

WAC 308-22-070 Requirements and standards—Minimum safety and sanitation standards for artists and shops, mobile units, and event locations.

(1) Every licensee shall maintain the following safety and sanitation standards:

(a) Each location shall have a waiting area that is physically separated from the work stations and equipment cleaning area.

(b) Locations that use only disposable equipment are exempt from having a separate equipment cleaning area.

(c) The work stations and equipment cleaning area must be separated from living quarters by a floor to ceiling wall and closed doors during business hours.

(d) All locations must have access to an equipment cleaning area with a sink available. Sinks must have hot and cold running water. Sinks in equipment cleaning areas are to be used for disinfecting supplies, tools, equipment, and other materials. These sinks must be labeled "not for public use."

(e) All locations must have access to a separate hand washing sink, with hot and cold running water, for public use. Sinks must be supplied with single-use hand soap and disposable towels or an air dryer.

(f) Creams and lotions must be dispensed using a disposable or sanitized and disinfected applicator.

(g) After restroom use and before providing services to clients, licensees must wash hands with single-use soap and/or hand sanitizer and use disposable or single-use hand-drying towels or an air dryer.

(h) Waste containers must be emptied, sanitized, and disinfected daily.

(i) All locations shall be kept free of rodents and vermin and protected from infestation by insects.

(2) Work stations.

(a) No two workstations should overlap or share workspace.

(b) Each workstation must have a sealable, rigid, puncture-proof sharps container. Each container must be labeled with the international biohazard symbol.

(3) Client records. The shop/business must keep a record of all customers receiving services. Those records must include, but are not limited to:

(a) Customer's name, age, and address;

(b) Date of the procedure;

(c) Body art, body piercing, or tattoo practitioner's name;

(d) Location of and type of procedure;

(e) Customer signature;

(f) Client records must be retained for a minimum of two years and made available upon request by department personnel.

(4) Articles in contact with a client.

(a) All items, which come in direct contact with the client's skin that do not require disinfecting, must be sanitized.

(b) All articles, which come in direct contact with the client's skin that cannot be sanitized and disinfected, must be disposed of in a covered waste receptacle immediately after use.

(c) Disposable protective gloves must be disposed of upon removal.

(d) Liquids must be dispensed with a squeeze bottle or pump.

(5) Refuse and waste material.

(a) All chemical, flammable, toxic or otherwise harmful waste material must be deposited in a hands free covered waste receptacle and disposed of properly at the close of each business day.

(b) All nonchemical waste related to the performance of services must be deposited in a hands free covered waste receptacle to avoid the potential for cross contamination through release of or exposure to infectious waste materials.

(c) Containers located in the reception or office area, which do not contain waste relating to the performance of services, are exempt from having covers.

(6) **Disinfecting electrical tools and implements.** Electrical tools and implements must be disinfected after service on each client in the following order:

(a) Remove any foreign matter or debris;

(b) Disinfect with an EPA hospital grade disinfectant.

(7) **Storage of tools and implements.**

(a) New and/or sanitized and disinfected tools and implements must be stored separately from all others.

(b) Roller storage receptacles and contents must be sanitized and disinfected and free of foreign material.

(c) Storage cabinets, work stations, and storage drawers for sanitized and disinfected tools and implements must be clean, free of debris, and used only for sanitized and disinfected tools and implements.

(d) All used nondisposable tools and implements must be kept in a separate, puncture resistant container.

(8) **Floors, walls, and other surfaces.**

(a) All floors in work station areas must be made of a smooth, durable, nonabsorbent, nonporous material that is easily cleanable and can be maintained in a sanitary manner at all times.

(b) All other floors and floor coverings that are not in work station areas must be kept clean and in good repair or replaced so that they do not become a hazard to safety or health.

(c) All surfaces, including counters, tables, and client chairs, shall be made of smooth, nonabsorbent, and nonporous material that is easily cleanable and can be maintained in a sanitary manner at all times.

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