

**15A NCAC 18A .1517 MATTRESSES, MATTRESS COVERS, BED LINEN**

- (a) All furniture, bunks, mattresses, and other furnishings shall be kept clean and in good repair.
- (b) Clean bed linen and easily cleanable or washable mattress covers, washable mattresses, or equivalent, shall be provided for each occupant and shall be changed as often as necessary.
- (c) Clean linen shall be stored and handled in a sanitary manner. Soiled linen shall be stored and handled in such a manner as not to spread contamination, as by use of suitable bags or closed hampers. Suitable rooms or spaces shall be provided for the separate storage of clean and soiled linens.

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