

**Chapter: Agency Supports and Controls**  
**Rule: External Regulatory Agencies and Control Standards**

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(a) **Policy.**

The Texas Youth Commission (TYC) complies with all state, federal and applicable local laws and regulations and with other standards for controlling quantity, quality and safety. Following is a partial list of such regulatory agencies and controlling standards:

(b) **Agencies.**

- (1) Texas Department of Human Services - administrators, for the USDA, the National Breakfast and School Lunch Programs;
- (2) Texas Department of Health - sets sanitation, food preparation, and food storage standards;
- (3) Texas Education Agency - provides accreditation to TYC academic programs through standards for curriculum, staff, and physical facilities;
- (4) Texas Department of Family and Protective Services for Title IV-E funding; and
- (5) Other agencies administering federally funded programs in which TYC participates.

(c) **Codes, Boards and Other Standards.**

- (1) Facilities attempt to comply with American Correctional Association standards for operating correctional programs.
  - (2) Institutions comply in as much as is practical with Uniform Building Code, National Electric Codes; applicable requirements or equivalencies of the National Fire Protection Association; Texas Department of Licensing & Regulation Accessibility Standards; and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (water and waste water).
  - (3) Halfway houses comply with local building codes, applicable zoning ordinances and local fire regulations.
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