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### OOS INFORMATION BULLETIN

**SUBJECT:** Electronic Devices with Communication, Recording, and/or  
Internet Capabilities - Contraband

More and more devices and accessories are now able to connect to the Internet and local networks. These devices are embedded with internet connectivity, sensors, and other hardware that allow communication and control via the web.

All of these devices and accessories are considered contraband as stated in

[OPS.110.0033 – Entry and Exit Procedures](#) and [OPS.220.0004 Inmate Personal Property](#).

DPSCS employees, visitors, contractors, and incarcerated individuals are prohibited from bringing the following items into a correctional facility:

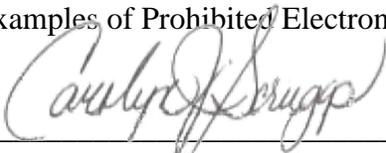
- Computers, mobile devices, tablets, mobile hotspots, and flash drives;
- Cellular or GPS cell phones;
- Wearable devices such as smartwatches, fitness trackers, smart glasses, and smart jewelry; and
- Accessories such as smart speakers (e.g. Alexa, Google Nest), smart alarms, smart TVs, fitness mirrors, smart lamps, smart locks, and robots.

Many of these devices and accessories can be difficult to detect and have the potential to impact the safety and security of employees, incarcerated individuals, and the facility itself. As we develop new methods of detection and training on this issue, employees conducting searches should take

time to ensure that personal jewelry, accessories, and medical equipment do not have Internet capability, or contain cameras or other recording devices that can be connected to the Internet or a local network.

This information should be relayed during roll call for the next 10 days.

Appendix A: Examples of Prohibited Electronic Smart Devices

Approved:  \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 9/17/2025  
Carolyn J. Scruggs, Secretary

Distribution:

A – Facility/Agency Reference Set

S – Managing Official and Executive Correctional Staff

## Examples of Prohibited Electronic Smart Devices

Smart Glasses:



Smart watches:



Oura Ring:



Ivy Bracelet:



Whoop bracelet:

