



NEWTOWN DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TATTOO AND BODY PIERCING ESTABLISHMENT REGULATION

Section 1. Scope and purpose

- a. The provisions of this code shall be known as the "Tattoo and Body Piercing Establishment Regulation", hereinafter referred to as "this Regulation."
- b. The purpose of this Regulation and its standards is to regulate sanitary conditions, protect the health and safety of clients of tattoo parlors, and body piercing establishments within the Newtown Health District to prevent the spread of disease including, but not limited to, viral, bacterial, and fungal infections.
- c. This regulation is enacted pursuant to the powers and duties set forth in the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) 7-148, 19a-92g, 19a-207, 19a-231, 19a-232, 19a-243a and 20-266s. Clearly defining the requirements for the inspection, sanitary conditions, permit fees and penalties for said establishments will protect and promote public health and welfare.
- d. All references to the Connecticut (CT) Public Health Code and the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) as amended, shall apply and govern all cases except where such provisions of this Regulation shall have more stringent requirements.

Section 2. Definitions

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this Regulation, shall have the meanings ascribed to them, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Bloodborne Pathogens Pathogenic microorganisms that are present in human blood and can cause disease in humans. These pathogens include, but are not limited to, Hepatitis B virus (HBV), Hepatitis C virus (HCV) and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

Body Piercer A person who engages in the art of body piercing.

Body Piercing Piercing or creating a channel through any part of the body other than the ear lobe (i.e. lower portion of the auricle having no cartilage) for the purpose of inserting a decorative object (CGS Sec 19a-92g).

Critical Violation Violation that is more likely than other violations to pose a potential health risk to clients or employees. A list of critical violations is contained in Appendix A and B.

Director of Health The Director of Health of the Newtown Health District or their authorized agent.

Disinfectant A type of antimicrobial that kills or irreversibly inactivates all bacteria, fungi and viruses on hard surfaces.

Establishment Any premises, building, or part of a building, where any activity permitted by the Director of Health is practiced.

Health District The Newtown District Department of Health or Newtown Health District.

Hot Water Water which is at a temperature of not less than 110° F.

Infectious Waste Waste generated in the treatment of service of a human which falls under one or more of the following categories:

1. Pathological Waste – human pathological wastes, including tissues that are removed during medical procedure.
2. Human Blood and bodily fluid waste – includes liquid waste, human blood, blood products, items saturated, or dripping, with blood or caked with dried human blood.

Imminent Health Risk Violation Any conditions found within an establishment that poses a significant immediate risk to public health as listed in Appendix B which necessitates immediate corrective action or closure of the establishment.



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Jewelry A surgical steel or other approved component ornament of good quality, corrosion-resistant, free of scratches or cut and designed for use in body piercing

License Holder The person who applies and is granted a License to Operate, to provide the Tattoo, Permanent Make-up or Body Piercing in the District.

Mobile Establishment A mobile shop or modular space which can be used for purposes of this regulation through the use of a mobile vehicle or trailer.

Operator Any person, including, but not limited to, a licensed tattoo technician or unlicensed person who is performing tasks allowed under the Public Health Code of the State of Connecticut.

Potable water A public water supply or on-site well water supply that is deemed safe for human consumption as evidenced by a yearly bacteriological laboratory analysis.

Sanitize An effective antibacterial treatment by a process that provides sufficient concentration of chemicals for enough time to reduce the bacteria count including pathogens to a safe level on equipment.

Sanitary Conditions Safe and clean shop or salon conditions that prevent the spread of communicable diseases and protect the public health and welfare.

Shop Includes any salon, store, day spa, parlor or other commercial establishment at which the practice of tattoo, the services of body piercing, or any combination thereof, is offered and provided.

Single Use An instrument or glove designated and labeled for one use only, which must be discarded after use on a client.

Sterilization The process of destruction of all forms of microbial life by physical or chemical means.

Student tattoo technician A student tattoo technician studying tattooing who is registered with the Connecticut Department of Public Health pursuant to Section 20-266o and works under the supervision of a licensed tattoo technician per the state code.

Tattooing Marking or coloring, in an indelible manner, the skin of any person by pricking in coloring matter or by producing scars (*CGS Sec 19a-92a*).

Tattoo technician A person practicing tattooing on another person that is a licensed Tattoo Technician per Connecticut General Statute (*CGS Sec. 20-266n (4)*).

