

TITLE 172                      PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE

CHAPTER 55                      DENTAL OFFICE MAINTENANCE

001. SCOPE AND AUTHORITY. These regulations govern Dental Office Maintenance as set out in Nebraska Revised Statute (Neb. Rev. Stat.) § 38-1125.

002. SPACE. In order to maintain conditions of safety and sanitation, each dental office shall contain adequate space for a clinical area, reception room, supply room, toilet facilities, and facilities to maintain sanitary conditions.

003. WATER. Each dental office must be supplied with hot and cold running water in such quantities as necessary to conduct such a dental office in a sanitary manner. Connections shall be made to a municipal or other public water supply system whenever feasible.

004. MAINTENANCE. Dental offices shall be kept well lighted, well ventilated, and in a sanitary condition. All windows, walls, floors, areas used by patients, and all furniture and fixtures must be kept clean at all times.

005. TOWELS. All linen, towels and similar material must be strictly single service use for each patient. If reusable, no towel or linen that has been used on one patient shall be used on another patient until it has first been properly laundered.

006. EQUIPMENT, INSTRUMENTS AND IMPLEMENTS. All dental machines and equipment utilizing electrical components must be properly and safety installed, operated and maintained. All dental instruments and implements which come in contact with patients must be sanitized and any instruments coming in contact with a patient's bodily secretions shall be sterilized before use on any other patient.