



Periodic Review / Retain Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Virginia Department of Health
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	12 VAC 5 - 431
Regulation title	Sanitary Regulations for Hotels
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This form is used when the agency has done a periodic review of a regulation and plans to retain the regulation without change. This information is required pursuant to Executive Orders 36 (2006) and 58 (1999).

Legal basis

Please identify the state and/or federal legal authority for the regulation, including (1) the most relevant law and/or regulation, and (2) promulgating entity, i.e., agency, board, or person.

§§ 35.1-11 and 35.1-13 of the Code of Virginia

Alternatives

Please describe all viable alternatives for achieving the purpose of the existing regulation that have been considered as part of the periodic review process. Include an explanation of why such alternatives were rejected and why this regulation is the least burdensome alternative available for achieving the purpose of the regulation.

Regulation and inspection of hotels are mandated by the Code of Virginia. No alternative exists.

Public comment

Please summarize all comments received during the public comment period following the publication of the Notice of Periodic Review, and provide the agency response. Please indicate if an informal advisory group was formed for purposes of assisting in the periodic review.

No public comment received.

Commenter	Comment	Agency response

Enter statement here

Effectiveness

Please indicate whether the regulation meets the criteria set out in Executive Order 36, e.g., is necessary for the protection of public health, safety, and welfare, and is clearly written and easily understandable.

The regulations were last revised in 2002. At that time they were extensively reviewed for clarity and ease of understanding. They were amended at that time to write them more clearly and more understandable.

Result

Please state that the agency is recommending that the regulation should stay in effect without change.

The Department of Health recommends the regulations remain in effect without change.

Family impact

Please provide an analysis of the regulation's impact on the institution of the family and family stability.

The regulations do not impact families and family stability.