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J 00	Initial Comments  Charles Brown and Chris Wood conducted the inspection. Charles Brown was the lead inspector.  This biannual jail inspection was conducted as per 10A NCAC 14J JAILS, LOCAL CONFINEMENT FACILITIES Rules. This building was approved for use in 1994 under North Carolina State Building Code 1991 Edition with an occupancy classification of Group I-3. The jail design capacity is 1642 male beds and 262 female beds with a total design capacity of 1904 beds. The inspection began at 8:45 am and ended at 1:15 pm. On the day of the inspection the weather was cold . Mecklenburg County Jail Chief Telsia White and Sergeant Michael Angello were present to discuss paperwork and toured the facility with the inspector.	J 00		
J 04	10A NCAC 14J .0103 (b) Applicability-Construction  (b) An existing jail I and II shall meet the requirements of the North Carolina State Building Codes in effect at the time of construction, addition, alteration, or repair.  History Note: Authority G.S. 153A 221; Eff. June 1, 1990; Readopted Eff. September 4, 2020.  This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the fire alarm system is not fully operational as required by this Rule.  Findings include: The fire alarm panel is not displaying normal operation. A fault code is indicating a trouble condition on the fire alarm	J 04		

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J 04	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>panel.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Tamper #46 switch showing fault code.</li> <li>2. Smoke detector for Elevator Equipment showing fault code.</li> </ol> <p>Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the sprinkler sysytem is not fully operational as required by this Rule.</p> <p>Findings Include: At the time of the inspection and test of the Sprinkler System by a 3rd party vendor on 3/23/2021, the Sprinkler System Report indicated numerous deficiencies with the system.</p> <p>*The sprinkler system must be brought into compliance with the rule as soon as possible.</p> <p>Based on observation on 12/21/2021, the fire-fighter's smoke control panel was not in compliance with this Rule.</p> <p>The fire fighter's control panel for North Tower of the building was not displaying normal operation. It has been determined that this life safety code deficiency at your jail creates a condition that jeopardizes the safety of staff and inmates.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The fire fighter's control panel was not displaying normal operation. The AHU 1, AHU 5, AHU 6, AHU 7, and AHU 10, exhaust dampers were displaying a fault code on the fire-fighter's smoke control panel.</li> <li>2. The fire fighter's control panel was not displaying normal operation. The Pod 9 Station exhaust dampers were displaying a fault code on the fire-fighter's smoke control panel.</li> </ol> <p>* The fire fighters smoke control system must be brought into compliance with the rule as soon as possible.</p>	J 04		

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J 04	Continued From page 2  Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the facility was not in compliance with this Rule.  The Emergency generator A panel was showing a fault code. Finding Include: 1.The generator was showing trouble alarm and the auto switch was in the off position. 2. The generator was showing trouble alarm due low coolant level.  Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the lighting system was not providing adequate illumination in the confinement areas as required by this Rule.  Findings include: Various light fixtures throughout the facility were found inoperable and/or some of the bulbs in individual fixtures were inoperable.  Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the clothes dryers filter area was not in compliance with Rule.  Findings include: The clothes dryer had excessive lint build up in the filter and combustion areas.	J 04		
J 37	10A NCAC 14J .0601 (b) Supervision  (b) A jail shall utilize one or more supplemental methods of supervision 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The supplemental methods of supervision are: (1) direct two way voice communication; (2) remote two-way voice communication;	J 37		

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J 37	Continued From page 3  (3) direct visual observation; and (4) video surveillance.  History Note: Authority G.S. 153A 221; Eff. October 1, 1990; Amended Eff. June 1, 1992; Readopted Eff. September 4, 2020.  This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the facility was not in compliance with this Rule.  Findings Include: Pod 3700: Camera by outside hallway was not working.	J 37		
J 44	10A NCAC 14J .0701 Sanitation  Each jail shall comply with the North Carolina Commission for Public Health rules governing sanitation as codified in Title 15A Chapter 18A Section .1500 and which are hereby adopted by reference pursuant to G.S. 150B 14(c).  History Note: Authority G.S. 153A 221; Eff. June 1, 1990; Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 5, 2016.  This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on records review on the morning of 12/21/2021, the floors in several areas were not in compliance with the following Rule: 15A NCAC 18A .1507 FLOORS (a) All floors shall be so constructed as to be easily cleanable and shall be kept clean and in good repair.	J 44		

