

Lowndes County Sheriff's Office

Inmate Mail Rules

Effective July 1, 2017

All incoming and outgoing mail to inmates, with the exception of legal mail, must be pre-stamped or metered form postcards. This change is being implemented to ensure the safety and security of the jail facility, inmates and staff.

Acceptable POSTCARDS - NO LETTERS WILL BE ACCEPTED

- Stamps are NOT allowed, postcards must be metered or have a pre-printed stamp.
- Must be addressed to: Inmates full name and Dorm number, Facility name and address
- Minimum size requirements are 3.5 inches by 4.25 inches.
- Maximum allowable postcard size is 4.25 inches by 6 inches.
- Should be written in BLUE or BLACK INK ONLY. NO markers, felt tip pens or highlighters allowed.
- Postcards must be white in color and are available at any United States Post Office.

Unacceptable Postcards

- Defaced or altered Postcards.
- No plastic or wrappings on Postcards.
- Postcards marked with paint, crayons or markers.
- Postcards with labels or stickers.
- Postcards with watermarks or stains.
- Postcards with any biohazards, including perfumes or lipstick.
- Postcards depicting nudity, weapons or gang references.
- Postcards containing an affixed stamp.

Legal mail- Will be checked in front of inmate for contraband and must be in official envelopes.

Any envelope containing additional correspondence will be returned to sender.

PHOTOGRAPHS -NO POLAROID PICTURES!

- Up to four photographs may be mailed to the jail, after an inmate has been incarcerated for a minimum of 30 days, provided the envelope is clearly marked PHOTOGRAPHS. There may not be any other thing in the envelope except for pictures. Every 90 days four more photos may be sent to the inmate.
- Photos may NOT be larger than 4 inches by 6 inches.
- The inmate name, ID number and dorm number must be written on the back of the photograph, in ink ONLY. Nothing else is to be written on the photographs.
- Photographs must be unaltered, they may NOT contain any adhesives, such as stickers or labels
- Photographs must not depict sexual activity, visibly exposed breast/cleavage, private area or buttocks. Everyone in the photograph(s) must be fully clothed.
- Photographs containing gang signs, codes, or promoting/showing illegal activity are NOT allowed.
- Envelopes containing additional inmate correspondence will be returned to the sender.

Books

- Books are available from Bookstore or Publisher only. Books must be soft back, 3 per inmate, during your **ENTIRE STAY** while at Lowndes County Jail, no gang influenced or referenced material, no nudity.
- Religious correspondence is permitted. It must be mailed directly from the distributor.

POSTCARDS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE THROUGH THE COMMISSARY.

The address is as follows:

INMATES FULL NAME & DORM NUMBER
c/o Lowndes County Sheriff's Office
120 Prison Farm Rd.
Valdosta, GA. 31601