PEDICURE FOOTBATH/WHIRLPOOL DISINFECTION:

- Pedicure footbaths, footspas, whirlpools, and air-jet basins must be cleaned and disinfected after each use.
- After use on customer, drain water from footbath.
- Scrub all visible residue and debris from the inside walls of the footbath using clean water, liquid soap or detergent, and a clean, disinfected brush fitted with a handle.
- Scrubbing brushes shall be treated like any other multi-use implement, and after each use must be cleaned, disinfected and stored as specified under “RECOMMENDED DISINFECTION PROCEDURES”.
- Keep records of pedicure equipment cleaning and disinfecting.

Prohibited items: credo blades, shaving brushes, shaving mugs, and any multi-use tool that is unable to be adequately cleaned and disinfected, such as porous pumice stones.

Proper storage of tools:

Improper storage / Automatic Failure of Inspection:

AT THE END OF EACH DAY OF USE:

1. Remove screen(s) from footbath.
2. Clean screens, areas behind screens, and all removable parts of the footbath using clean water, soap or detergent, and a clean, disinfected brush with a handle. Be sure to remove all visible debris and residue.
3. Replace screen.
4. Fill footbath with clean warm water and soap or detergent. Circulate solution through footbath for 5 to 10 minutes. Drain and rinse with clean water.
5. Refill footbath with clean water and add disinfectant solution so that it is properly diluted per the manufacturer’s directions. Circulate disinfectant solution through the footbath for the time period specified by the manufacturer’s directions.
6. Turn unit off. Let disinfectant solution remain in footbath overnight.
7. In the morning or before the first client, drain and flush the system using clean water.

Recommended Disinfection Procedures for Multi-Use Tools & Equipment in Nail Salons

This pamphlet describes recommended cleaning and disinfection procedures for multi-use tools and equipment in nail salons, and is designed for use by nail salon operators and technicians.

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PREVENTING INFECTION:

Manicures, pedicures, and artificial nails have become increasingly popular in recent years. Nail salon operators and technicians must understand and routinely follow proper cleaning and disinfection procedures of equipment and multi-use tools. The purpose of following proper disinfection procedures is to reduce the risk of infection.

An Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) registered disinfectant shall be used and available at all times. The disinfectant product label must clearly identify an EPA Registration Number, and state that the product is a medical or hospital grade disinfectant. Be sure to follow the manufacturer’s directions for proper dilution of the disinfectant. Other methods of disinfection must be approved by the Director of Health.

CLEAN – process which removes all visible debris and residue by washing with warm water and liquid soap or detergent

DISINFECTION – process which destroys infection causing microorganisms through treatment with a disinfectant solution

All multi-use tools and equipment that come in contact with a client must be properly cleaned and disinfected after each use.

RECOMMENDED DISINFECTION PROCEDURES:

1. Clean multi-use tools and equipment of all visible debris and residue after every use in a designated utility sink using clean water and liquid soap or detergent.
2. After cleaning, completely immerse (enough liquid to cover all surfaces) tools in an EPA registered, medical grade disinfectant for the time period specified by the manufacturer’s directions. Most Barbicide solutions require a 10 minute contact time.
3. Remove tools from disinfectant solution using clean tongs or gloved hands. Allow disinfected tools to air dry in an area where they are safe from contamination.
4. Store clean, disinfected tools in a clean, closed, labeled container, completely separate from used, unclean tools.
   - Never immerse an electric tool in water. See “ELECTRIC NAIL FILE” section for disinfection directions of equipment not designed for submersion in water.
   - Never mix ammonia with chlorine bleach.

GENERAL HYGIENE:

- Before providing any service, employees must wash hands with warm water and antibacterial liquid hand soap for at least 20 seconds using a designated hand sink.
- Client hands shall be cleaned with warm water and antibacterial liquid hand soap prior to beginning manicure treatment. The same is required for feet prior to pedicure treatment.
- A clean towel is to be used for each client. Clean towels shall be stored in a clean cabinet with tight fitting doors.
- No persons affected with open lesions, boils, infected wounds, and/or communicable diseases shall be attended.
- Nail technicians must refrain from working while experiencing open lesions, boils, infected wounds, and/or communicable diseases.

MAINTAINING SANITARY WORK SPACE:

- A properly diluted disinfectant solution must be provided at each nail station.
- Disinfectant solutions shall be covered with a fitted lid.
- All client work areas, including nail tables and footrests shall be kept clean at all times. There shall be no accumulation of debris such as nail dust or nail pieces.
- After using a multi-use tool (for example, a metal nail clipper) the tool must be cleaned, disinfected, and stored as specified under “RECOMMENDED DISINFECTION PROCEDURES”.
- Used, single service nail tools must be immediately disposed of after each use.
- Used, single service nail tools must never be stored with clean, disinfected tools, or with other unused single service implements.
- Single service tools such as nail buffers, emery boards, orangesticks, and disposable nail bits may be kept for the original customer only if stored in a clean, covered container labeled with the customer’s name and contact information.
- All chemicals, lotions and disinfectant solutions must be clearly labeled.

ELECTRIC NAIL FILE DISINFECTION:

1. Equipment not designed for submersion in liquid (such as electric nail files) shall be wiped clean of all dust and debris using a clean towel.
2. Spray equipment until saturated with a properly diluted disinfectant solution.
3. Allow to air dry before storing in a clean, covered, labeled container.
- Single-use electric nail bit attachments such as arbor bands and sanders must be disposed of immediately after use.
- Multi-use metal electric nail bit attachments shall be cleaned, disinfected, and stored as specified under “RECOMMENDED DISINFECTION PROCEDURES”.

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