

## 4.2 SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES

**4.2-4.6.1.1** Each assisted living facility shall have provisions for storing and processing clean and soiled/contaminated linen for resident care.

**4.2-4.6.1.2** See Section 2.3-4.2.5 (Clean Utility Room) and Section 2.3-4.2.6 (Soiled Utility Room) for additional requirements.

### 4.2-4.6.2 Facilities for Contracted Linen Services

If contracted services are used, the following shall be provided:

**4.2-4.6.2.1** An area for soiled linen awaiting pickup

**4.2-4.6.2.2** A separate area for storage and distribution of clean linen

**4.2-4.6.2.3** A control station for pickup and receiving. This can be shared with other services and serve as the receiving and pickup point of service for the facility.

### 4.2-4.6.3 On-Site Laundry Service Facilities

#### 4.2-4.6.3.1 General

- (1) If an assisted living facility provides on-site laundry services, the requirements in this section shall apply.
- (2) Facilities for processing shall be permitted to be located in the facility, in a separate building on- or off-site, or in a commercial or shared laundry.
- (3) Layout. Equipment shall be arranged to permit a workflow that minimizes cross-traffic between clean and soiled operations.
  - (a) Areas dedicated to laundry shall be separate from food preparation areas.
  - (b) Laundry rooms shall not open directly into resident rooms.

**4.2-4.6.3.2** At minimum, the following elements shall be included:

- (1) Rooms and spaces for sorting, processing, and storage of soiled materials
- (2) Soiled holding room(s). Separate central or decentralized room(s) shall be provided for receiving and holding soiled linen for pickup or processing.

- (a) Such room(s) shall have proper ventilation and exhaust.
- (b) Discharge from soiled linen chutes shall be received in this room or in a separate room as required by the local AHJ.
- (c) Such room(s) used for processing shall be provided with a deep sink for soaking and/or a flushing-rim sink.

(3) Central clean linen storage. A central clean linen storage and issuing room(s) shall be provided in addition to the linen storage required at individual resident units.

(4) Linen carts

- (a) Storage. Provisions shall be made for parking clean and soiled linen carts separately and out of traffic.
- (b) Cleaning. Provisions shall be made for cleaning linen carts on-premises (or exchange of carts off-premises).

(5) Hand-washing stations. Hand-washing stations shall be provided in each area where unbagged soiled linen is handled. See Section 2.4-2.2.8 (Hand-Washing Stations) for additional requirements.

### 4.2-4.7 Materials Management Facilities

See Section 2.3-4.7 (Materials Management Facilities) for requirements.

### 4.2-4.8 Waste Management Facilities

See Section 2.3-4.8 (Waste Management Facilities) for waste collection, storage, and disposal requirements.

### 4.2-4.9 Environmental Services Rooms

See Section 2.3-4.9 (Environmental Services Rooms) for requirements.

### 4.2-4.10 Facilities for Engineering and Maintenance Services

See Section 2.3-4.10 (Facilities for Engineering and Maintenance Services) for requirements.

### 4.2-4.11 Administrative Areas

#### 4.2-4.11.1 Office and Conference Space

Offices or an open office area with adjacent private