Criminal Detention in the EU Conditions and Monitoring

National Standard

Country	Detention Issues	Key provision	Legal Instrument	NPM Recommendation	NPM Recommendation year	NPM report URL
Czechia	External contact	Detainees have the right to receive visits from close relatives for a period of three hours per month. Visits take place in special rooms. No more than four persons may visit a detainee at one time (the internal rules of the prison may allow more visitors); children under the age of 15 must be accompanied by an adult. Detainees can be rewarded for good behaviour by, among other things, being granted an increase in their visiting time to five hours a month.	Act No. 169/1999 Coll., on the Execution of the Punishment of the Deprivation of Liberty (zákon o výkonu trestu odnětí svobody)	Findings from visits: In the two prisons visited, the pre-trial detainees were not allowed to visit at all without hearing and sight checks. In one prison visited, food and drink were not allowed during the visit. In one prison, the children's play area was part of the chapel area, but could only be used by convicts and their families, not by the pre-trial detainees. Recommendation: Allow defendants to visit without hearing and vision screening after individual assessment. Allow visitors to purchase small refreshments. Ensure that the accused person's contact with the children, and all other visitors, is as casual as possible.	2022	https://eso.ochrance.cz/Nalezene/Edit/10920

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