



# Commonwealth of Virginia

Department of Health  
Bedding and Upholstered Furniture Inspection  
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## Process to Sanitize Inquiry

The Commonwealth of Virginia, Bedding and Upholstered Furniture Law sections that pertain to the issue of permits for use of process to sanitize secondhand bedding and/or upholstered furniture are as follows:

### **Section 32.1-215, Disposal Restrictions and Permit for Process:**

Any person offering to rent, sell, barter, give away, or dispose of in any other commercial manner any secondhand (i.e. prior use) article of bedding or upholstered furniture is required to assure that such has been sanitized by a process approved by the Commissioner prior to disposal to the public.

### **Section 32.1-216, 32.1-218, Permit and Fees for Sanitization Process:**

Commonwealth approval of intended process and any apparatus and method to be used must first be certified and annual fees received for award of annual permit prior to application of process and disposal to the public.

### **Section 32.1-219, 32.1-221, Labeling Requirement:**

Labeling of all articles is required. Any person sanitizing, remaking, renovating or reupholstering any secondhand (i.e. prior use) item of bedding or upholstered furniture or manufacturing any such items shall securely attach to it a substantial yellow cloth tag or equivalent to all such articles which will be offered to the public in Virginia. A complete description of the material(s) used to fill the article is required to be stamped or printed thereon. The Registration Number of the manufacturer/remanufacturer identifying him as the maker and the Permit Number of the sanitizer is to be displayed on the uniform law label.

If you decide to extend your operations to include the Commonwealth of Virginia, please submit the following:

- (1) Complete both sides of the license and/or permit application;
- (2) Check for annual fee payable to the "Virginia Department of Health" for \$60.00 for Sanitizer's Permit; and
- (3) Two copies of your uniform law label for approval, if available. If not presently available you must submit those to this office at a later date when first available.

Enclosures:      License Application  
                          Law Booklet  
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