

# Title 22 Standards for Cleaning, Sanitizing, and Disinfecting at California Child Care Centers

This table shows areas in a child care center required to be cleaned, sanitized, or disinfected per California child care licensing regulations. If more stringent, “Best Practices” are included per Caring for Our Children (CFOC) National Health and Safety Performance Standards Guidelines for Early Care and Education Programs, Appendix K. The CFOC standards are not enforceable, and included only as a reference. Be sure to always follow child care licensing requirements.

For more information, contact the California Department of Pesticide Regulation’s Child Care IPM Program at [cciplist@cdpr.ca.gov](mailto:cciplist@cdpr.ca.gov).

| Area  | Process             | Frequency        | Code                                | Best Practice*, if more stringent  |
|---|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Food Areas</b>   |                     |                  |                                     |  |
| Food areas (kitchen, food preparation and storage areas, equipment) | Clean               | Maintained       | Title 22 §101227 (a)(18),(20)       | Clean and Sanitize tables and food preparation surfaces before and after each use. Clean and Sanitize countertops and food preparation appliances daily. |
| Dishes and utensils   | Clean and Sanitize  | After use        | Title 22 §101227(a)(21)             | N/A  |
| <b>Toilet Areas</b>   |                     |                  |                                     |  |
| Toilets   | Maintained sanitary | Maintained       | Title 22 §101239(e)(4)              | Clean and disinfect daily  |
| Potty Chairs  | Clean and Disinfect | After use        | Title 22 §101428(e)(2)              | N/A  |
| Hand washing sinks and faucets, bathing facilities                  | Maintained sanitary | Maintained       | Title 22 §101239(e)(4)              | Clean and disinfect daily  |
| Floors  | Clean               | Maintained       | Title 22 §101238(a) and 101238.3(b) | Clean and disinfect daily  |
| <b>Sleeping Areas</b>   |                     |                  |                                     |  |
| Napping Equipment   | Clean and Disinfect | Weekly if soiled | Title 22 §101239.1(b)(4)            | N/A  |
| Sheets  | Clean               | Weekly if soiled | Title 22 §101239.1(c)(3)            | N/A  |
| Blankets  | Clean or Change     | If soiled        | Title 22 §101239.1(c)(4)            | Clean monthly  |
| <b>General Areas</b>  |                     |                  |                                     |  |
| Entire center   | Maintained sanitary | Maintained       | Title 22 §101238(a)                 | N/A  |
| Floors (non-infant)   | Clean               | Maintained       | Title 22 §101238.3(b)               | Clean daily  |
| Door and cabinet handles  | Clean               | Maintained       | Title 22 §101238(a)                 | Clean and disinfect daily  |
| Drinking fountains  | Clean               | Maintained       | Title 22 §101238(a)                 | Clean and disinfect daily  |
| Computer keyboards  | Clean               | Maintained       | Title 22 §101238(a)                 | Clean and sanitize after use. Use sanitizing wipes, do not spray.  |

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| INFANT-SPECIFIC CARE   |                     |                                  |   |                                   |
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| Area   | Process             | Frequency                        | Code  | Best Practice*, if more stringent |
| Floors (not carpet)  | Clean and Disinfect | Daily                            | Title 22 §101438.1(c)(1)                          | N/A                               |
| Carpeted floors and large rugs   | Vaccum              | Daily                            | Title 22 §101438.1(c)(2)                          | Clean monthly                     |
|  | Clean               | Every 6 months                   |   |                                   |
| Small rugs   | Vaccum or shack out | Daily                            | Title 22 §101438.1(c)(2)(A)                       | N/A                               |
|  | Wash                | Weekly                           |   |                                   |
| Walls and partitions   | Clean and Disinfect | Weekly                           | Title 22 §101438.1(c)(3)                          | N/A                               |
| Highchairs and feeding chairs  | Clean and Disinfect | After use                        | Title 22 §101439(f)                               | N/A                               |
| Diaper changing table and pads   | Clean and Disinfect | After use                        | Title 22 §101428(d)(7)                            | N/A                               |
| Diaper changing area (including walls, floors, dispensers, counter tops, sinks, drawers, and cabinets) | Clean and Disinfect | After use or if soiled           | Title 22 §101428(d)(7)(B) and §101438.1(c)(4),(5) | N/A                               |
| Diaper pails   | Clean and Sanitize  | Daily                            | Title 22 §101428(d)(3)(A)                         | Clean and disinfect daily         |
| Linens (center-provided)   | Clean and Sanitize  | Daily or if soiled               | Title 22 §101438.1(e)                             | N/A                               |
| Crib mattresses  | Clean and Disinfect | Daily and when soiled or wet     | Title 22§101439.1 (b)(4)(B)                       | N/A                               |
| Mouthed objects  | Clean and Disinfect | Daily or more often if necessary | Title 22 §101438.1(c)(1)                          | N/A                               |

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