

Chapter Ind 7

CLEANING AND DYEING

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Ind 7.001 Application and scope of rules. (1) The provisions of this code shall, except where there is specific reference to the contrary, apply to all new establishments hereinafter defined as dry cleaning or dry dyeing plants, and to additions to and alteration of existing dry cleaning or dry dyeing plants.

(2) Substandard existing dry cleaning or dry dyeing establishments shall be brought within the standards of this code insofar as may be directed by the industrial commission.

(3) Requirements of other codes issued by the industrial commission shall apply as they may be applicable in all matters falling within the scope of, but not specifically treated in this code.

Ind 7.002 Inspections. (1) The authorized inspectors of the department, upon presenting appropriate credentials to the owner, operator, or agent in charge, are authorized—

(a) To enter without delay and at reasonable times any factory, plant, establishment, construction site, or other areas, workplace or environment where work is performed by an employee of an employer; and

(b) To inspect and investigate during regular working hours and at other reasonable times, and within reasonable limits and in a reasonable manner, any such place of employment and all pertinent conditions, structures, machines, apparatus, devices, equipment, and materials therein, and to question privately any such employer, owner, operator, agent or employee.

(2) The inspector before making his inspection shall contact a representative of the employer and a representative authorized by his employees who shall be given an opportunity to accompany the inspector during the physical inspection of any workplace under subsection (1) for the purpose of aiding such inspection.

(a) Where there is no authorized employee representative, the inspector shall consult with a reasonable number of employees concerning matters of health and safety in the workplace.

Note: The department policy is not to give advance notice, but in the scheduling and in the act of inspecting it may not always be possible to avoid advance notice or to obtain accompaniment as, for example, inside boilers or in precarious locations of elevator installations, but otherwise these rules will be diligently observed.

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Ind 7.01 Definitions. For the purpose of these regulations, the following definitions shall apply. Terms not herein defined shall be understood as having their usual and ordinary meaning unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context.

(1) **DRY CLEANING.** The process of removing dirt, grease, paint and other stains from wearing apparel, furs, textiles, fabrics, rugs, etc., by use of any volatile commercial solvent substantially moisture-free, flammable or non-inflammable, (including, but not by way of limitation, petroleum distillates, coal tar distillates, and chlorinated hydrocarbons) by,

(a) Immersion and/or agitation with the solvent in open vessels.

(b) Immersion and/or with the solvent in closed machines.

(c) "Spotting" or local application of solvents to spots of dirt, grease, paints and stains not removed by the immersion and agitation process.

(d) "Brushing" or "Scouring" with cleaning solvents.

Exception: Occasional spotting or cleaning as incidental to the operation of a small tailoring or pressing shop or hat cleaning shop shall not be considered "dry cleaning", provided, however, that in such shop use shall be from a container not exceeding one quart capacity with not more than 5 gallons of solvent on the premises stored in approved safety containers.

(2) **DRY DYEING.** The process of dyeing clothes or other fabrics or textiles in a solution of dye colors and flammable liquids.

(3) **DRY DYEING AND/OR DRY DYEING PLANT.** Any building, room or premises equipped to perform the service of dry cleaning and/or dry dyeing.

(4) **NEW DRY CLEANING AND/OR DRY DYEING PLANT.** A plant, additions thereto, and alterations thereof for which plans have not been approved by the industrial commission or construction is not in progress, prior to the effective date of this code.

(5) **EXISTING DRY CLEANING AND/OR DRY DYEING PLANT.** A plant, additions thereto, and alterations thereof, structurally completed or for which plans have been approved by the industrial commission, and construction is in progress prior to the effective date of this code.

(6) **WASHING MACHINE OR WASHER.** A machine consisting of a stationary metal case or shell inside of which there is a revolving perforated cylinder, or any other approved type of washing machine for washing or rinsing wearing apparel, fabrics, textiles or articles of any sort.

(7) **EXTRACTOR.** A centrifugal machine used for removing surplus solvent from wearing apparel, fabrics, textiles or articles of any sort. The machine consists of an outer shell or casing inside of which is a revolving perforated metal basket.

(8) **DRYING TUMBLER.** A machine used in the dry cleaning or dry dyeing process in which wearing apparel, fabrics, textiles or articles of any sort are dried in currents of air, usually heated. The machine consists of a metal enclosure inside of which is a revolving perforated cylinder. Fur drums and shakers are considered drying tumblers for the purpose of these orders.

(9) **DRYING CABINET.** An enclosure used in the dry cleaning or dry dyeing process, in which wearing apparel, fabrics, textiles or articles of any sort are dried in currents of heated air.

(10) **DRYING ROOM.** A room or rooms wherein wearing apparel, fabrics, textiles, or articles of any sort which have been dry dyed are subjected to the process of drying.

(11) **CLEANING ROOM.** Any building or part thereof in which dry cleaning as defined in section Ind 7.01 (1), with the exception of spotting, is carried on.

(12) **STILL.** An apparatus used to evaporate volatile cleaning solvents by means of steam heat and to condense the same in a condenser or cooling chamber as a purified product.