# MAINE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS ALLOWABLE GROUP RELIGIOUS ITEMS

Unless otherwise noted below, when not in use, all allowable group ceremonial items must be stored in the faith group's locker or other location, as required by the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee. Each faith group may also store allowable religious publications, including religious calendars, religious audio CDs, and religious DVDs in its locker or other location, as required by the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee.

Note: The maximum allowed value of any item (excluding religious journals, religious publications, including religious calendars, religious audio CDs, and religious DVDs) is eighty dollars (\$80.00).

#### **Buddhism**

Bel1

Incense holder and incense

Mala beads (on approved breakaway string only)

Mindful Mantra flags

Religious symbol to be placed on the wall when the group ceremony takes place

Silk flowers

Small wooden bowl

Statue of Buddha (not metal or glass, max. 8" high)

Tablecloth

Tea candle holders and candles (max. 10)

### Christianity

Altar (as approved)

Altar linens and cloths (max. 2' by 2')

Baptismal items

Candle holder and candles (max. 10)

Chalice and paten (plate)

Grape juice (approved quantity) and paper cups for communion

Hosts for communion

Incense holder and incense

Religious statues (not metal or glass) (max. 2, max. 24" high) to be placed by the altar when the group ceremony takes place

Religious symbol to be placed on the wall when the group ceremony takes place

Sacred oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only)

Wine (1 ounce, to be brought in by priest and consumed by priest)

## Hinduism

Bowl

Candle holder and candles (max. 10)

Conch shell (max. 3")

Incense holder and incense sticks (max. 2)

Group prayer rug (max. 6' x 8', approved design only)

Plate

Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only)

Religious symbol to be placed on the wall when the group ceremony takes place

Rice (approved quantity)

Statue of Hindu god/goddess (not metal or glass) (max. 8" high) or picture in stand (no glass) (max. 2 statues or pictures total)

White clothing (may not obscure the resident's face) (during ceremony only and stored in group locker)

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#### Islam

Group prayer rug (max. 6' x 8', approved design only)

Incense holder and incense

Individual prayer rugs (max. 4' x 6', approved design only)

Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only) Religious symbol to be placed on the wall when the group ceremony takes place

#### Jehovah's Witness

None

#### Judaism

Sabbath candle holder and candles (max. 2)

Hanukkah menorah (candle holder) and box of Hanukkah candles

Religious symbol to be placed on the wall when the group ceremony takes place

Shofar (ram's horn) (max. 20")

## **Latter Day Saints**

None

#### **Nation of Islam**

Group prayer rug (max. 6' x 8', approved design only)

Incense holder and incense

Individual prayer rugs (max. 4' x 6', approved design only)

Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only) Religious symbol to be placed on the wall when the group ceremony takes place

#### **Native American**

Bear root

Cedar

Cloth shield

Drums (max. 2) and drumsticks (max. 18")

Feathers (if eagle feather, requires Federal Government documentation)

Flag root

Flute

Individual prayer blankets (max. 60" and 80", approved design only)

Religious symbol to be placed on the wall when the group ceremony takes place

Sacred pipe

Sage

Smudge bowl

Sweet grass

Talking stick (max. 18")

Tobacco (approved amount, to be brought in by tribal elder and any excess to be taken out by tribal elder)

Tribal attire (may not obscure the resident's face) (during ceremony only and stored in group locker)

Turtle rattle (max. 18")

#### Odinism

Altar (as approved)

Altar cloth (max. 2' by 2')

Bowl

Candle holders and candles (maximum 10)

**Cloth Banners** 

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Crackers (approved quantity)

Cups (two)

Grape juice (approved quantity)

Incense holder with sand and incense sticks (max. 2)

Individual prayer blankets (max. 60" and 80", approved design only)

Mead horn (bone) (max. 12")

Pentagrams and pentacles

Plate

Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only)

Religious symbol to be placed on wall when group ceremony takes place

Rune cards

Runic wand (max. 20")

Salt and small shell (max. 3")

Set of runes

Shrouds (may not obscure the resident's face) (during ceremony only and stored in group locker)

Speaking staff (max. 12")

Statue of Odin (not metal or glass) (max. 14" high)

Thor's Hammer (max. 12")

### **Pagan**

Altar (as approved)

Altar cloth

Bel1

Besom (broom) (max. 36")

Candle holders and candles (max. 10)

Cardboard Athame

Cardboard moon quarter designations

Chalice

Cloth banners

Crackers Cups (two)

Gavel (max. 12")

Grape juice (approved quantity)

Incense holder with sand and incense sticks (max. 2)

Pagan wheel, paper

Plate

Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only) Religious symbol to be placed on the wall when the group ceremony takes place

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Robes (may not obscure the resident's face) (during ceremony only and stored in group locker)

Salt and small shell (max. 3")

Speaking staff (max. 12")

**Tarot Cards** 

Vord (half-horse/half-man statue) (not metal or glass) (max. 8" high)

Wand (max. 20")

#### Santeria

Altar (as approved)

Altar cloth (2' x 2')

Candles (max. 5)

Cowrie shells (max. 4, max. 1" long)

Herbs (approved type and quantity)

Incense holder and incense

Mortar & pestle (plastic)

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Orisha statue (not metal or glass) (max. 8" high)

Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only) Spiritual cleansing soap

White clothing (may not obscure the resident's face) (during ceremony only and stored in group locker)

#### Vodun

Altar (as approved)

Altar cloth (2' x 2")

Cowrie shells (max. 4, max. 1" long)

Herbs (approved type and quantity)

Incense holder and incense

Mortar and pestle (plastic)

Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only)

Spiritual cleansing soap

Statue (not metal or glass) (max. 8" high)

White clothing (may not obscure the resident's face) (during ceremony only and stored in group locker)

#### Wicca

Altar (as approved)

Altar cloth (2' x 2")

Bel1

Besom (broom) (max. 36")

Candle holders and candles (max. 10) Cardboard

Athame

Cardboard moon quarter designations

Chalice

Cloth banners

Crackers Cups (two)

Gavel (max. 12")

Grape juice (approved quantity)

Incense holder with sand and incense sticks (max. 2)

Ogham sticks (max. 4" long)

Pagan wheel, paper

Pentagrams and pentacles

Plate

Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only) Religious symbol to be placed on the wall when the group ceremony takes place

Robes (may not obscure the resident's face) (during ceremony only and stored in group locker) Salt and small shell (max. 3")

Set of runes

Speaking staff (max. 12")

Tarot cards

Vord (half-horse/half-man statue) (not metal or glass) (max. 8" high)

Wand (max. 20")