IHL rules on detention cover four main areas: grounds for and procedure of detention, treatment\(^1\) of detainees, judicial guarantees\(^2\) during trial, 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.

See Detention\(^8\); Prisoners of war\(^9\); Civilian internees\(^10\); Internment\(^11\); Treatment\(^1\); Accommodation\(^6\); Food\(^5\); Hygiene\(^7\); Communication\(^12\);
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