

CHAPTER XII

INMATE ACCOUNTS

I. GENERAL

All MDOC institutions/facilities operate on a cashless accounting system according to MDOC Policy. It is unlawful for any inmate housed at one of these facilities to have coin, currency, money orders, traveler's checks, promissory notes, credit cards, personal checks, or other negotiable instruments on their person or in the premises assigned to them or under their control.

Any money possessed by an inmate will be confiscated and deposited in a special fund in the State Treasury. These funds may then be appropriated by the Legislature to enhance the security of MDOC facilities.

Inmates housed in Community Work Centers are allowed to have no more than \$20.00 in their possession, with no bill being larger than a \$5.00 bill.

II. RECEIPT OF FUNDS THROUGH THE MAIL

Inmates may receive money from outside sources to be credited to their inmate account. Monies must be in the form of a direct deposit using CyberSuite Correctional Services or Western Union Quick Collect. Other funds accepted are pension and retirement checks or any other funds approved by the Director of Inmate Accounts. Neither cash nor any other type of monies will be accepted. If correspondence is included the entire letter will be returned to sender. **The inmate's name and number must be listed on the check.**

All pension or retirement checks or any other funds approved by the Director of Inmate Accounts should be sent to the Central Office Inmate Accounts Department at the address indicated below.

**Mississippi Department of Corrections
Inmate Accounts
P.O. Box 544
Jackson, Mississippi 39205-0544**

(Inmates housed at facilities not directly operated by MDOC should refer to the handbook issued by that facility for proper procedures on sending and receiving money.)

III. FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

Financial transactions are not permitted between inmates.

Inmates may send money to outside sources if the appropriate documents are completed and approved by the Corrections Investigation Division, with no more than one transaction allowed per month. Inmates must include a stamped self-addressed envelope with the request.

Community Corrections Directors are responsible for establishing procedures to provide that inmates pay for program services rendered at a reasonable rate as determined by the authority having jurisdiction.