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4-year Correctional Officer arrested at CMCF after contraband find

JACKSON –A four-year correctional officer is on unpaid suspension after she was caught with a cellphone, marijuana, and spice upon reporting to work at Central Mississippi Correctional Facility in Rankin County.

Kimberly Diana Scott, 35, of Pickens, was arrested Sunday and taken to the Rankin County Jail in Brandon. The contraband, concealed on Scott’s person, was discovered during a regular search.

“Operation Zero Tolerance will always be in effect under my administration,” said Commissioner Pelicia E. Hall. “This is a reminder that anyone coming on prison grounds – whether that person is an employee, a visitor or a vendor, the person will be searched. If contraband is found on the person, the person will be arrested and taken to jail.”

Scott is charged under the state law that prohibits the sale, possession or use of controlled substances in a correctional facility. A conviction carries a maximum \$25,000 fine, from three to seven years in prison, and no eligibility for probation, parole, suspension of sentence, earned time or any other reduction of sentence.