



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION



## DIRECTIVE

[ ] NEW [ ] INTERIM [X] REVISED			SUBJECT		
EFFECTIVE DATE <b>06/30/09</b>		*TERMINATION DATE / /		<b>MUSLIM OILS</b>	
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### I. PURPOSE

This Directive is promulgated to set forth Department policy and procedures regarding the use of Muslim Oils by Muslim inmates.

### II. POLICY

The Department shall provide Muslim Oil to Muslim inmates on a discretionary basis.

### III. DEFINITION

Muslim Oil: Oil that is anointed prior to a Muslim Juma (Jumah) Service; significant for traditional religious beliefs of the Muslim community; fragrant oil; general market commodity.

Note: The dispensing of oils is not part of the religious service.

### IV. PROCEDURES

A. Muslim Oil shall only be dispensed:

1. by a Department Imam (Chaplain) or a non-inmate Volunteer Imam; and,
2. prior to a Muslim Juma (Jumah) Service; and,
3. to a Muslim inmate; and,
4. only in an amount necessary for the individual to anoint himself / herself (no excessive amounts will be allowed); and,
5. in a designated area in the facility.

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#### IV. PROCEDURES (cont.)

- B. Inmates shall not be permitted to have Muslim Oils as part of their personal possessions, nor shall they be permitted to receive Muslim Oils from visitors or through incoming packages.
- C. The Deputy Warden for Programs or his / her designee shall ensure that the provisions contained herein are complied with. In addition, security concerns shall be reviewed with the Deputy Warden for Security or his / her designee whenever necessary.

#### V. REFERENCES\*

- A. Directive #3251, entitled FACILITY RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES, dated 08/26/82.
- B. Directive #3252, entitled CONGREGATE RELIGIOUS SERVICES, dated 04/19/85 (as amended).

\* In the event that a reference is superseded, the successor document shall apply.

#### VI. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Commanding Officers of facilities shall promulgate command level orders containing the information delineated in this policy.