



Board for Barbers and Cosmetology

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**Guidance Document: Esthetics –
Cleaning Multiuse Items That Cannot Be Immersed**

Interpretation of how to cleanse multiuse articles, tools, or products that cannot be immersed in light of 18 VAC 41-70-270.D.1, prohibiting multiuse items which cannot be cleansed.

While 18 VAC 41-70-270.A.2 requires multiuse items to be fully immersed during the disinfection process, certain multiuse articles, tools, or products cannot be fully immersed without damaging the item. Multiuse items that cannot be fully immersed without damaging the item should be cleaned according to manufacturer's recommendation.

Any multiuse items that cannot be disinfected by full immersion as specified in 18 VAC 41-70-270.A.2 or cleaned according to manufacturer's recommendation is prohibited from use per 18 VAC 41-70-270.D.1.