

LETTER TO PUBLISHER

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To the Publisher:

This letter is to advise you that the following issue(s) of publication(s) sent to an inmate of the North Carolina Department of Correction, Division of Prisons, has been disapproved for delivery to the inmate.

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This action was taken for the following reasons: code I

These issues contain material which violates North Carolina Division of Prisons policy D.0100, Publications Received/Possessed by Inmates. This material could be detrimental to the security and good order of the prison facility and the rehabilitation of inmates and is disapproved for the reason(s) indicated. The numbers for those pages which were reviewed on which violations were found are listed above with the issues containing them. **Please note the pages listed may not be the only pages in the material that violate North Carolina Division of Prisons policy; however, any violation is grounds for disapproval of the entire publication.**

You may obtain an independent review of this decision by writing within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this letter to the Assistant Director of Support Services, North Carolina Department of Correction, Division of Prisons, 4260 MSC, Raleigh, NC 27699-4260.

Sincerely,

Printed Name: Fay Lassiter

Title: Chair, Publication Review Committee

Signature:



cc: Assistant Director of Support Services
Publication Review Committee File

<p>Reason .0109 I</p>	<p>Materials which are used or which reasonably appear likely to be used to intimidate or sexually harass facility staff or visitors. Page Number(s): <u>8</u> Reason for Disapproval: <u>depicts correctional staff in a negative manner</u></p>
<p>Reason .0109 J</p>	<p>Material which is written for or supports the activities of a validated Security Threat Group; or material which in any way supports, incites, promotes, encourages or advocates any type of gang activity by pictorials or writings or sign gang language or insignia. Sign gang language alone, in isolation of other material that supports, incites, promotes, encourages, or advocates any type of gang activity, should not be cause for rejection. Page Number(s): _____ Reason for Disapproval: _____</p>
<p>Reason .0109 K</p>	<p>Sexually explicit material which by its nature or content poses a threat to the security, good order, or discipline of the institution, or facilitates criminal activity. Sexually explicit materials are defined as pictorial depictions of sex acts involving any person of any age, or written depictions of sex acts involving violence, sadomasochism, sex with animals, or sex with any person who is under age 18, (or, if the person's age is not stated in the text, who could reasonably be thought to be under age 18). The term sex acts means actual or simulated sexual acts, including sexual intercourse, oral sex, or masturbation. In addition, pictorial materials which depict exposed, full frontal view of uncovered human genitalia, exposed genitalia from the rear or the female breast are specifically deemed to be a threat to institutional order, security and safety and a threat to inmate rehabilitation and are prohibited. This prohibition shall not apply to patently medical, artistic, anthropological or educational commercial publications including but not limited to <i>National Geographic</i>, works of art displayed in public galleries, i.e., Art News, anatomy texts or comparable materials. Page Number(s): _____ Reason for Disapproval: _____</p>
<p>Reason .0109 L</p>	<p>Items or materials which can be used for the improper purpose of establishing personal information about a staff member, victim or any other citizen. This prohibition includes but is not limited to a drivers license, drivers license records check, property title or deed, tax listing information, social security card, birth certificate, passport, military discharge papers, personal financial documents such as credit cards, checkbooks or similar items. Items sent to aid an inmate who is being prepared legitimate transition to the community are received and maintained for the inmate in a secure location until the inmate is released. Page Numbers(s): _____ Reason for Disapproval: _____</p>
<p>Reason .0109 M</p>	<p>Hardbound publications (other than legal or religious publications) that are larger than "8 1/2 x 11" or more than 2 inches thick are not allowed. However, large softbound publications (such as ESPN Magazine and The Sporting News) are allowed. Hardbound legal or religious publications larger than "8 1/2 x 11" or more than 2 inches thick are allowed unless the facility head identifies a specific security threat or storage issue caused by the inmate's possession of the publication. Facility Head's Reason(s) for Disallowance: _____</p>
<p>Reason .0109 N</p>	<p>Hardbound publications (other than legal or religious publications) and all spiral-bound publications are not allowed if addressed to an inmate who is assigned to H-con, M-con, I-con, or Disciplinary Segregation. However, inmates who are assigned to H-con, M-Con, I-con, or Disciplinary Segregation may posses in their cells hardbound (but not spiral-bound) legal or religious publications (including legal or religious publications larger than "8 1/2 x 11" or more than 2 inches thick) unless the facility head identifies a specific security threat or storage issue caused by the inmate's possession of the publication. Facility Head's Reason(s) for Disallowance: _____</p>