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IoP Recommendations Action Plan

Proposed Recommendation from the Inspector of Prisons investigation report on the
Death in Custody of prisoner Mr. J in Midlands Prison on 06/06/2022

The Recommendations submitted by the IoP have been review and considered. The table below is a summary of proposed actions based on the investigation of the IoP in respect of the Irish Prison Service. The table also suggest timelines and action owners for completing the necessary actions.

No.	IoP Recommendations	Irish Prison Service Response	Action Required	Action Owner	Timeline
1.	In order to facilitate the effective investigation of deaths in prison custody and to ensure that all necessary lessons are learned, it is essential that a complete and accurate record be kept by the Irish Prison Service (IPS) of all items found in/removed from a prisoner's cell following a death in custody. This applies irrespective of whether the items are found/removed by IPS staff or by members of An	Partially accepted	<p>The IPS and AGS have established a number of working groups to examine ways to improve co-operation. One of the sub-groups is examining ways of achieving and maintaining the highest standards and best practice in the preservation, secure continuity, storage and record keeping of evidence.</p> <p>This recommendation has been submitted to this group for examination and full consideration.</p>	Operations	Complete



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	<p>Garda Síochána (AGS). In the event that items are found/removed by members of An Garda Síochána, the prison's Governor should be provided with a complete list of the items concerned. Implementation of this recommendation may require the development of a protocol between the IPS and AGS;</p>				
2.	<p>The IPS Directorate of Care and Rehabilitation is invited to develop a new plain English information resource for prisoners, clearly highlighting the potentially fatal consequences of self-inflicted injuries.</p>	<p>Partially accepted</p>	<p>The Irish Prison Service Psychology Service will develop a podcast to highlight the potentially fatal consequences of self-inflicted injuries which will be broadcast on the prison TV channel.</p>	<p>Care & Rehabilitation</p>	<p>Q3 2025</p>