Temporary Body Piercing Events A body-piercing event that operates for no more than seventy-two (72) consecutive hours in conjunction with a festival at an established locale.

Temporary License A license issued to conduct a public demonstration, a fundraising event, or a public convention for a period of seventy- two (72) consecutive hours or not to exceed fourteen (14) calendar days.

Temporary Tattoo Establishment A tattoo establishment that operates at a fixed location for a period of time of seventy- two (72) consecutive hours or not to exceed fourteen (14) calendar days in conjunction with a single event, celebration or festival at an established locale. Any tattoo technician licensed in a state other than Connecticut must have a temporary permit from the Connecticut Department of Public Health to tattoo at the temporary event.

Treatment Room Rooms located in an establishment where services/procedures of body piercing or tattooing are performed.

Universal Precautions An approach to infection control in which all human blood and certain human body fluids are treated as if known to be infected with Hepatitis B virus (HBV), Hepatitis C virus (HCV), human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and other blood borne pathogens.

Section 3. Authority of Director of Health

Under Connecticut General Statutes, the Director of Health, or the Director's authorized agent, shall have full power to enter and inspect any such shop or salon during usual business hours.



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Section 4. Fees

- a. Operating a Tattoo or Body Piercing Establishment, annual fees, renewal, late fees for non-payment or for required plan review for new construction or for re-construction or alteration shall be set from time to time by the Board of Directors.
- b. A re-inspection fee shall be assessed whenever an establishment is found to have critical violations two or more times within one calendar year.

Section 5. Licenses

- a. All operators shall possess and display, in a location easily observed by clients, a current license or registration to practice, from the State of Connecticut, as required.
- b. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation and etc., to operate, own, or maintain a shop, salon or studio, or offer services of the same within the Newtown Health District member towns, without a valid establishment license issued by the Director of Health.
- c. Only a person who complies with the requirements of this Regulation and the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut shall be entitled to receive or retain such a license.
- d. Licenses shall not be transferable from person to person or from location to location.
- e. All separate businesses or establishments, e.g., a "salon within a salon", shall be separately licensed.
- f. Licenses shall be valid until the expiration date indicated on the license unless suspended or revoked by the Director of Health, or until such time as the facility changes owners, closes, or goes out-of-business.

Section 6. Temporary Licenses

- a. Applicants applying for a temporary body-piercing or tattoo establishment license shall submit an application approved by the District, which provides all necessary documentation to attest to the ability of the proposed operation to substantially comply with the provisions of this document. The application must be received no later than fourteen (14) business days prior to the event and must be accompanied by all applicable fees. If the temporary event application is submitted less than fourteen (14) business days prior to the event an additional application fee will be assessed in accordance with the Health District fee schedule. No license shall be issued without satisfactory inspection of the temporary facility by the District in advance of the event.
- b. Temporary tattoo establishments shall provide the proper documentation as may be required pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Chapter 387a, Section 20-266o to 20-266s.
- c. Body piercers working at a temporary establishment shall meet the requirements of the blood borne pathogens certification as required by this Regulation.
- d. The temporary body-piercing or tattoo establishment shall meet the requirements of this Regulation.
- e. One person, business or corporation may not receive more than four temporary body piercing event or tattoo establishment licenses each calendar year. Each temporary establishment license shall last no more than fourteen (14) calendar days.

Section 7. Issuance of Establishment Licenses

- a. Any firm, person, corporation etc. desiring to operate a Tattoo/ Body Piercing establishment, shall at least thirty (30) days prior to opening or changing ownership of such establishment,



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make written application for license on forms provided by the Director of Health. All existing establishments shall make application to be licensed by the Newtown Health District as required by this Regulation.

- b. Such applications for a license shall be made on forms furnished by the Director of Health, wherein the applicant shall state their name, address, the address of the place of business, services provided, and other pertinent information that the Director of Health may require and affix their signature to the application.
- c. The application shall be accompanied by the appropriate licensing fee as set forth in the fee schedule and a set of plans for the establishment.
- d. Prior to the issuance of final approval for a license, the Director of Health or their authorized agent shall inspect the proposed establishment to determine compliance with the provisions of this Regulation, the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut and any other applicable statutes, ordinances or rules and regulations.
- e. The Director of Health shall issue a new license to the applicant if the inspection reveals that the establishment complies with the requirements of this Regulation, the CT Public Health Code and any other applicable codes, regulations or statutes.
- f. In the case of a transfer of ownership of an existing establishment to a new owner, the new owner shall submit an application for a license on forms provided by the Health District. The establishment shall be brought into compliance with this Regulation, the CT Public Health Code and any other applicable codes, regulations or statutes by correcting all violations before a license to operate can be issued.

