



State of New Jersey

N.J. DEPARTMENT OF INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES

P. O. BOX 1237 TRENTON 08625

June 6, 1966

TO: ALL LICENSED AND APPROVED HOSPITALS

RE: REGULATION TO PERMIT ARTIFICIAL LIGHTING AND VENTILATION FOR NURSERIES, RECOVERY ROOMS, AND INTENSIVE CARE UNITS IN HOSPITALS

The Hospital Licensing Board, on April 7, 1966, recommended approval of a regulation to permit artificial lighting and ventilation for nurseries, recovery rooms, and intensive care units in licensed and approved hospitals in the State.

The recommendation was subsequently approved by the State Board of Control on April 27, 1966.

This regulation, which has been made a part of the Manual of Standards for Private Hospitals, is attached. We request that you acknowledge its receipt by signing and returning the form furnished below for this purpose. Any question regarding the regulation should be directed to our Bureau of Community Institutions.

Sincerely yours,

Lloyd W. McCorkle
Lloyd W. McCorkle
Commissioner

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Attachment

DETACH AND FORWARD TO:

Bureau of Community Institutions
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Trenton, New Jersey 08625

This will acknowledge receipt of the Regulation to Permit Artificial Lighting and Ventilation for Nurseries, Recovery Rooms, and Intensive Care Units in Hospitals which was adopted by the State Board of Control on April 27, 1966.

Signature of Administrator or
Authorized Representative

Name of Hospital

Date

Address of Hospital

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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REGULATION TO PERMIT ARTIFICIAL LIGHTING AND VENTILATION
FOR
NURSERIES, RECOVERY ROOMS, AND INTENSIVE CARE UNITS IN HOSPITALS *

Artificial light and mechanical ventilation may be substituted for natural light and ventilation in nurseries, recovery rooms, and intensive care units of hospitals. In considering the installation of such a system, the following minimum standards shall be required:

1. Ventilation systems shall be of the forced exhaust and intake type and shall provide a minimum of 12 air changes per hour of filtered, humidified, outdoor air with no recirculation permitted. Air shall be under 0.05 inch water gauge positive pressure above surrounding spaces at all times.
2. Air conditioning filter systems shall include rough and medium-efficiency filters upstream from the equipment, and high-efficiency filters downstream from the equipment with an efficiency of 90 percent or more in the removal of particles in the 1 to 5 micron range. Filter condition should be determined by a manometer installed in an easily visible location to indicate the pressure drop across each bank of filters.
3. Temperature and humidity shall be controlled at all times. A temperature of 75 degrees Fahrenheit and a relative humidity of 50 percent shall be provided for nurseries and all surrounding spaces into which infants may periodically be moved.
4. The light and ventilation systems shall be connected with the emergency power system.
5. Lighting levels in these areas shall provide 20 foot candles for general illumination by the use of deluxe type fluorescent cool white or a combination of deluxe cool white and standard warm white lamps.

* Adopted by State Board of Control on April 27, 1966