

3100.6300 ADEQUATE SAFETY AND SANITARY CONDITIONS FOR DENTAL OFFICES.

Subpart 1. **Minimum conditions.** Subparts 2 to 15 are minimum safety and sanitary conditions.

Subp. 2. **Premises.** The premises must be kept neat and clean, and free of rubbish, ponded water, or other conditions of similar nature that would have a tendency to create a public health nuisance.

Subp. 3. **Housekeeping facilities and services.** Housekeeping facilities and services necessary to ensure comfortable and sanitary conditions for patients and employees must be utilized.

Subp. 4. **Control of insects and vermin.** The premises must be kept free of ants, flies, roaches, rodents, and other insects or vermin. Proper methods for their eradication or control shall be utilized.

Subp. 5. **Refuse disposal.** Refuse must be kept in approved containers and emptied at frequent intervals.

Subp. 6. **Heating, lighting, and other service equipment.** The heating of offices must be by heating systems conforming to state and local heating codes and regulations. Individual room heaters must be located to avoid direct contact with any combustible material. Installation and maintenance of electric wiring, motors, and other electrical equipment must be in compliance with applicable state and local electric codes and regulations.

Subp. 7. **Water supply.** An ample supply of water of a safe, sanitary quality, from a source that is approved by the agent of a board of health must be piped under pressure, and in an approved manner, to all equipment and fixtures where the use of water is required.

Subp. 8. **Plumbing.** Plumbing must be in compliance with all applicable plumbing codes. Adequate hand washing facilities, of an approved type, must be provided convenient to the work area. Hand washing facilities must be equipped with soap and towels, and the drain from such facility shall be properly trapped and connected directly to the waste disposal system.

Subp. 9. **Disposal of liquid and human waste.** All liquid and human waste, including floor wash water, must be disposed of through trap drains into a public sanitary sewer system in localities where a system is available. In localities where a public sanitary sewer system is not available, liquid and human waste must be disposed of through trapped drains and in a manner approved by the authorized agent.

Subp. 10. **Clean rooms.** Floors, walls, and ceilings of all rooms, including store rooms, must be clean and free of any rubbish.

Subp. 11. **Infection control.** Dental health care personnel shall comply with the most current infection control recommendations, guidelines, precautions, procedures, practices, strategies, and techniques specified in the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control publications of the Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR). The current infection control techniques in the MMWR dated December 19, 2003, volume 52, number RR-17, are hereby incorporated by reference. The MMWR is available at the Minnesota State Law Library, by interlibrary loan, or by subscription from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control. The infection control standards in the MMWR are subject to frequent change.

Subp. 12. **Sharps and infectious waste.** Sharp items and infectious wastes must be disposed of according to Minnesota Statutes, sections 116.76 to 116.83, and any adopted rules and requirements established by local government agencies.

Subp. 13. [Repealed, 35 SR 459]

Subp. 14. **Hazardous waste.** Dental health care personnel shall comply with the requirements for hazardous waste in chapter 7045.

Subp. 15. **Ionizing radiation.** Each licensee shall comply with the requirements for ionizing radiation in chapter 4732.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 150A.04; 150A.06; 150A.08; 150A.10; 150A.11; 214.06; 214.15; 319A.18*

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