



STATE SANITARY CODE , PART 10, GENERAL PROVISIONS

(Statutory Authority: Public Health Law, §225)

The Department of State requires all licensed barber shops practicing outside the City of New York to post a copy of the State Sanitary Code. The publication prepared by the Department complies with this requirement.

EQUIPMENT

§10.10 Water supply

An adequate supply of hot and cold water from a municipal or satisfactory private source shall be provided for service for customers, cleanliness of employees, and for washing floors, walls, ceiling and equipment.

§10.11 Waste disposal

Waste water from all plumbing fixtures shall be discharged into municipal sewers where available. Otherwise suitable facilities shall be installed for the absorption of the wastes by the soil in underground systems, so that no nuisance is created.

§10.12 Plumbing fixtures

Plumbing fixtures shall be of impervious material and of a type which is readily cleanable. They shall be free from cracks and from parts which are not readily accessible for cleaning. They shall be of a type which does not constitute a hazard to a public water supply through back siphonage.

§10.13 Floors

Floors shall be of such construction as to be easily cleaned and shall be kept clean and in good repair. If carpeting or similar material is used for floor covering, it shall be of a light color with a single loop pile or not more than one-quarter inch in height. Such floor covering shall be kept clean by vacuuming at least daily and shampooing at least annually and more frequently if the covering is not clean.

§10.14 Lighting and ventilation

Lighting fixtures shall be in sufficient number and properly placed so as to provide adequate illumination. The shop shall be properly and adequately ventilated.

§10.15 Cabinets

Cabinets shall be provided for storage of clean linen and towels. They shall have tight fitting doors that shall be kept closed to protect the linen and towels from dust and dirt.

§10.16 Receptacle for used towels

A covered receptacle which can be readily emptied and cleansed shall be provided exclusively for soiled towels or linen.

§10.17 Refuse

Covered containers for hair droppings, paper and other waste material shall be provided and maintained so that they are not offensive.

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

§10.20 General cleanliness

The licensed owner of every barber shop or beauty parlor shall keep it at all times in a clean and sanitary condition.

§10.21 Walls, ceilings and fixtures

(a) Ceilings shall be kept in repair and cracks in walls, especially around baseboards, shall be filled in so as to prevent the harboring and breeding of insects.

(b) Cabinets, shelves, furniture and fixtures shall be kept clean and free of dust, dirt and hair droppings. Arms, seats and rests of chairs shall be wiped of hair droppings after serving each customer.

§10.22 Spitting

Spitting on floors and in sinks shall be prohibited.

§10.23 Sanitary services

(a) A towel shall not be used for more than one person without being properly laundered before each use.

(b) The head rest of the chair shall be covered by a properly laundered towel or paper for each customer before the customer is permitted to recline in such chair.

(c) A sanitary paper strip shall be placed completely around the neck of each customer before any apron or hair cloth or any other protective device is fastened around the neck.

§10.24 Sanitation of equipment and implements

(a) Hair brushes, combs and all other implements used on a customer shall be kept clean and sanitary at all times and shall undergo thorough cleansing after serving each customer.

(b) After handling a customer affected with an eruption, or whose skin is broken out, or is inflamed, or contains pus, the instruments shall be effectively cleaned, washed with soap or a detergent and water, then rinsed with water having a temperature of at least 170 degrees Fahrenheit or allowed to remain for five minutes in alcohol (70 percent–80 percent) or some other equally efficient disinfectant.

§10.25 Shaving brushes, mugs and finger bowls

The use of shaving brushes and shaving mugs is prohibited.

The use of finger bowls is prohibited unless a separate sanitary inner paper liner or cup is used for each customer and discarded immediately after use.

§10.26 Alum or other astringents

Alum or other material used to stop the flow of blood shall be applied in powdered or liquid form only.

§10.27 Neck dusters, powder puffs and sponges

The use of brush neck dusters, powder puffs and sponges is prohibited.

OPERATORS

§10.30 Cleanliness of operators

The hands of the operator shall be thoroughly washed with soap and warm water before serving each customer.

§10.31 Health of operators

No person known to be affected with any communicable disease in an infectious stage shall engage in barbering or cosmetology and no person so affected shall be employed as a barber or cosmetologist.