

# MAINE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

## ALLOWABLE PERSONAL RELIGIOUS ITEMS

Note: The maximum allowed value of any item (excluding religious journals, religious publications, including religious calendars, and religious audio CDs) is fifty dollars (\$50.00).

### **Buddhism**

Amulet (max. 2" on approved breakaway necklace only)  
Devotional icon or statue (plastic, not metal or glass) (max. 3") or picture (must fit in photo album)  
Individual Prayer rug (max. 4' x 6', approved design only - may not be used as a bed blanket, wall hanging or floor rug)  
Mala bag (max. 2" x 4")  
Prayer (Mala) beads (on approved breakaway string only)  
Religious audio CDs  
Religious journals  
Religious publications, including religious calendar

### **Christianity**

Cross or Crucifix (max. 2" on approved breakaway necklace only)  
Devotional icon or statue (plastic, not metal or glass) (max. 3") or picture (must fit in photo album)  
Holy medal (max. 1")  
Rosary beads (on approved breakaway string only)  
Religious audio CDs  
Religious journals  
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### **Hinduism**

Devotional statue (plastic, not metal or glass) (max. 3") or picture (must fit in photo album)  
Head scarf (female) (white or black only) (may not obscure the prisoner's face) (may be worn outside the cell or room)  
Individual prayer rug (max. 4' x 6', approved design only - may not be used as a bed blanket, wall hanging or floor rug)  
Pendant (max. 2" on approved breakaway necklace only)  
Prayer (Mala) beads (on approved breakaway string only)  
Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only – must be kept in cell or room)  
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### **Islam**

Allah pendant (max. 2" on approved breakaway necklace only)  
Head scarf (female) (white or black only) (may not obscure the prisoner's face) (may be worn outside the cell or room)  
Individual prayer rug (max. 4' x 6', approved design only - may not be used as a bed blanket, wall hanging or floor rug)  
Kufi (male) (in addition to Kufi made of cotton or similar lightweight material, may also have winter Kufi made of wool or similar heavyweight material) (white or black only) (may not obscure the prisoner's face) (may be worn outside the cell or room)  
Miswak toothbrush  
Miswak toothpaste  
Prayer beads (on approved breakaway string only)  
Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only – must be kept in cell or room)

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#### **Jehovah's Witness**

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#### **Judaism**

Kosher lamp (to be used between sunset and sunrise on the Sabbath and holy days only)  
Phylacteries (to be worn in cell or room only)  
Prayer shawl (approved size and design only, to be worn in cell or room only)  
Star of David (max. 2" on approved breakaway necklace only)  
Yarmulke (white or black only) (may not obscure the prisoner's face) (may be worn outside the cell or room)  
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#### **Latter Day Saints**

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#### **Nation of Islam**

Allah pendant (max. 2" on approved breakaway necklace only)  
Head scarf (female) (white or black only) (may not obscure the prisoner's face) (may be worn outside the cell or room)  
Individual prayer rug (max. 4' x 6', approved design only – may not be used as a bed blanket, wall hanging or floor rug)  
Kufi (male) (in addition to Kufi made of cotton or similar lightweight material, may also have winter Kufi made of wool or similar heavyweight material) (white or black only) (may not obscure the prisoner's face) (may be worn outside the cell or room)  
Miswak toothbrush  
Miswak toothpaste  
Prayer beads (on approved breakaway string only)  
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#### **Native American**

Beads (on approved breakaway string only)  
Dream catcher (max. 6" in diameter, approved design only – may be hung above the prisoner's head while sleeping)  
Feather (if, eagle feather requires Federal Government documentation)  
Medicine bag, (max. 3" x 5" - with 2 small stones, fetish (small stone animal statue), a small piece of cedar, small amount of bundled sweet grass, leaf or pinch of sage, lock of family member's hair, small piece of bear root and flag root) (may be worn around neck on approved breakaway lanyard only)  
Prayer blanket (max. 60" x 80", approved design only – may not be used as a bed blanket, wall hanging or floor rug)

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### **Odinism**

Devotional icon or statue (plastic, not metal or glass) (max. 3") or picture (must fit in photo album)  
Mojo bag (max. 5" x 6") – with feather, small stone, small crystal, pendulum, medallion, prayer bead - may be worn around neck with approved breakaway string only  
Prayer beads (on approved breakaway necklace only)  
Rune cards  
Rune casting cloth (max. 2" x 2" - white or black)  
Set of runes (small stones)  
Thor's Hammer (max. 2") (on approved breakaway necklace only)  
Religious audio CDs  
Religious journals  
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### **Pagan/Wicca**

Choice of set of runes (small stones), tarot cards, or ogham sticks (max. 4" long)  
Devotional icon or statue (plastic, not metal or glass) (max. 3") or picture (must fit in photo album)  
Mojo bag (max. 5" x 6"- with feather, small stone, small crystal, pendulum, medallion, prayer bead, 12" piece of breakaway string) (may be worn around neck with approved breakaway necklace only)  
Pentagram (max. 2" on approved breakaway necklace only)  
Prayer beads (on approved breakaway string only)  
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### **Santeria**

Altar cloth (2' x 2', approved design only - may not be used as a bed blanket, wall hanging or floor rug)  
Cowrie shells (max. 4, max 1" long)  
Elekes beads (max. 2, on approved breakaway string only)  
Orisha statue (plastic, not metal or glass) (max. 3") or picture (must fit in photo album)  
Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only – must be kept in cell or room)  
Santeria hat (white or black only) (may not obscure the prisoner's face) (may be worn outside the cell or room)  
Spiritual cleansing soap  
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### **Vodun**

Altar cloth (2' x 2', approved design only - may not be used as a bed blanket, wall hanging or floor rug)  
Beaded necklaces (max. 2, on approved breakaway string only)  
Cowrie shells (max. 4, max 1" long)  
Prayer oil (canteen purchase only, approved type, approved quantity, and in plastic container only – must be kept in cell or room)  
Statue (plastic, not metal or glass) (max. 3") or picture (must fit in photo album)  
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