



**MINISTRY OF JUSTICE
GENERAL DIRECTORATE „EXECUTION OF SENTENCES”**

**INSTRUCTIONS
FOR CONDUCTING VISITS OF INMATES/DETAINEES DUE TO RELIEF
OF THE
ANTI-EPIDEMIC MEASURES**

Dear colleagues,

Please find below up to date information about prison visits within the General Directorate „Execution of Sentences“ in Bulgaria:

1. The heads of the territorial services to establish an organization for control of the entrance of the prison / arrest regarding:
 - The number of entrants in order to prevent crowding;
 - Observing a physical distance between them of at least 1.5 m;
2. Only persons with a protective face mask or other means covering the nose and mouth (including a towel, scarf, helmet) should be allowed in the prison/detention centre;
3. For each visitor of the prison / detention centre there will be:
 - Obligatory thermometry;
 - provided hand sanitizer;
4. Before and after each visit, the premises should be disinfected.
5. In the visiting rooms the physical distance between the persons of at least 1.5 m and frequent and regular air ventilation will be observed.
6. Information boards in a visible places or other methods will be used to inform the visitors of the prison/detention centre about:
 - The obligatory observance of a physical distance of 1.5 m;
 - Wearing a protective face mask or other means covering the nose and mouth (including a towel, scarf, helmet);
 - The need for thermometry;
 - Mandatory disinfection of the ridges at the entrance to the prison.
7. The heads of the territorial services to review and update the schedules for visits of the prisoners / detainees, with the possibility to hold them during the week in order to prevent the accumulation of many visitors and the observance of distance.
8. Meetings of prisoners/detainees with their relatives via “Skype” videoconferences will be preceded.