**Section 1545.120 Washing Facilities**

a) General Requirements:

1) Adequate facilities for maintaining personal cleanliness shall be provided for all employees as specified in this Section. The facilities shall be convenient for employees for whom they are provided and shall be maintained in a sanitary condition.

2) Two wash basins within each sleeping car shall be provided for employees housed in camp cars.

b) Specifications:

1) Wash basins or lavatories shall be made of vitrified glazed earthenware, vitreous enameled metal or other smooth finished material, impervious to moisture.

2) Twenty-four inches of trough or circular wash basin shall be considered the equivalent of one wash basin. The trough or circular wash basin shall not be equipped with a plug or stopper.

3) Spring-closing hand-operated faucets are prohibited in trough basins or circular basins.

c) Number Required:

1) The following table shall be used as a guide in determining the adequacy of washing facilities:

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| Number of Employees |  | Minimum Number of Facilities |
| 1 to 10 persons |  | 1 basins |
| 11 to 25 persons |  | 2 basins |
| 26 to 49 persons |  | 3 basins |
| 50 to 100 persons |  | 5 basins |
| 100 persons or over |  | 1 basin for each additional 25 employees |

2) At least one wash basin shall be located convenient to each toilet room.

d) Location of:

1) Running Facilities:

A) Baggage and express cars (where employees are assigned for work en route) and no other facilities are available.

B) Cabooses (except cabooses used primarily in transfer, yard or switching service).

C) Camp cars.

2) Stationary Facilities:

The washing facilities required by this Section shall be available if employees are on duty regularly for periods of time long enough to make the facility reasonably necessary at the following locations:

A) All terminals.

B) All yard offices.

C) All engine houses and shops.

D) All signal or section headquarters in terminals and all bunk or section houses.

E) Places convenient to designated lunch rooms.

F) Camp cars.

G) One lavatory basin per 6 employees in a shared facility.

3) Supplies:

A) Water shall be available and hot water shall be supplied at all terminals, yard offices, engine houses, shops and camp cars. Hot and cold running water shall be available for all camp cars.

B) Mechanical drying facilities, including mechanical roller towels, or individual towels, either paper or cloth, shall be provided. (The use of common towels is prohibited.)

C) Waste receptacles shall be provided for used paper towels.

D) Soap or other suitable cleansing agent shall be supplied.

E) All supplies shall be adequate to meet the needs for which they are intended, and shall be maintained by the employer.

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