



**United States Department of Agriculture
Rural Development
Texas State Office**

USDA Rural Development Texas AN No. 612 (1951-B)

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TO: All Offices

FROM: Scooter Brockett
Acting State Director

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scooter Brockett", written over the printed name.

SUBJECT: Log of Checks/Money Orders stored in Safe

PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME: To provide concise direction on handling checks and money orders held in the state and local offices.

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN: This Texas AN replaces Texas AN No. 606, which expired May 31, 2009.

IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES: There are several reasons for a check or money order to be stored in the area/sub-area/state office safe for a relatively short period of time. Cash should not be stored in the safe. If cash is collected, it should be immediately converted to a cashier's check or money order.

For management control purposes, it is important that we are all aware if checks are stored in the safe, for what purpose, for how long, and when they are distributed, disbursed, or remitted.

Complete the attached Log of Checks for each check or money order that is stored in your safe for longer than one day. Post to the Log of Checks each time a check or money order comes in or goes out if it is kept for longer than one day. The Log of Checks should be stored in the safe separately from the checks and money orders, preferably in a separate drawer.

A Log of Checks should be prepared each month. At the end of each month, file the Log of Checks in your monthly collection file (1951-B) in position four (4). Transfer any checks or money orders from the previous month that are still in your safe to the next month's Log of Checks.

If you have any questions, please call Donna Freytag at 254-742-9704.

Attachment

Expiration Date:
May 31, 2010

Filing Instructions:
Following RD Instructions 1951-B

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