

IN-PROGRESS CHANGES TO VIRGINIA'S BEDDING REGULATIONS

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No law label required by this chapter shall contain false or misleading statements, terms, or designations. **Filling materials shall be listed by generic textile names in order of descending predominance.** The removal, defacement, or alteration of any law label prior to retail sale is prohibited. Law labels shall contain no advertising matter, nor anything that detracts from the required statements. **No person shall place a mark, tag, sticker, or any other device on a law label that covers the required statements indicated in Figures 1 and 2, unless the Bedding Program provides written approval.** No person shall use any law label unless licensed or permitted under this chapter.

All stamp or print on law labels required by this section shall be legible and at least 1/8th inch in height and capitalized, unless otherwise indicated in Figures 1 and 2.

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B. New bedding and upholstered furniture, filling material.

A white law label shall be securely attached, in a position where it can be conveniently examined on the outside covering of every item of new bedding or upholstered furniture, or any filling material, however contained. Law labels shall be made of durable, tear-resistant white cloth or equivalent, and shall be at least six square inches in size. All label printing shall be resistant to fading, bleeding, and abrasion, and all text shall be in English and clearly legible. **Law label contents shall conform to the layout and requirements indicated by Figure 1, as appropriate.** Law labels for new bedding and upholstered furniture shall be securely attached to the article at the point of manufacture; labels for filling material shall be securely attached to shipment packaging, or printed directly on retail packaging, prior to delivery or shipment.

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D. Permits.

Every **Sterilizer**, Sanitizer, Reupholsterer, and Renovator shall obtain a permit for each place of business where bedding and upholstered furniture are **sterilized**, sanitized, reupholstered, or renovated, before offering those products for sale in the Commonwealth.

1. Any person applying for a Sanitizer or Sterilizer permit must submit a description of the process by which filling materials, bedding, or upholstered furniture will be sanitized or **sterilized**.

3. All processes used to sterilize animal feathers, hair, or down shall comply with the requirements of 12VAC5-125-110.

Proposing to use standards from PA, UT, and proposed additional standard for washing and drying (see next slide)



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12VAC5-125-110. Sterilization of new animal hair, feathers and down.

A. No article of new bedding or upholstered furniture using animal hair, feathers or down for filling material shall be sold or offered for sale unless such animal hair, feathers, or down has been sterilized by a permitted Sterilizer in accordance with this chapter.

B. Persons applying for approval of a process by which animal hair, feathers, or down are sterilized shall submit to the Bedding Program a description of the process, test results and any apparatus and method to be used in such process. The following general processes are considered approved methods of sterilization; a list of specific methods and products shall be maintained by the Bedding Program.

1. Treatment by steam under pressure, at 15 pounds maintained for 30 minutes or at 20 pounds maintained for 20 minutes. A gauge for registering steam pressure, visible from the outside of the room, shall be provided.
2. Treatment by two applications of streaming steam, maintained for a period of one hour each, applied at intervals of not less than six, nor more than 24 hours. Valved outlets shall be provided near the top and bottom of the room.
3. Containment in a closed container held at a temperature of 235°F(113°C) for 2 hours.
4. Washing at a temperature of at least 140°F (60°C), followed by complete drying at a temperature of at least 158°F (70°C).

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E. Uniform Registry Numbers.

Licensed or permitted Manufacturers, Supply Dealers, Sterilizers, Sanitizers, Reupholsterers, and Renovators will be assigned a uniform registry number (URN). **The Bedding Program will recognize a URN issued by another state and assign the URN if the applicant has a currently valid license for that URN from the issuing state at the time of application, and the URN and copy of the valid license are supplied together with the license or permit application.**

1. Manufacturers, Supply Dealers, Sterilizers, Sanitizers, Reupholsterers, and Renovators shall use their assigned URN on all law labels as provided in 12VAC5-125-90.
2. **Importers and Distributors shall use the URNs assigned to the licensed Manufacturers of the imported or distributed product on all law labels as provided in 12VAC5-125-90.**



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B. Procedure for obtaining a license or permit.

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2. Before license or permit issuance, the Bedding Program must conduct **one or more preoperational inspections of all Manufacturers, Supply Dealers, Sterilizers, Sanitizers, Reupholsterers, and Renovators, located in the Commonwealth of Virginia, not licensed or permitted in the previous year.** This preoperational inspection must demonstrate the Manufacturer, Supply Dealer, Sterilizer, Sanitizer, Reupholsterer, or Renovator complies with the requirements of this chapter.

C. Licenses.

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2. **A Manufacturer must be licensed as required under this chapter prior to an Importer or Distributor obtaining a license to import or distribute from that Manufacturer.**



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"Distributor" means any person who receives bedding, upholstered furniture, or filling materials from another company **inside the United States** for the purpose of resale.

"Importer" means any person who receives from another company bedding, upholstered furniture, or filling material **from any country other than the United States** for the purpose of resale.

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CURRENT LANGUAGE

C1. Every importer and every person manufacturing, renovating or reupholstering any bedding or upholstered furniture or processing or selling any filling material to be used in articles of bedding or upholstered furniture, such as a distributor/wholesaler or supply dealer, **shall first obtain a license from the commissioner for each place of business, subsidiary, branch or branch factory** operated or contracted by him for such purpose.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE

C. Licenses.

Every Manufacturer, Importer, Distributor, and Supply Dealer **shall obtain a license for each business, subsidiary, or branch** where bedding and upholstered furniture products are manufactured, imported, or distributed, before offering those products for sale in the Commonwealth. Each location of a Manufacturer must obtain a separate license for each place of manufacture.

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1. Importers and Distributors shall be licensed to import or distribute only from Manufacturers listed on the license application. **To add a Manufacturer to this list during the license year, the Importer or Distributor shall notify the Bedding Program in writing on an approved form, and ensure the license fees paid during that license year are current with the new total number of manufacturers (as provided by the fee schedule at 12VAC5-125-180).**
2. A Manufacturer must be licensed as required under this chapter prior to an Importer or Distributor obtaining a license to import or distribute from that Manufacturer.

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Questions?