

Jail Frequently Asked Questions

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DO NOT REPORT TO SERVE YOUR SENTENCE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS OR ALCOHOL. IF YOU DO SO, THE COURT WILL BE NOTIFIED AND THE TIME OF YOUR SENTENCE WILL NOT START UNTIL YOU ARE DEEMED SOBER BY SMC JAIL PERSONNEL.

EFFECTIVE 7/1/07, ALL PERSONS SENTENCED TO THE SAN MIGUEL COUNTY JAIL FOR CRIMES AS SPECIFIED IN 16-11-102.4 WILL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TO DNA COLLECTION.

EFFECTIVE 9/30/10, ALL PERSONS ARRESTED ON FELONY CHARGES ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TO DNA COLLECTION. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN DENIAL OF BOND.

What am I allowed to bring with me when I am sentenced to serve time at the SMC Jail?

You are allowed to bring in the following: sentencing paperwork, identification, money and clothing items specified below. You must bring any court paperwork as well as any court ordered or sheriff's office jail fees (cash only). The San Miguel County Jail requires a \$30.00 booking fee for all sentenced inmates. A valid identification is required. You may also bring cash to purchase items from our commissary (food products, personal hygiene items, etc). Please note that Inmates housed in our facility are required to purchase their own personal hygiene items. Inmates are only allowed to bring in **white** underwear, socks and t-shirts. Please leave all valuables at home, including purses, wallets and backpacks.

Can I bring medications to jail when I serve my sentence?

Any person who has questions about medications must contact a jail supervisor reference these questions prior to reporting for their sentence. Failure to do so may result in a delay in obtaining medications.

Can I bring books to read while I'm serving my sentence?

No, you may not bring any books or other reading materials with you. The only books that are allowed into the facility must come directly from the publisher and be addressed to the inmate. Inmates serving extended sentences must make arrangements for these to be picked up at the time of release, however, staff may

require excess materials be picked up prior to release. Inmates may donate these materials to the SMC Jail library.

How do I visit with someone in jail?

Jail visitations are 2pm to 5pm Sundays only. Please note you must be on the inmate's visitation list prior to arrival to the jail. You must provide valid photo identification and fill out a visitation form. Visitation may be cancelled at any time without prior notice to visitors and/or inmates.

How do I send mail to someone in jail?

Please note, all incoming mail is opened and inspected for security reasons. Address as follows:

Inmate's Name SMC Jail
684 CR 63L Road
Telluride, CO 81435

Can I drop a note/letter off at the Sheriff's Office for an inmate?

Yes, you may; however, the same rules apply as if you were mailing the letter. You must have all correspondence in an envelope, along your return address and addressed as above.

How do I bond a person out of jail ?

There are two ways to bond a person out of jail:

1. If you have cash in the amount of the bond, you can bring it to the Sheriff's Office and post the bond yourself. You will be required to provide picture identification. A deputy will assist you in filling out the bond forms. Your money will not be returned until after the person bonded appears in court, and the judge releases the bond. When the bond is released, a check will be mailed to you from the court.
2. You can contact a bondsman licensed in Colorado and they can post the bond. A bondsman will charge a percentage of the bond (generally 15%) and require some type of collateral. You must contact the bondsman directly for their rates and requirements.

For further information or questions you may have that are not addressed here, please contact a jail supervisor.

For a complete look at the inmate handbook click [here](#).