WAC 388-107-0900 Laundry. The facility must provide laundry and linen services on the premises, or by contract with a commercial laun-
dry. If laundry services are provided on-site, the facility must en-
Sure that laundry facilities, equipment, handling and processes pro-
vide residents with linen and laundered items that are clean, in good
repair and adequate to meet the needs of residents. The facility:
(1) Must handle, clean, and store linen according to acceptable
methods of infection control, and:
(a) Ensure all staff wear appropriate personal protective equip-
ment and use appropriate infection control practices when handling
laundry;
(b) Ensure that damp textiles or fabrics are not left in machines
for longer than twelve hours;
(c) Ensure that gross soil is removed before washing and proper
washing and drying procedures are used; and
(d) Ensure that contaminated textiles and fabrics are handled
with minimum agitation to avoid contamination of air, surfaces and
persons.
(2) Must equip the laundry area with:
(a) A utility sink;
(b) A table or counter for folding clean laundry;
(c) At least one washing machine and one clothes dryer; and
(d) Mechanical ventilation to the exterior.
(3) Must use and maintain laundry equipment according to manufac-
turer's instructions.
(4) Must use washing machines that have a continuous supply of
hot water with a temperature of one hundred forty degrees Fahrenheit,
or that automatically dispense a chemical sanitizer and detergent or
wash additives as specified by the manufacturer, whenever the licensee
washes:
(a) Enhanced services facility laundry;
(b) Enhanced services facility laundry combined with residents'
laundry into a single load; or
(c) More than one resident's laundry combined into a single load.
(5) May allow residents to wash their individual personal laun-
dry, separate from other laundry, at temperatures below one hundred
forty degrees Fahrenheit provided chemicals suitable for low tempera-
ture washing at proper use concentration and according to the cleaning
instructions of the textile, fabric or clothing.
(6) Must ventilate laundry rooms and areas to the exterior in-
cluding areas or rooms where soiled laundry is held for processing by
offsite commercial laundry services.
(7) Must locate laundry equipment in rooms other than those used
for open food storage, food preparation or food service.

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