



# Detention Corporal

**Job Code:** S2914  
**Pay Grade:** SP  
**Pay Scale:** \$42.14-\$51.05 Hourly; \$92,033.76-\$111,493.20 Annually  
**Exempt:** No

## OVERVIEW

Perform first line supervisory duties to maintain order and physical custody of inmates in a detention facility, courthouse complex, or other areas to provide a safe and secure environment.

## DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Duties may vary based on assignment.

- Supervise the work of assigned staff by scheduling, assigning, and reviewing work assignments, providing training and counseling, and assist in evaluating performance.
- Oversee staff, inmates, and visitors of designated detention facility sections, courthouse complexes, or other areas to ensure a safe and secure environment.
- Oversee and/or conduct frequent security checks for evidence of unauthorized activities and infractions of rules, respond to situations, and document accordingly.
- Instruct personnel on relative security measures, policy, rules, and regulations concerning the care, custody, and control of persons to include booking and releasing offenders, maintaining security of the facility, and escorting offenders within and/or outside the secure confines of the jail.
- Hear inmate grievances, initiate actions according to the nature of the complaints, and counsel inmates regarding personal problems.
- Serve as an investigator and/or on scene commander of incidents involving inmate violations of rules and regulations.
- Account for sums of cash and sureties provided as bond for the release of eligible prisoners.
- Document incidents including property damage, personal injury, and use of force.
- Review and edit incident reports to ensure accuracy.
- Schedule, coordinate, train, and supervise bailiffs as required.
- Perform inmate release duties.
- Supervise fire drills and training.
- Make recommendations concerning employee promotions and disciplinary actions.
- Update employee payroll to ensure accurate time accounting.
- Arrange transportation of inmates to and from medical facilities and/or court as necessary.
- Make daily observations of employee performance and document as appropriate to aid the performance evaluation process.
- Ensure employees comply with established policy and procedures.
- Relieve officers at other posts as necessary.
- Assume the duties and act on behalf of a sergeant as required.
- Perform other related duties as required.

## KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITIES

- Working knowledge of principles, practices, and techniques of modern inmate care, custody, and control, and related state, federal, and department laws, rules, regulations, standards, and policies governing the operation of detention facilities and courtrooms.
- Working knowledge of local, state, and federal laws governing the criminal justice system.

- Working knowledge of crowd control defense and restraint tactics and communication procedures.
- Working knowledge of behavior patterns, legal rights, discipline protocols, and grievance procedures of inmates.
- Working knowledge of leadership and supervisory principles, practices, and techniques.
- Working knowledge of how to search for and recognize contraband and weapons.
- Working knowledge of the operation of Sally port controls, cell locks, and control panels commonly used in a secure facility.
- Working knowledge of local, state, and federal laws and regulations governing personnel management.
- Working knowledge of first-aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) principles.
- Skill in the application of supervisory techniques.
- Skill in interviewing and interrogation methods and techniques.
- Ability and willingness to supervise the work of others.
- Ability to train others in all aspects of job duties and responsibilities.
- Ability to communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing, with diverse populations.
- Ability to analyze problems, identify alternative solutions, project consequences of proposed actions, and implement recommendations in support of goals.
- Ability to work in a hostile environment of inmates and their visitors without reacting in a negative manner and project a professional image at all times.
- Ability to handle multiple tasks and smoothly and rapidly shift between dissimilar tasks.
- Ability to supervise emergency situations, make effective decisions under stressful situations, and direct the use of physical force necessary to protect oneself and others.
- Ability to detect potentially adverse or unsafe situations and react according to department policy.
- Ability to physically handle and control prisoners resisting detention.
- Ability to review, establish, and maintain accurate records of assigned activities and operations.
- Ability to use a two-way radio.
- Ability to properly use various restraining devices.
- Ability to safely and skillfully operate a motor vehicle.
- Ability to operate a computer and related software.
- Ability to work effectively with others.
- Ability and willingness to use weapons and to properly maintain them.

## WORKING CONDITIONS

- Work within a law enforcement agency, in and around a detention, correctional, or court operations environment, with occasional contact with inmates.
- May work outdoors in a subtropical climate in potential adverse weather conditions.
- May have occasional exposure to explicit or disturbing behavior.
- Elevated risk of exposure to bloodborne or airborne pathogens, bodily fluids, chemical or biological toxins, and contagious diseases.
- Stand or sit at a workstation for prolonged periods, walk long distances, and ascend/descend ladders as needed.
- May engage in extremely heavy physical exertion (e.g., lifting, carrying, pushing and/or pulling objects and materials over 100 pounds).
- Annual physical testing includes running, climbing, lifting, pushing, pulling, and navigating obstacles, along with repetitive hand movements, balance, agility, and sustained physical exertion in varied environments.
- Shift work: May work day or night shifts and non-standard hours/days including weekends and holidays.
- Maintain cell phone availability after hours and at home to aid and guide subordinates.
- Required to wear a Sheriff's Office provided uniform.
- In the event of an emergency or disaster, may be required to respond promptly to duties and responsibilities as assigned by management chain, Division/District Commander, or the Sheriff (or their designee). Such assignments may be for before, during or after the emergency/disaster.

## **MINIMUM EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE**

- A high school diploma or possession of a GED certificate.
- Four years military experience with an honorable discharge or in good standing.
- Four continuous years of experience as a Detention Deputy with the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office (HCSO).

OR

- An associate's degree or 60 semester or 90 quarter hours (or equivalent) towards a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education.
- Four continuous years of experience as a Detention Deputy with HCSO.

OR

- A bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education.
- Three continuous years of experience as a Detention Deputy with HCSO.

Additionally, the following are required:

- Possession of a valid Florida Driver License.
- No punitive disciplinary action consisting of a 5 day suspension or greater and/or involuntary demotion within the last two years.
- Ineligible if currently serving a suspension or probation with the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (CJSTC).
- An overall rating of three "fully acceptable" or better on the annual evaluation in the Employee Performance Management System (EPMS) for the three years prior to submission.
- A rating of three "fully acceptable" or better in each dimensional category on the annual evaluation in EPMS within the one year prior to submission.

## **REQUIRED PRE-EMPLOYMENT TESTING**

- A valid passing test score on the HCSO Corporal Promotion Examination on or after calendar year 2023.

## **ADDITIONAL JOB REQUIREMENTS**

- Attendance at the specified Sheriff's Office work location is required.
- Depending on assignment, employees may be required to possess a valid Florida Driver License at time of employment. Driving history will be thoroughly reviewed and may be grounds for disqualification.
- No visible tattoos on face. Tattoos on hands, neck, or arms must be covered with white, black, or neutral colored covering.
- No illegal drug sale within lifetime.
- No illegal drug use within the past 36 months. No marijuana use within the last 12 months.
- No felony convictions within lifetime.
- No misdemeanor convictions involving perjury, false statement, or domestic violence within lifetime.
- No dishonorable discharge from any branch of the United States Armed Forces, the United States Coast Guard, National Guard, or Reserve Forces.
- Successful completion of a background investigation including criminal, reference, employment, and neighborhood checks; polygraph; medical evaluation; and drug screening.
- Live within Hillsborough County or within Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Lake, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota, or Sumter County as long as the residence is located within the 60-mile parameter of Falkenburg Road Jail at the time of appointment/employment (certified only).

The duties and responsibilities on this job description represent the essential functions that an employee must be able to satisfactorily perform with or without reasonable accommodations. Reasonable accommodations shall be made upon request to enable employees with disabilities to perform the essential functions of their job, absent undue agency hardship. The Sheriff's Office retains the right to change or assign other duties to this job as necessary.