MP 5.2 – HIGHER RISK PERSONAL APPEARANCE SERVICES

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Purpose

To minimise the risk of infection in a place of business where higher risk personal appearance services are provided.

Commencement

This version of MP 5.2 commences on 1 January 2008 and replaces Part 15 published on 1 July 2004.

Application

This standard applies to places of business where higher risk personal appearance services are provided to the public as part of a business transaction.

Referral Agency

The local government is a concurrence agency as per item 21 in schedule 2 of the Integrated Planning Regulation 1998.

Associated Requirements

- Public Health (Infection Control for Personal Appearance Services) Act 2003
- Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002
- Standard Plumbing and Drainage Regulation 2003
- Building Regulation 2006

Definitions

Note: Italicised words within the body of the text are defined.

Acceptable solution - means solutions which are deemed to satisfy the performance criteria.

Body piercing - means the process of penetrating a person’s skin or mucous membrane with a sharp instrument for the purpose of implanting jewellery or other foreign material through or into the skin or mucous membrane.

Body piercing does not include the process of piercing a person’s ear or nose with a closed piercing instrument that-
- (a) does not come into contact with the person’s skin or mucous membrane; and
- (b) is fitted with a sterilised, single-use disposable cartridge containing sterilised jewellery and fittings.
**Business transaction** - means a transaction in which a service is provided for payment or other consideration.

**Higher risk personal appearance service** - means a personal appearance service involving any of the following *skin penetration* procedures in which the release of blood or other bodily fluid is an expected result-

(a) *body piercing*;
(b) implanting natural or synthetic substances into a person’s skin, including, for example, hairs or beads;
(c) scarring or cutting a person’s skin using a sharp instrument to make a permanent mark, pattern or design;
(d) *tattooing*;
(e) another *skin penetration* procedure prescribed under a regulation made under the *Public Health (Infection Control for Personal Appearance Services) Act 2003*.

**Performance criteria** - means the outcome that must be achieved for an element of a building or structure or part of a building or structure.

**Place of business** - means premises where a *higher risk personal appearance service* is provided.

**Skin penetration** - means a procedure for the purpose of altering or enhancing a person’s appearance that involves the piercing, cutting, scarring, scraping, puncturing or tearing of a person’s skin or mucous membrane with an instrument.

**Tattooing** - means to penetrate a person’s skin and insert into it colour pigments to make a permanent mark, pattern or design on the skin. *Tattooing* also includes any process, for example the process known as cosmetic *tattooing* or semi-permanent make-up, that penetrates the skin and inserts into it colour pigments to make a semi-permanent mark, pattern or design on the skin.
PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Functionality

**P1**  A place of business must be suitably planned and fitted out to effectively minimise infection risks, taking into consideration-

(a) separation of clean or sterile items from contaminated items; and

(b) convenient access by operators to hand basins from a number of rooms.

**A1**  A place of business consisting of a single room or multiple rooms incorporates-

(a) a clean zone within a room, or rooms where clean or sterilised items are stored and a hand basin complying with A2(a) is located; and

(b) a dirty or contaminated zone within a room, or rooms where contaminated items are placed to await cleaning, and where the cleaning sinks, instrument washers and sterilisers complying with A2(b) are located.

Hand washing, instrument and equipment cleaning facilities

**P2**  A place of business must be provided with suitable hand washing and instrument cleaning facilities to provide and maintain hygienic conditions.

**A2**  A place of business is provided with hand washing and instrument cleaning facilities which consist of-

(a) at least one hand-washing basin for each five workstations or part thereof with-

(i) bowl dimensions of not less than 400 mm x 250 mm; and

(ii) reticulated cold water controlled by non-touch taps and includes wrist, elbow, knee, foot or sensor operated taps; and

(iii) unobstructed space
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<td>(iv) the basin situated not more than 5m from any work station unobstructed by walls or fixtures; and</td>
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<td>(v) each hand-washing basin located between 800mm and 1000mm above the floor; and</td>
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<td>(b) at least one sink solely for washing and cleaning instruments and equipment with-</td>
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**Finishing Materials**

**P3** The floors, walls, ceilings, benches and cupboard surfaces, workstations and any areas used in conjunction with workstations, must be finished in materials suitable to enable easy cleaning.

**A3** (a) The finished floor surface consists of a material that is free of cracks, irregularities, and imperfections and includes-

(i) ceramic tiles; or
(ii) sealed cork tiles; or
(iii) plastic tiles or sheeting; or
(iv) polyurethane sealed
(a) All finishes and surfaces including walls, ceilings, benches and work station areas on which instruments are placed must:

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(b) The finished wall surfaces consist of a material that is easily cleaned when painted or sealed and includes-

| (i) sealed smooth concrete; or | (i) sealed smooth concrete; or |
| (ii) rendered hard plaster; or | (ii) rendered hard plaster; or |
| (iii) smooth concrete masonry; or | (iii) smooth concrete masonry; or |
| (iv) smooth clay masonry; or | (iv) smooth clay masonry; or |
| (v) timber boards; or | (v) timber boards; or |
| (vi) timber sheeting; or | (vi) timber sheeting; or |
| (vii) washable vinyl wallpaper; or | (vii) washable vinyl wallpaper; or |
| (viii) plasterboard. | (viii) plasterboard. |

(c) The finished ceiling surfaces consist of a material that is easily cleaned when painted or sealed and includes-

| (i) sealed smooth concrete; or | (i) sealed smooth concrete; or |
| (ii) rendered hard plaster; or | (ii) rendered hard plaster; or |
| (iii) plasterboard; or | (iii) plasterboard; or |
| (iv) timber; or | (iv) timber; or |
| (v) timber boards or sheeting; or | (v) timber boards or sheeting; or |
| (vi) vinyl faced board. | (vi) vinyl faced board. |

(d) All joinery and other finished surfaces including benches, cupboards, shelves and work station areas on which instruments are placed
### PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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Consist of a material that can be easily cleaned, is smooth and free from cracks and crevices and includes-

- (i) gloss paint or stain; or
- (ii) laminate; or
- (iii) glass; or
- (iv) stainless steel; or
- (v) epoxy resin.

The intersections between floors and walls are provided with -

- (i) coving at least 50mm high; or
- (ii) continuous skirting at least 50mm high consisting of timber, ceramic tiles or the like.

### Finishes – joining system

**P4** Internal wall, ceiling and floor finishes must have a suitable joining system to facilitate the maintenance of hygienic conditions.

**A4** Joints between-

- (a) wall and ceiling linings are flush with the surface; and
- (b) ceramic wall and floor tiling are filled with heavy duty 100% epoxy, acid resisting grouting in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations; and
- (c) wall and floor flexible PVC sheeting have heat welded seams; and
- (d) polypropylene sheeting has proprietary plastic mouldings.