


Visitors' rules of the Saarland Hospital for Forensic Psychiatry

The visitors' rules regulate the visiting modalities for patients' visits within the Saarland Hospital for Forensic Psychiatry as a supplement to the house rules and the ward rules.

The patients have the right to receive visits from persons outside the hospital in accordance with the directives regulated in the Saarland Forensic Commitment Act.

Taking these directives into account, the following possibilities of visits have been created for patients with the request that the information will be observed and the instructions by the staff will be obeyed.

Merzig, this 22. M. 16



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Regulations:

1. Entry is only granted against presentation of a valid German proof of identity or a comparable document of any other country and, in the case of prisoners pending trial, a valid visiting permit.
2. The number of visits per patient per week has been limited in wards 1,2,3,5 and 6a to two visitors, in ward 6b to three visitors and two visiting appointments.
3. Visits by minors require the separate written consent of the hospital management. For this, a valid proof of identity, a birth certificate and possibly a power of attorney by the parent/guardian not in the hospital are required.
4. At the visit, certain objects (see page 4) can be brought in. An exception is formed for the patients in the hospital according to §§ 126a, 453c and also § 64, for whom the therapy process has been separated. Hand-over of forbidden objects leads to an immediate stoppage of the visit.
5. The visit and the objects to be brought in must be reported to the nursing staff of the responsible ward on the day before the visit at the latest.
6. Visitors should arrive at the outer gate/ward 5-10 minutes before the appointment and report via the communication system. This is the only way in which a visit can take place to the satisfaction of all involved. We request your understanding for the necessary security check.
7. All personal objects must be placed in one of the lockers provided. If medication is needed for your own use, this must be reported beforehand and handed to the staff on duty.
8. Taking mobile telephones, computers, storage media, cameras, weapons of all kinds, pets etc. into the SKFP is not permitted.
9. Visits take place exclusively in the assigned area. Access to the patients' rooms or the smoking areas is forbidden.
10. If there is a suspicion of alcohol or drug intoxication, the visitor will be turned away.
11. We expect that all visitors behave calmly and in a disciplined way. Suitable clothing (knee-long, shoulders covered) is precondition for entrance.
12. For further questions, the staff on duty is at your disposal.

Visiting hours:

Wards 1,2,3,5 and 6a:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday: 02.15 p.m. to 03.15 p.m.
03.15 p.m. to 04.15 p.m.

Ward 3:

Children's visits only Saturday, Sunday and public holidays: 12.30 p.m. to 01.30 p.m.

Length of visit: - 1 hour.

- Persons in the hospital according to **§ 126a Code of Criminal Proceedings** or other monitoring of the visit 30 minutes.

Mondays and Wednesdays are not visit days, apart from public holidays.

Wards 6b:

Monday – Friday 03.00 p.m. to 05.30 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday, public holidays 10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.

02.30 p.m. to 05.30 p.m.

Attorneys'/custodians' visits:

Consultancy hours:

Monday – Friday 08.00 a.m. – 11.45 a.m. and 01.00 p.m. – 05.00 p.m.

Making appointments in good time is necessary.

Exceptions shall require written consent from the hospital management.

Specific references:

Visits to patients with a limited visiting permit (§ 126a Code of Criminal Proceedings)

- During the visit, monitoring staff must always be present
- German must be spoken (official language)
- Communication specific to the offence/crime is forbidden
- Neither side may hand over objects or anything else
- In the event of a breach, the visit will be stopped.
- Appointments are given separately.
- Only one visit every 14 days for patients with a § 126a Code of Criminal Proceedings status

Visits to patients with a § 64 status, for whom the therapy process has been separated or patients declared hopeless

- The visit takes place exclusively in the visitors' room behind the pane of glass
- Per patient only one appointment per week
- Neither side may hand over objects

Permitted objects/gifts:

- Tobacco goods: Tobacco (max. 200 grams) or cigarettes (max. 1 box)
- Clothing following prior agreement with the social services
- No food!

As far as possible, all the objects must be in the original packaging or heat-sealed.