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Order restored after disturbance at Tipton Correctional Center; weekend visiting canceled

On the evening of July 4, a minor disturbance occurred at Tipton Correctional Center, a minimum security institution in Tipton, Missouri.

Between 9 p.m. and 10 p.m., some offenders in the yard resisted returning to their housing units at the end of the recreation period. Around 10 p.m., offenders were escorted back to their assigned housing units.

In three of the units, a few offenders refused to comply with normal nighttime procedures and caused a disturbance. In one unit, offenders committed property damage, including breaking windows and damaging a shower divider wall. With help from the Corrections Emergency Response Team, those offenders were restrained in the institution's gymnasium, and order was restored to the institution by 5:30 a.m. Thursday morning.

There are no reports of injuries to any offenders or staff.

The institution is on modified lockdown, and visiting has been canceled for this weekend, July 6-8.

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