HANDOUT FROM THE SOUTH DAKOTA COSMETOLOGY COMMISSION 11/2004 ELECTRIC FILES AND ATTACHMENTS

All drills and attachments must be clean and sanitary before use on a client.

- 1. All disinfectants should indicate on the label that it is registered with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and stops bactericidal, fungicidal, and virucidal activity. Disinfectants must be used according to the manufacturer's directions.
- 2. All **clean, sanitized equipment** must be stored in a clean, closed container. All attachments must be stored in a clean, closed container. Clean bits are stored separate from the electric file.
- 3. All used attachments must be stored in a closed, labeled (used) container until disinfected.
- 4. **To disinfect**, remove all foreign matter from the electric file and attachments. We recommend using a toothbrush or stiff brush and a cloth to remove the foreign matter. After you wipe off the nail dust, use a spray disinfectant for the file. The attachments must be washed with hot, soap water, and then soaked in disinfectant.
- 5. **Sanding bands** used on electric file mandrels are for single use purposes and must be <u>discarded immediately</u> after each use.
- 6. **Metal bits** for electric files are either single use or multi-use. Single use must be <u>discarded</u> <u>immediately</u> after each use. Multi-use metal bits must be disinfected by removing all foreign materials, washed in hot, soap water, and then soaked in a disinfectant. All clean multi-use metal bits are stored in a clean, closed container until used.
- 7. Only nail files and attachments designed for use on the human nail can be used. Documentation must be provided upon request, so keep your instruction book.
- 8. If a **blood spill** occurs it must be treated immediately. All service must stop immediately. The injured area must be cleaned with an antiseptic solution and covered with a sterile bandage. Before any service can continue, the licensee must disinfect any equipment that came into contact with the blood.
- 9. NEW. In order to operate a nail file, a licensee must show a minimum of eight (8) hours of continuing education. Contact the commission office at 605-773-6193 for further information.