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J 44	<p>Continued From page 4</p> <p>Findings include: Based on records review of the Inspection of Local Confinement Facility Report conducted on 7/16/2021, by the Mecklenburg County Health Department it was noted that the floors in several areas were not in compliance with the following Rule: 15A NCAC 18A .1507 FLOORS: (a) All floors shall be so constructed as to be easily cleanable and shall be kept clean and in good repair. (b) In all areas in which water is routinely discharged to the floor, or in which the floors are subjected to flooding-type cleaning, floors shall be of nonabsorbent materials, shall be sloped to drain and be provided with floor drains.</p> <p>Findings include: 1. Pod 1700: The grout floor in need of repair in the shower area. 2. Pod 3100: The grout floor in need of repair in the shower area.</p> <p>Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the facility was not in compliance with the following Rule: 15A NCAC 18A .1515 VERMIN CONTROL: PREMISES (a) Effective measures shall be taken to keep flies, rodents, and other vermin out of the local confinement facility and to prevent their breeding or presence on the premises. (b) The premises under control of the custodian shall be kept neat, clean, and free of litter. (c) Unless flies and other flying insects are absent from the immediate vicinity of the local confinement facility, all openings to the outer air shall be effectively protected against entrance of such insects by self-closing doors, closed windows, 16-mesh or finer screening, or other</p>	J 44		

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J 44	<p>Continued From page 5</p> <p>effective means. (d) Only those pesticides shall be used which have been approved for a specific use and properly registered with the Environmental Protection Agency and with the North Carolina Department of Agriculture in accordance with the "Federal Environmental Pesticide Control Act" and the "North Carolina Pesticide Law."</p> <p>Findings include: Pod 3500: Fruit flies were noted in shower area.</p> <p>Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the facility is not in compliance with sanitation rule 15A NCAC 18A .1509 LIGHTING AND VENTILATION (a) All rooms shall be well lighted by natural or artificial means. (b) Ventilation shall be provided and installed as required by the North Carolina State Building Code. (c) Ventilation equipment shall be kept clean and in good repair.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Kitchen: 1. The HVAC vents in the kitchen were dirty, especially in the kitchen above the food prep table area.</p> <p>Pods: 1. Pod 5800: HVAC vents were dirty. 2. Pod 1700: HVAC vents were dirty. 3. Pod 1900: HVAC vents were dirty. 4. Pod 3200: HVAC vents were dirty. 5. Pod 6300: HVAC vents were dirty. 6. Pod 3600 DD Max: HVAC vents were dirty. 7. HVAC vents were blocked with toilet paper throughout the facility.</p>	J 44		

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J 44	Continued From page 6  Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the ceilings in several areas were not in compliance with the following Rule: 15A NCAC 18A .1508 WALLS AND CEILINGS (a) The walls and ceilings of all rooms and areas shall be kept clean and in good repair.  Findings include: 1. Pod 1700: Paint peeling from walls.  Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the facility is not in compliance with sanitation rule 15A NCAC 18A .1510 TOILET, HANDWASHING AND BATHING FACILITIES: (a) Each cell shall be provided with access to toilet and handwashing facilities, and soap and individual towels shall be provided. The fixtures shall be kept clean and in good repair. (b) Each cell block or section shall be provided with bathing facilities which shall be easily cleanable and shall be kept clean.  Findings include: 1. Pod 4700: Shower ceiling was damaged. 2. Pod 5700: Shower ceiling was damaged. 3. Pod 6300: Upper Shower ceiling was damaged. 4. Pod 5800: Showers were dirty. 5. Pod 3500: Showers were dirty.	J 44		
J140	10A NCAC 14J .1215 (f) Doors, Bunks, Locks, and Fasteners  (f) Food passes in doors, if used, shall have openings large enough to permit the passage of a food tray.	J140		

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J140	<p>Continued From page 7</p> <p>History Note: Authority G.S. 153A 221; Eff. June 1, 1990; Readopted Eff. September 4, 2020.</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation on the morning of 12/21/2021, the facility was not in compliance with this Rule.</p> <p>Findings include: Pod 5625 DD Max: 1. Segregation Cell 1: The food passage door was damaged. 2. Segregation Cell 2: The food passage door was damaged.</p>	J140		