Department of Consumer Affairs



Most Common Violations Cited During an Inspection

Title 16, Division 9, California Code of Regulations (CCR) and Business and Professions Code (BPC) sections:

CCR §979-Disinfection Non-Electrical Tools: Fine amount - \$100.00 - \$500.00 How to avoid violation:

- Before use upon a client, properly clean tools. Remove all visible debris, clean with soap or detergent and water, dry tools, totally immerse instruments in an EPA-registered disinfectant solution, and use gloves or tongs to remove the tools from the disinfectant.
- Always keep disinfectant solution covered and change disinfectant when it is cloudy, contains debris, or according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- Store all soiled non-electrical items (example: combs, brushes, nail clippers) in a container that which is labeled "Dirty", "Soiled", or "Contaminated".
- Store all disinfected non-electrical items in a clean covered place which is labeled "Clean" or "Disinfected".
- Shears shall be disinfected by removing all visible debris, clean with soap or detergent and water, spray or wipe with an EPA-registered disinfectant solution.
- Disinfected tools and shears shall NOT be placed in a container, pouch or holder which cannot be disinfected.

CCR §988-Liquids, Creams, Powders and Cosmetics: Fine amount - \$50.00 - \$150.00 How to avoid violation:

- Store all liquids, creams, waxes, shampoo, powders, gels and other cosmetic preparations in clean and closed containers. Powders may be kept in clean shakers.
- Distinctly label all bottles and containers of their contents (example: water, gel, oil, etc.).
- When only using a portion of a cosmetic preparation, remove from container in such a way
 as to not contaminate the remaining portion. Example: When removing wax from a wax
 pot, avoid "double dipping" the same wax stick applicator.

CCR §981(a) - No Disposal of Tools and Supplies That Cannot Be Disinfected: Fine amount-\$100.00 - \$250.00

How to avoid violation:

 After use on a single client, immediately dispose of tools and supplies that cannot be disinfected (example: buffers, pumice stone, wax sticks, toe separators, gloves, cotton pads, sponges, emery boards, and neck strips) in a waste receptacle.

CCR §981 (b) – Improper Storage of New Supplies and Disposable Tools: Fine amount-\$50.00 - \$150.00 How to avoid violation:

 Make sure all new supplies and single-use, disposable tools are stored in a clean, covered place labeled "New"

BPC §7317- Unlicensed Establishment/Persons: Fine amount - \$25.00 - \$1,000.00 How to avoid violation:

- Always keep your personal and/or establishment license current.
- Be sure that the establishment you work at is licensed and current.
- Be sure that employees are all licensed and current.

BPC §7351 – Restroom Requirements: Fine amount-\$50.00 - \$150.00 How to avoid violation:

- You need to have a public restroom.
- The restroom should always be kept clean.
- The restroom should be clear of all storage. No storage of supplies, mops, buckets, etc., are allowed in the restroom.

CCR §965-Display of Licenses: Fine amount-\$50.00 - \$150.00 How to avoid violation:

- Conspicuously post individual licenses at the licensee's primary work station.
- Conspicuously post the establishment license in the reception area.
- Do not display an expired or invalid license.

CCR §987-Towels: Fine amount-\$50.00 - \$150.00

How to avoid violation:

- After a towel, sheet, robe, linen or smock has once been used once, place it in a closed container to be laundered.
- Launder towels commercially in water at least 160 degrees for no less than 25 minutes, or using chemicals and cold water.
- Keep clean towels, sheets, robes, linen or smocks stored in clean, closed cabinets or containers.

CCR §994-Cleanliness and Repair: Fine amount-\$50.00 - \$150.00 How to avoid violation:

- Keep all floors, walls, woodwork, ceilings, furniture, furnishing, and fixtures clean and in good repair.
- Do not permit an accumulation of waste, hair clippings, or refuse in establishment.

CCR §978 (a) (5) - Insufficient Disinfectant in Container for Total Immersion: Fine amount-\$100.00 - \$200.00

How to avoid violation:

 When disinfecting tools, ensure there is enough disinfectant solution in the container to allow for total immersion of tools. If tools do not completely fit in the container (example: handle of a brush sticks out), use a different container. CCR §986- Neck dusters/Brushes Not Clean or Sanitary: Fine amount-\$50.00 - \$150.00 How to avoid violation:

- Properly clean neck, nail, facial, or makeup dusters and manicure brushes before use on a client.
- Place clean dusters and brushes in a clean, covered place which is labeled "Clean".
- Place soiled dusters or brushes in a container labeled "Dirty", "Soiled", or "Contaminated".

CCR §990-Headrests, Shampoo Trays and Bowls, and Treatment Tables: Fine amount-\$50.00 - \$150.00 How to avoid violation:

- Keep the headrest of chairs covered with a clean towel or paper sheet for each client.
- Clean shampoo trays and bowls with soap and water or other detergent after each shampoo.
- Keep shampoo trays and bowls in good repair and in a sanitary condition at all times.
- Cover treatment tables with clean treatment table paper, a clean towel, or a clean sheet after each use.
- Remove a towel or sheet immediately after used and deposit it in a closed container to be laundered. Immediately dispose of treatment paper after a single use.

BPC §7349- Employment of Unlicensed Persons: Fine amount - \$1,000.00 How to avoid violation:

 Before hiring verify each individual has a current and valid license to practice barbering, cosmetology and electrology services.

CCR \S 980(c) - Disinfection Electrical Tools: Fine amount- 50.00 - \$150.00 How to avoid violation:

• All soiled electrical tools used on a client or soiled in any manner, shall be placed in a container labeled "Soiled"," Dirty" or "Contaminated" (excluding hot styling tools)

CCR §980.1(c)(7), 980.1(d)(7), 980.2(b)(7), 980.2(c)(6), 980.2(d)(3), 980.3(b)(6) and 980.4(a)(2) – Pedicure Equipment Cleaning Log – Fine amount - \$100.00- \$200.00 How to avoid violation:

- After use upon a client, at the end of each day and weekly properly clean and disinfect the
 pedicure foot spa chair, basin or tub equipment according to the type of foot spa chair,
 basin, or tub you have. (example Pipe-less Foot spas, Non-Whirlpool Foot Basin or Tub, and
 Disposable Foot Basins or Tub Liners)
- Record the procedure in the pedicure equipment log, include the date, time of each
 cleaning and the initials of the person who completed the procedure, and indicate the
 cleaning was done after the client, end of day or weekly.
- Each chair, basin or tub shall have its own pedicure equipment log.
- The pedicure equipment log shall be made available upon request by either a client or a board representative.

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