

**481—58.38(135C) Supplies.****58.38(1) Linen supplies.**

- a. There shall be an adequate supply of linen so that each resident shall have at least three washcloths, hand towels, and bath towels per week. (III)
- b. A complete change of bed linens shall be available in the linen storage area for each bed. (III)
- c. Sufficient lightweight, clean, serviceable blankets shall be available. All blankets shall be laundered as often as necessary for cleanliness and freedom from odors. (III)
- d. Each bed shall be provided with clean, washable bedspreads. There shall be a supply available when changes are necessary. (III)
- e. Uncrowded and convenient storage shall be provided for linens, pillows, and bedding. (III)

**58.38(2) First-aid kit.** A first-aid emergency kit shall be available on each floor in every facility. (II, III)

**58.38(3) Supplies and equipment for nursing services.**

- a. All nursing care equipment shall be properly sanitized or sterilized before use by another resident. (II)
- b. There shall be disposable or one-time use items available with provisions for proper disposal to prevent reuse except as allowed by generally accepted infection control standards. (I, II, III)
- c. Convenient, safe storage shall be provided for bath and toilet supplies, bathroom scales, mechanical lifts, and shower chairs. (III)
- d. Sanitary and protective storage shall be provided for all equipment and supplies. (III)
- e. All items that must be sterilized shall be autoclaved unless sterile disposable items are furnished which are promptly disposed of after a single use. (III)
- f. Supplies and equipment for nursing and personal care sufficient in quantities to meet the needs of the residents shall be provided. (III)

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