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IHL rules on detention cover four main areas: grounds for and procedure of detention, treatment ^[1] of detainees, judicial guarantees ^[2] during trial, and, and, to a certain extent, transfer ^[3] of detainees.

The purpose of the rules on material conditions of detention is to ensure that detaining authorities ^[4] adequately provide for detainees' physical and psychological needs. These rules govern the issues such as food ^[5], accommodation ^[6], health, hygiene ^[7], contacts with the outside world, and religious observance, among others.

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