

**WAC 296-307-16170 Cots, beds, bedding, and personal storage.**

(1) The operator must provide beds, cots, or bunks in good condition for the maximum occupancy approved by the department of health for operator-supplied housing;

(2) The operator must allow the use of cots in tents for cherry harvest camps only. Cots must be sturdy and stable and without:

- (a) Visible mold;
- (b) Rips or tears;
- (c) Insect infestation;
- (d) Stains from bodily fluids; and
- (e) Rodents or rodent droppings.

(3) In TWH other than cherry harvest camps, the operator must provide beds and bunks with clean mattresses in good repair and without:

- (a) Mold;
- (b) Rips or tears;
- (c) Insect infestation;
- (d) Stains from bodily fluids; or
- (e) Rodents or rodent droppings.

(4) If provided by the operator, the operator must maintain bedding in a clean and sanitary condition;

(5) The operator must locate all beds, cots, and bedding at least thirty-six inches from cooking surfaces;

(6) The operator must provide a minimum of twelve inches of clearance between each cot, bed or bunk and the floor;

(7) The operator must allow space to separate beds or cots laterally and end-to-end by at least thirty-six inches when single beds or cots are used;

(8) The operator must meet the following requirements when bunk beds are used:

(a) Allow space to separate beds laterally and end-to-end by at least forty-eight inches;

(b) Maintain a minimum space of twenty-seven inches between the upper and lower bunks; and

(c) Prohibit triple bunks.

(9) The operator must provide all occupants suitable storage space for clothing and personal articles. Storage space must be located in the occupant's room used for sleeping;

(10) Effective January 1, 2017, for each temporary worker housed in a common sleeping facility, the operator must provide suitable storage space that must:

(a) Ensure all or a portion of the storage space is enclosed and lockable;

(b) Be anchored in a manner which adequately prevents the storage space from being removed from the building; and

(c) Be accessible to the temporary worker.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 49.17.010, 49.17.040, 49.17.050, and 49.17.060. WSR 20-21-091, § 296-307-16170, filed 10/20/20, effective 11/20/20; WSR 15-13-092, § 296-307-16170, filed 6/15/15, effective 1/1/16. Statutory Authority: RCW 49.17.010, [49.17].040, and [49.17].050 and 1999 c 374. WSR 00-06-081, § 296-307-16170, filed 3/1/00, effective 3/1/00.]