

Pickens County Detention Facility Mail Services

It is the policy of the Pickens County Sheriff's Office to allow written communications between persons incarcerated in the Pickens County Detention Facility and their families, friends, and attorneys.

How to Mail a Letter to an Inmate

- Mail must be addressed as follows:

(Inmate's Name)
Pickens County Detention Facility
P.O. Box 226
Carrollton, Alabama 35447

- Incoming mail must have a return name and address.

Inmate Mail

- Inmates may mail as many letters as they wish as long as they pay for the postage.
- Inmates may purchase stamped envelopes through the commissary system.
- Incoming Mail is opened and inspected for contraband and any written content that might threaten security. Outgoing mail is usually opened before it is sent. HOWEVER, the Detention Facility staff may inspect all outgoing mail, when necessary to protect security.
- Anything mailed to an inmate that is not allowed in the Detention Facility, will be returned to sender.
- Incoming mail will be given to the inmate within 24 hours after it is received and inspected, excluding holidays and weekends.
- The use of the mail system is an inmate's privilege and not a right. Staff may limit access to mail if he or she deems it necessary to maintain security.

Contraband

Please note that mail found to have contraband or other material not accepted is as follows, and will be rejected:

- Material that depicts, describes, or encourages activities that could lead to physical violence or group disruption including materials dealing with subjects of self-defense, survival, weaponry, armaments, explosives, or incendiary devices.
- Information regarding plans to escape, commit illegal activities, or to violate Pickens County Detention Facility Rules.
- Information regarding the production of drugs or alcohol.
- Sexually explicit materials.
- Threats, Extortion, Obscenity, or Gratuitous Profanity.
- Anything of Monetary Value other than a Money Order. (No Cash or Checks allowed).
- No Copied Material
- No Items from the Internet

- Standard Holiday Cards No Larger than 6x8 are allowed
- No Plastic Material. Nothing that can be removed or lifted from received item, including stickers.
- No Newspaper or Magazine Clippings, Articles, etc.
- No Calendars
- No Books (pamphlets, literature, etc. Must be bought from jail store or approved).
- No Loud Perfume / Cologne / Lipstick / Lip Kisses
- Only 3 pictures (4 x 6 or smaller) are allowed
 - No Nude or Obscene Photos
 - No Swimsuits, Lingerie, or Under Wear in Photos
 - No Ultrasound Cards or Polaroid's
 - No Alcohol or Weapons in Photos
- Other contraband including stamps, envelopes, writing paper, or any other item that can be purchased off the store.
- Any correspondence between inmates in this facility or another Correctional Facility is not allowed.
- No Colored Envelopes