

**WAC 246-215-04400 Location—Equipment, clothes washers and dryers, and storage cabinets, contamination prevention (FDA Food Code 4-401.11).** (1) Except as specified in subsection (2) of this section, EQUIPMENT, a cabinet used for the storage of FOOD, or a cabinet that is used to store cleaned and SANITIZED EQUIPMENT, UTENSILS, laundered LINENS, and SINGLE-SERVICE and SINGLE-USE ARTICLES may not be located:

- (a) In locker rooms;
- (b) In toilet rooms;
- (c) In garbage rooms;
- (d) In mechanical rooms;
- (e) Under sewer lines that are not shielded to intercept potential drips;
- (f) Under leaking water lines including automatic fire sprinkler heads or under lines on which water has condensed;
- (g) Under open stairwells; or
- (h) Under other sources of contamination.

(2) A storage cabinet used for LINENS or SINGLE-SERVICE or SINGLE-USE ARTICLES may be stored in a locker room.

(3) If a mechanical clothes washer or dryer is provided, it must be located so that the washer or dryer is protected from contamination and only where there is no exposed FOOD; clean EQUIPMENT, UTENSILS, and LINENS; and unwrapped SINGLE-SERVICE and SINGLE-USE ARTICLES.

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