

WAC 246-830-500 Equipment and sanitation. (1) A massage therapist using hydrotherapies including, but not limited to, cabinet, vapor or steam baths, whirlpool, hot tub or tub baths must have available adequate shower facilities.

(2) All cabinets, showers, tubs, basins, massage or steam tables, hydrotherapy equipment, and all other fixed equipment used must be thoroughly cleansed using an effective bactericidal agent.

(3) Combs, brushes, shower caps, mechanical, massage and hydrotherapy instruments, or bathing devices that come in contact with the body must be sterilized or disinfected by modern and approved methods and instruments. Devices, equipment or parts thereof having been used on one person must be sterilized or disinfected before being used on another person.

(4) Impervious material must cover, full length and width, all massage tables or pads, pillows, bolsters, and face cradles directly under fresh sheets and linens or disposable paper sheets.

(5) A massage therapist must provide single service materials or clean linen such as sheets, towels, gowns, pillow cases, and all other linens used in the practice of massage. Linens must be stored in a sanitary manner.

(6) All towels and linens used for one client or patient must be laundered or cleaned before they are used on any other client or patient.

(7) All soiled linens must be immediately placed in a covered receptacle.

(8) Soap and clean towels must be provided by the massage therapist for use by massage therapists, clients or patients and any employees.

(9) All equipment must be clean, well maintained and in good repair.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.108.025 (1)(a), 18.108.085 (1)(a), 43.70.041 and chapter 18.108 RCW. WSR 17-14-062, § 246-830-500, filed 6/29/17, effective 7/30/17.]