

1550.3280 VENDING MACHINE REQUIREMENTS.

Machines used to dispense vended water must comply with the construction and performance standards set by the National Automatic Merchandising Association and other rules adopted by the department and must:

A. be designed and constructed to permit easy cleaning and maintenance of all exterior and interior surfaces and component parts;

B. have all parts and surfaces in contact with the water constructed of approved, safe materials, corrosion-resistant, and nonabsorbent material capable of withstanding repeated cleaning and sanitizing treatments;

C. have a recessed or guarded corrosion-resistant dispensing spout so constructed that neither the spout or the guard contacts the bottle;

D. be designed so all treatment of the vended water by distillation, ion-exchange, filtration, ultraviolet light, reverse osmosis, mineral addition, or other acceptable process is done in an effective manner;

E. have an effective system of collection and handling of drip, spillage, and overflow of water through an approved sewage disposal system operated according to law;

F. have a backflow prevention device approved by law of all connections with the water supply;

G. disinfect vended water by ultraviolet light or other method approved by the department before delivery into the consumer's container;

H. be equipped with monitoring devices designed to shut down operation of the machine when the disinfection unit fails to function;

I. be equipped with a self-closing, tight-fitting door on the vending compartment or other method of protecting the filler compartment acceptable to the commissioner;

J. be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, free from dirt and vermin;

K. be located in an area that can be maintained in a clean condition and in a manner that avoids insect and rodent harborage;

L. have all plumbing to and within the vending machine, including the treatment equipment and piping, meet the plumbing code requirements of the Department of Health; and

M. display, in a position clearly visible to customers, the following information:

- (1) the operator's name;
- (2) the operator's address;

(3) a statement describing the source of the water and any treatment process including the chemical names of any preservatives or additives;

(4) a local or toll-free telephone number that may be called for information, service, or complaints; and

(5) the statement "from a municipal source" if the water is from a community public water system. Vended water treated to meet the definition of distilled or purified water is exempt if the machine is so labeled.

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