

Archive

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The Archive shelving system addresses the problem of prisoners overcrowding their cells with personal belongings, which in turn creates difficulties for staff during routine searches. The lack of personal space in cells has also been taken into account, with the design featuring a privacy panel separating both desk spaces. This encourages a more functional and productive work space, but also fosters morale and wellbeing. Customisation and personalisation encourages prisoners to engage mentally with their space, by seeking more creative solutions to storing or displaying their personal items. More importantly, Archive considers the prisoner as a curator of his collection, ultimately giving value to the furniture and reducing the risk of abuse.

