WAC 388-107-0920 Kitchen. The facility must provide food service on the premises or by contract with a commercial kitchen. If the facility provides food service on-site, the facility must ensure food service areas are in compliance with chapter 246-215 and 246-217 WAC, state board of health rules governing food service sanitation. The facility providing on-site food service must:

(a) Ensure food service areas are provided for the purpose of preparing, serving, and storing food and drink;

(b) Ensure food service areas are located to facilitate receiving of food supplies, disposal of kitchen waste, and transportation of food to dining and resident care areas;

(c) Locate and arrange the kitchen to avoid contamination of food, to prevent heat and noise entering resident care areas, and to prevent through traffic;

(d) Conveniently locate a handwashing sink near the food preparation and dishwashing area, and include a waste receptacle and dispensers stocked with soap and paper towels;

(e) Adequately ventilate, light, and equip the dishwashing room or area for sanitary processing of dishes;

(f) Locate the garbage storage area in a well-ventilated room or an outside area;

(g) Provide space for an office or a desk and files for food service management located central to deliveries and kitchen operations; and

(h) Include housekeeping facilities or a janitor's closet for the exclusive use of food service with a service sink and storage space for housekeeping equipment and supplies.

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