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**REFERENCE FOR OPERATORS OF TATTOO/BODY PIERCING STUDIOS**

To obtain a permit to operate a new Tattoo/Body Piercing Studio, you must:

- 1) Provide a plan detailing the layout of the establishment. The plan must be drawn to scale and include all work areas to be used for tattooing, body piercing, permanent make-up, microblading, etc. Please include the location of all hand washing sinks, sharps containers, etc. A copy of the "Aftercare Instructions" that is provided to clients is also required.
- 2) Submit a completed "Application for a Tattoo or Body Piercing Establishment Permit" with the annual permit fee of \$150.00. **All fees are made payable to the Nassau County Department of Health by certified check or money order only. No cash, personal checks, business checks or credit cards will be accepted.** The following documents are required at the time of application submission: corporate seal or filing receipt/LLC Articles of Organization (if applicable), Certificate of Worker's Compensation (form C-105.2 or U-26.3, or CE-200 form for exemption) and Disability Benefits (form DB-120.1, or CE-200 for exemption).

**NOTE:** A permit for a Tattoo/Body Piercing Studio will not be issued until a satisfactory site survey has been completed by a representative from the Nassau County Department of Health. Activities such as tattooing, body piercing, microblading, etc. are prohibited in the proposed establishment until permission is granted, in writing, by the Nassau County Department of Health.

**Minimum Requirements for Tattoo/Body Piercing Studios:**

- 1) Each studio must have at least one work room or designated work area where tattoo/body piercing services will be provided. Each work room must be distinct and separate from waiting areas, and the work room may not be used as corridor for access to other rooms. Unnecessary traffic through work rooms is prohibited, and customers may only receive tattoo/piercing services in approved work rooms.
- 2) Each work room shall be equipped with a permanent hand washing sink that has hot and cold running water, and hot water must be tempered at 100 – 110 degrees F. Hand washing sinks must be stocked with liquid soap & single-use paper towels.
- 3) All chairs, benches, and other surfaces in the work room must be constructed of materials that are smooth, non-absorbent, and easily cleanable.
- 4) Adequate lighting must be provided in all work rooms.
- 5) A sharps container must be provided for the disposal of all single-use needles in each work room.
- 6) Each work room must have "Aftercare Instructions" conspicuously displayed or readily available for clients.
- 7) The establishment permit must be conspicuously displayed.

**NOTE:** Any individual that performs tattoo, microblading, permanent make-up, or body piercing services in Nassau County is required to hold a valid "Tattoo/Body Piercing Artist Certification" issued by the Nassau County Department of Health. The Artist Certification is valid for three years from the date of issuance, and it is the individual's responsibility to renew their Artist Certification every three years. Please contact Nassau County Department of Health for information regarding class availability at (516) 227 – 9717.

