

REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AT SPECIAL EVENTS & TRADE SHOWS

The following are requirements of the Calgary Health Region, Environmental Health for the safe operation of personal services at Special Events & Trade Shows. Personal services include barbering, hairdressing/braiding, esthetics, manicures, pedicures, waxing, massage, tattooing, ear/body piercing, and face painting.

Hair Control

- Use either single-use hair control or reusable items such as bandeaus, barrettes, etc. that are smooth, impervious to moisture and can be sanitized after each use.

Make-Up/Face Painting

- Make-up/Face paints – apply with a clean single use applicator unless the applicator can be cleaned and sanitized after each use.
- Make-up pencils/Face crayons – clean & sanitize after each use.
- Face stencils – use single-use stencils or reusable stencils that are smooth, impervious to moisture and can be cleaned sanitized after each use.

Tattooing & Body Piercing

- **Please contact Calgary Health Region, Environmental Health Public Health Inspector at 403-943-2288.**

Sanitizers

- All equipment and supplies which come into direct contact with the person, ***but do not penetrate intact skin***, must be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized after each use and maintained in a sanitary condition until re-use. . Test strips to test sanitizer concentration must be on site.

Approved methods of sanitizing equipment include:

- An ethyl or isopropyl alcohol solution of not less than 70 % (i.e. alcohol swabs)
- A chlorine solution at a strength of not less than 100 ppm (i.e. ½ teaspoon household bleach to 1 litre of water)
- A quaternary ammonium solution at a strength of not less than 200 ppm
- An iodophor solution at a strength of not less than 12.5 ppm
- Any other method approved by Calgary Health Region, Environmental Health

Please contact Calgary Health Region, Environmental Health for other methods of disinfection or sterilization for items that penetrate the skin or mucous membranes, items that come into contact with mucous membranes, those that may potentially penetrate body surfaces, or objects that are used to handle sterile items (i.e. forceps, needle holder, tweezers, piercing gun).

Massage Tables, Treatment Chairs and Other Equipment

- All tables, mats, chairs or other surfaces upon which persons rest while being treated must be clean and in good repair, and have a working surface that is smooth and free from cracks or tears, easily cleanable and capable of being effectively sanitized.

Linens

- Linens must be changed between each client and laundered after each use. Separate washable storage containers for clean and soiled linens are required.

Handwash Stations

- An **approved handwash** station is required in every booth where personal services are performed. See Page 6 for *Information on temporary handwash stations*. *Temporary handwash stations may be permitted in limited circumstances, but are not acceptable for tattooing, electrolysis, body piercing, or permanent makeup.*
- Handwash stations for tattooing, electrolysis, body piercing, or permanent makeup must be plumbed to an approved water supply or water holding tank. Hot and cold running water must be supplied under pressure to the faucet. The handwash station must have single-use towels and liquid soap in suitable dispensers.



- **Hand sanitizers are not permitted as a replacement for traditional handwashing except when all three of the following conditions are met:**
 1. **An approved handwash station is located in reasonable proximity to the booth.**
 2. The personal service worker's hands are not visibly soiled.
 3. The personal service worker is not doing skin invasive procedures, except piercing the lobe of the ear with an ear piercing gun.

Garbage

- An adequate number of garbage containers must be provided.
- Liquid waste must either be discharged directly to an approved sanitary sewer or stored in a totally enclosed wastewater holding container

**For more information,
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