

Allowable Items-Offender Religious Property Communal Use/Restricted Access

Offenders are not allowed to keep the following items in their housing area. Religious property will only be used in accordance with the verifiable religious practice. The faith groups listed with each item are examples of the faiths that use the item and are not intended to exclude the use of these items by other faiths not listed. Since the Department of Corrections maintains a neutral position relative to all religious beliefs, this list does not reflect an endorsement, recognition or approval of any religious faith. For the purposes of this document, faith groups have been categorized according to similar practices in the following manner:

- “Christianity” refers to all faiths that observe Christian practices. This includes Catholic, Protestant, and Orthodox faith groups.
- “Islam” refers to all faiths that observe Muslim practices. This includes Muslim and Nation of Islam.
- “Judaism” refers to all faiths that observe Jewish practices. This includes Jewish, Messianic, House of Yahweh United Church of God and Living Church of God.
- “Native American” refers to all American Indian tribes and Alaska Natives.
- “Pagan” refers to all faiths that observe ancient European or Germanic pagan practices. This includes: Asatru, Druid, New Age, Neo-Pagan, Odinism and Wicca.

Item	Quantity	Description/Comments
Candles	9	Wax or paraffin, used only under the supervision of a staff member or volunteer. (Christianity, Judaism, Left-Hand Path, Pagan)
Cedar	1	Bundle, no larger than 6 oz. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Native American)
Ceremonial Bowl	1	Wooden, plastic or ceramic only. No larger than 8” in diameter. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Pagan)
Ceremonial Drum	1	No larger than 36" x 48" in diameter. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Native American, Pagan)

Item	Quantity	Description/Comments
Ceremonial Pipe	1	Not to exceed 24". Must be originally made for the purpose of religious worship. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Native American)
Ceremonial Kinnick-Kinnick	1	Bundle, no larger than 6 oz. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. The Ceremonial Kinnick-Kinnick shall not contain more than five-percent (5%) tobacco by weight. (Native American)
Evergreen Sprig	1	May be used during religious ceremonies or activities only. To be used and stored in designated area. (Pagan)
Fez	1	May be used or worn during religious ceremonies or activities only. To be used and stored in designated area. (Moorish Science)
Herbs/Spices	1	Bundle, no larger than 6 oz. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Native American, Pagan)
Incense	1	Bundle, no larger than 6 oz. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Buddhism, Left-Hand Path, Pagan)
Incense Burner	1	Ceramic. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Buddhism, Left-Hand Path, Pagan)
Oath Ring	1	No larger than 9" in diameter. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Pagan)
Perfumes/Oils	1	Plastic bottle/vial, no larger than 1 ounce, owned by offender. Only to be used during religious services and stored in designated area for worship and storage. May not be stored in an offender cell or living area. Fragrances must be approved by the facility

chaplain or religious services coordinator.
(Christian, Islam, Pagan)

Item	Quantity	Description/Comments
Shofar(Rams Horn) Sumbel (Cows Horn)	1	To be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Judaism, Pagan)
Sage	1	Bundle, no larger than 6 oz. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Native American)
Shell	1	To be used for smudging. May be no longer than 8" in diameter and 4" deep. (Native American)
Sweet grass	1	Bundle, no larger than 6 oz. Only to be used and stored in designated area for worship and storage. (Native American)
Sukkah (booth)	1	Used during Sukkot/Feast of Tabernacles. (Judaism)