to limited space, we ask that <u>clergy visits</u> are done between Mon.-Fri. - 5pm-9pm, or Sat-Sun. - 8am-9pm. However if space is available at the non specified time, clergy will not be turned away.

\*A professional visit with an inmate who is a relative, friend or acquaintance is <u>not</u> <u>permitted</u>. You must schedule a regular visit by calling the Visiting Officer @ 734-973-4363 between 11am -1pm. If you have further questions, or would like to check your clearance status, please contact Myra Wilson @ 973-4382, Monday- Friday; 8:30 am-4:30 pm.

## Submit these items directly to the jail by fax to: Myra Wilson, Pastoral Volunteers, (Fax:734-973-4389) (Phone:734-973-4382) WASHTENAW COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT Professional Visitor/Volunteer Information Form

Full Name:	. Sr. II, or III)
Street Address:	
Signature of your department head approving request (pleas	e print)• Gary Roche
Home Telephone:	Work Phone:
E-Mail Address:	<u></u>
The following information is needed for LEIN and CCH (Criminal Histo	ry Check)
Soc. Security No.: Driver's Lic.No.:	
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Read each section carefully; then sign your initials in the spaces provided to indicate acceptance and agreement.

**<u>Oath</u>**: I hereby affix my initials and signature below, to evidence my solemn legal oath to obey the provisions contained herein. I therefore petition the Sheriff for volunteer/visiting privileges to the Washtenaw County Jail. If granted this privilege I will not use my position as a volunteer to meet with or visit family, friends or acquaintances that are incarcerated in the County Jail. \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

**Distribute No Articles:** I shall not distribute anything to anyone in the jail unless approved by the jail security staff. This includes bibles, rosaries, religious articles, paper, pens, food, or anything else. Written prior approval can be granted by Sheriff Administration. In addition, I will not accept telephone numbers from the inmates to make any calls for them. \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

<u>Arrest for Failure to Disclose:</u> I understand to keep secret any plans to escape or to harm an individual, shall result in my arrest and being charged with aiding and abetting a criminal act or conspiracy. \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

**No Media Statements:** I shall not make statements to the news media concerning the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, or any inmate herein. I shall not make any photographic, vocal, or video recordings of any person at the jail, without the specific approval of the Sheriff's public information director. \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

**Follow the Rules:** I shall obey the verbal and written directives of the Sheriff, his employees, and the guidelines of the Jail Ministry. I shall not attempt to use threats, intimidations, or spread adverse rumors to use as leverage to change the Sheriff Department or the Jail Ministry's decisions concerning my visiting status.

<u>Chain of Command:</u> I shall use the following steps to resolve problems. <u>Step 1</u>-through the Chaplain's office; <u>Step 2</u>-through the Correctional Services Director; <u>Step 3</u>- through the Jail Lieutenant for final resolution. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(initials)

 Signature:
 Date: