

# Public *Accommodation* Facilities *Regulations*

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## Appendix J:

### *Sterilization Plant Reciprocity Application*

*(Now based on SNHD Regulations Governing the Sanitation and Safety of Used Mattresses, Bedding, and Upholstered Furniture, Approved October 27, 2007)*

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## **Applicable Southern Nevada Health District Regulations Governing the Sanitation and Safety of Public Accommodation Facilities**

### **4.6 Used bedding**

- 4.6.1** The responsible person may not sell, trade, give away, or otherwise allow the transfer of any used bedding from his public accommodation facility for use in another public accommodation facility unless the used bedding is first sterilized by an approved sterilization process at a sterilization plant that has been approved by the Health Authority or otherwise disinfected in accordance with NAC 444.001 through 444.006. This prohibition does not include the exchange of furniture and mattresses that are in good condition between properties that are operated under the same management group, when such a need arises.
- 4.6.2** No used bedding may be recovered from any landfill, dump, dumpster or other waste disposal, junkyard, or hospital for the purpose of reuse in a public accommodation facility even after sterilization at an approved sterilization plant.
- 4.6.3** Used bedding which has been sterilized in a sterilization plant approved by the Health Authority, otherwise disinfected in accordance with NAC 444.001 through 444.006 or transported for sale in Southern Nevada from another jurisdiction must be labeled with a waterproof tag permanently affixed on each article of bedding. The label must state "Sterilized", "Disinfected" or "Sanitized" and, "Secondhand," in accordance with the language required by the jurisdiction in which the bedding was processed. The label must include the name, address, and Health Permit number of the sterilization plant.
- 4.6.4** The owner of a sterilization plant located outside of the Health Authority's jurisdiction may submit an application for reciprocity approval (***see Appendix J for a sample application***) if the sterilization plant meets all of the requirements of NRS 444.010 through 444.040, NAC 444.001 through 444.006, and **Section 4.6** of these Regulations inclusive, and has a current Health Permit in good standing from the agency of jurisdiction.

## **Applicable Southern Nevada Health District Regulations Governing the Sanitation and Safety of Used Mattresses, Bedding, and Upholstered Furniture**

Regulation above in its entirety as approved by the Southern Nevada District Board of Health applies.

## Applicable State of Nevada Law

### Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 444: *Sanitation*

#### NRS 444.010-444.040, *Used Bedding and Mattresses*

**NRS 444.010 Sterilization and labeling required.** After March 21, 1935, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, association or corporation, engaged in the operation of the business of manufacturing, making, renovating and selling mattresses, bed coverings, sheets, pillows and other similar bedding used for sleeping purposes, in this state, to sell or to offer to sell, or to dispose of any used or secondhand bedding, as described in NRS 444.010 to 444.040, inclusive, directly or indirectly, without first having the same thoroughly sterilized and securely labeled with a tag sewed on each article, marked thereon "Sterilized, Secondhand," which tag shall show the name of the manufacturer, renovator or dealer. [1:77:1935; 1931 NCL § 5314.01]

**NRS 444.020 State board of health to adopt regulations concerning method of sterilization.** The state board of health shall prescribe rules, regulations, method and process of sterilization as mentioned in NRS 444.010 to 444.040, inclusive. [2:77:1935; 1931 NCL § 5314.02]

**NRS 444.030 Enforcement by health authority.** The health authority shall enforce all the provisions of NRS 444.010 to 444.040 inclusive, and the rules, regulations, method and process of sterilization authorized by NRS 444.010 to 444.040, inclusive. [3:77:1935; A 1945, 126; 1943 NCL § 5314.03]—(NRS A 1969, 1019)

**NRS 444.040 Penalty.** Every person violating any of the provisions of NRS 444.010 to 444.030 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. [4:77:1935; 1931 NCL § 5314.04]

### Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 444: *Sanitation*

#### NAC 444.001-444.006, *Sterilization of Used Bedding, as amended*

#### Laws and Regulations in Jurisdictions Likely to Export to Nevada:

*State of California Business and Professions Code*  
*SECTION 19000 THROUGH 19221*

*State of Arizona Title 36, Arizona Revised Statutes*  
*36-796.04: Sterilization, disinfection, and disinfestations of bedding and materials.*

*Utah Code -- Title 04 -- Chapter 10 -- Bedding, Upholstered Furniture, and Quilted Clothing Inspection Act.*

## Process to Sanitize Used Mattresses, Bedding, and/or Furniture Application Guide – A Guide for Preparing a Health Permit or Request for a Letter of Approval for Reciprocity Application

### Application Format

Two copies of the application shall be submitted, each in a three-ring binder under signature or the Responsible Person, or designee, such as a professional engineer, with the information requested in the regulations inserted in the following tabs:

- Tab (a) Insert completed “**Application for Health Permit or Letter of Approval for Reciprocity for Distribution of Renovated and/or Sanitized Used Mattresses, Bedding, and Upholstered Furniture**” form.
- Tab (b) Insert a copy of proof of ownership or lease agreement for the land on which the processing facility will be located.
- Tab (c) Insert the **Report of the Design** of the processing facility that complies with the provisions of **Section 5.17** of these Regulations. Include any variance approval of *NAC 444.002 Methods of sterilization* issued by the State Board Health, if applicable.
- Tab (d) Insert the **Plan for Operating** the process facility that complies with the provisions of **Section 5.17** of these Regulations. Include any variance approval of *NAC 444.003 Approval of sterilization process* issued by the State Board of Health, if applicable.
- Tab (e) Insert the List of the **Anticipated Types, Quantities and Sources of Reused Materials** that will be received and processed at the process facility.
- Tab (f) Insert any other information that the Health Authority requires to evaluate the proposed operation of the processing facility. This would include, at a minimum, proof of land use and business license approval from the local jurisdiction, manufacturer’s specifications and materials safety data sheets (MSDS), and third party proof of efficacy.
- Appendix Any attachments including zoning maps, diagrams, site drawings, and other information that would not fit easily in the (a) through (f) tabs can be inserted in an appendix as tabs numbered 1, 2, 3, ..... at the end of the application. Drawings shall be folded and inserted into three-ring folders.

In the event there are any revisions subsequent to the application approval, provide an inside cover page showing what was revised, revision number, and page(s) revised.

In addition, it is important to note that any modifications to the application shall be submitted for approval using the SAME “**Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) Application for Health Permit or Letter of Approval for Reciprocity for Distribution of Renovated and/or Sanitized Used Mattresses, Bedding, and Upholstered Furniture**” form, circling “YES” to the question, “Is this a modification to an existing Health Permit or Letter of Approval for Reciprocity.”