

Criminal Detention in the EU

National Standard

COUNTRY	DETENTION ISSUES	KEY PROVISION	LEGAL INSTRUMENT	NPM RECOMMENDATION	NPM RECOMMENDATION YEAR	NPM REPORT URL
Austria	Time out of cell	Prisoners who do not work outside have the right to spend one hour daily outside if the weather does not prevent it. Prisoners who work outside do have this right on each day they do not work. Time outside is to be extended, if this does not interfere with other tasks and order in the prison. Sport is to be allowed, as it is possible regarding equipment, age and health.	Penal Code (Strafvollzugsgesetz)	<p>Steps should be taken to offer prisoners more time for activities outside the inmate cell, including of Fridays and weekends. The lock-up times must be shortened, particularly for unemployed prisoners. Lock-up times of 23 hours per day are intolerable. Persons who have been deprived of their liberty should be offered appropriate activities. This applies to juveniles, in particular. In addition to education and occupational or other training, sports activities should also be an important part of this programme.</p> <p>, Additionally to schooling and vocational education as well as education in general, sport shall be an important part of activities of youth in prisons. Time outside has to be provided for adults for an hour each day and two hours for youth. This time has to be available for the inmates net. The time spent for being brought outside and back inside shall not be counted. If staying outside is not possible due to the weather, alternatives have to be provided (e.g. in a gym). The provision of at least one time of physical exercise outside has to be guaranteed. Police Arrest Centres have to have useful equipment in- and outdoors. There shall not only be functioning (sport) equipments but also board games and also the participation in external leisure activities should be allowed.</p>	2016 , 2017	<p>https://volksanwaltschaft.gv.at/en/reports#anchor-index-2950</p> <p>, https://volksanwaltschaft.gv.at/en/reports#anchor-index-2950</p>

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