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From: Superintendent, United States Naval Academy

Subj: BARBER AND BEAUTY SHOP SANITARY REGULATIONS

Ref: (a) Manual of Naval Preventive Medicine, NAVMED P-5010, Chapter 2, Section 2

Encl: (1) Barber and Beauty Shop Health and Sanitation Regulations

1. Purpose. To set forth sanitation standards for the operation of barber/beauty shops located in activities under the area coordination of the Superintendent.

2. Cancellation. USNA/AAC Instruction 6240.6C

3. Background. Barber/beauty shops are operated within the jurisdiction of the Naval establishment for convenience and to enable personnel to maintain a neat appearance at minimum expense. Although these shops are seldom connected with the spread of disease, the potential exists if they are not operated in a sanitary manner. Reference (a) sets standards for the sanitary operation of Barber and Beauty shops within the jurisdiction of the Naval establishment.

4. Employees Medical Fitness. Employees of Barber/Beauty shops will adhere to the following personal hygiene and physical requirements:

a. Barber/Beauty operators will be free of communicable disease.

b. Pre-placement screenings by the Preventive Medicine Department are required to ensure selectee is free from communicable disease. Annual or special examinations may be required upon recommendation by the Environmental Health Officer.

5. Action. All areas, supplies, and equipment considering for use in Barber/Beauty shop functions must meet minimum sanitation requirements as set forth in reference (a).

a. Renovation of above areas and procurement of new equipment should be pursued after consultation with Preventive Medicine Department.

b. A copy of Barber/Beauty Shop Health and Sanitation Regulations (enclosure (1)) must be conspicuously displayed in all Barber/Beauty shops. All Barber/Beauty operators must read and comply with these regulations.

c. The Commanding Officer, Naval Health Clinic will delegate the Preventive Medicine Department to conduct quarterly sanitary inspections to ensure compliance with these regulations.

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BARBER AND BEAUTY SHOP HEALTH & SANITATION REGULATIONS

1. The following regulations will be observed in all barber and beauty shops under the scope of the Superintendent.

a. Barber/Beauty shop employees must wash hands thoroughly with soap and warm water between patrons and after touching inanimate objects that are likely to be contaminated.

b. A clean smock or over garment must be worn while attending patrons.

c. Only FDA approved tonics, lotions, bleaches, dyes, and EPA registered disinfectants are acceptable in Naval facilities.

d. Therapeutic practices, such as treating pimples, eye conditions, ingrown hair, etc., are prohibited.

e. The headrest of barber chairs must be covered with a clean towel or a clean sheet of paper for each patron.

f. Common brushes, dusters, etc., are prohibited.

g. The use of razors or disposable razors is prohibited.

h. Individual sanitary neck strips must be used for each patron.

i. Covering cloths must be changed daily or as often as necessary to ensure cleanliness.

j. Operator's street clothing must be stored separately from that of patrons.

k. No eating/drinking or smoking while attending patrons.

l. Clean, covered sanitary receptacles must be provided for waste materials and used linen. Receptacles should be lined with disposable bags.

m. Removal of cut hair from decks must be done frequently by dustless methods. Floors must be washed with detergent and water at frequent intervals to prevent the accumulation of dirt.

n. When compressed air is used to remove hair from patrons, the pressure must be 15 pounds per square inch or less.

o. Serving patrons with inflamed or infectious conditions of the scalp, face, or neck without the written consent of a Medical Officer is prohibited.

p. After use on each patron, all instruments (metallic and non-metallic) including removable clipper heads, combs, brushes, etc., must be cleaned, disinfected, and washed with soap or detergent and hot water to remove film, oil, and debris. Following cleaning, the entire instrument must be placed in an EPA-registered disinfecting solution (i.e. Barbicide) for the recommended time listed on the instruction label. Due to patron load, some facilities may require solutions to be changed daily or more frequently as needed. Unless otherwise indicated by the label, all disinfecting solutions must be changed at least weekly. All instruments disinfected in a chemical solution must be thoroughly rinsed in running potable water to remove the chemical prior to use.

q. Non-removable clipper heads must be wiped and sprayed with an EPA registered disinfectant between each patron. Precautions to spray include minimum use, spray away from breathing zone of user and patron, minimize skin contact, and wash hands after spraying.

r. Formaldehyde cabinets and ultraviolet light are not acceptable methods of disinfection in Naval Barber/Beauty shops.