Section 8. Expiration of License

- a. All licenses shall expire one year from the date of issuance and may be renewed for another year, upon reapplication and payment of annual fee, provided the establishment is in compliance with this Regulation, the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut and any other applicable Statute, ordinances, rules and regulations.
- b. Any person who does not make application for renewal of their establishment license before the expiration date of such license shall be required to pay the late fee as set in the fee schedule.

Section 9. Establishments Operating Without a License

When it comes to the attention of the Director of Health that an establishment is operating without a valid license, the Director of Health shall order the establishment to close and to cease all operations immediately.

Section 10. Suspension of License

The Director of Health may suspend any license to operate if the license holder does not comply with the requirements of this Regulation or the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut. If the Director of Health finds unsanitary or other conditions which, in their judgement, constitutes an immediate and substantial hazard to public health, they may immediately issue a written notice to the license holder or operator, citing such conditions, specifying the reasonable period of time within which such action will be taken and, if deemed necessary, order immediate correction. If correction is not completed in the stated time, the license shall be suspended. Suspension is effective upon service of a notice and all operations shall immediately cease.



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Whenever a license is suspended, the license holder or person in charge, or applicant, may, within forty-eight (48) hours after issuance of such order, appeal to the Commissioner of Public Health of the State of Connecticut, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes section 19a-229. If no appeal is filed within forty-eight (48) business hours, the revocation of the license becomes final. During the process of any appeal, the license shall remain suspended.

Section 11. Revocation of License

- a. The Director of Health may revoke a license for repeated or serious violations of this Regulation or for interference with the Director of Health or an authorized agent in the performance of their duties. Prior to revocation, the Director of Health shall notify the license holder or person in charge of the establishment, in writing, of the reasons for which the license is subject to revocation and that said license will be revoked at the end of fourteen (14) days following service of such notice. The permit holder or person in charge shall immediately cease all establishment operations, and such operations shall not be resumed without written approval of the Director of Health.
- b. Whenever a license is revoked, the license holder or person in charge of the establishment or applicant may, within forty-eight (48) hours after issuance of such order, appeal to the Commissioner or Public Health of the State of Connecticut, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes section 19a-229, If no appeal is filed within forty-eight (48) business hours, the revocation of the license becomes final.
- c. During the process of any appeal, the license shall remain revoked.
- d. The Director of Health may order closure without warning, prior to notice or hearing, any license to operate an establishment if the operation constitutes an imminent public health hazard **(Appendix B)**.
- e. Any license holder who has had their license revoked shall have an opportunity for a hearing.

Section 12. Appeals

The owner or operator of an establishment aggrieved by any written notice or order may, within forty-eight (48) hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and Town Holidays) after the receipt of such notice and/or order, appeal to the Director of Health who shall thereupon immediately examine the merits of such case and may vacate, modify, or affirm such written notice or order. The owner or operator of an establishment who is aggrieved by such action of the Director of Health may, no later than forty-eight (48) hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and Town Holidays) after the date of the receipt of such notice or order appeal to the State of Connecticut Commissioner of Health who shall thereupon immediately notify the authority from whose order to the appeal was taken and examine the merits of such case and may vacate, modify or affirm such action in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

Section 13. Hearings

The Director of Health shall conduct the hearings provided for in this Regulation at a designated place and time. The Director of Health shall make a final finding based upon the complete hearing record, and shall sustain, modify or rescind any notice or order considered in the



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hearing. The Director of Health shall furnish a copy of the written report of the hearing decision to the license holder within ten (10) calendar days of the hearing date.

Section 14. Reinstatement of a License

- a. Suspension – whenever a license has been suspended, a holder of the suspended license, whether there is an appeal pending or not, may make a written request for reinstatement of the suspended license. Within ten (10) days following receipt of a written request, including a statement signed by the applicant that, in their opinion the conditions causing the suspension have been corrected, the Director of Health or their authorized agents shall make a re-inspection. If the applicants complying with the requirements of this Regulation, the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut and other applicable statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, the license shall be reinstated.
- b. Revocation – whenever a license has been revoked, the holder of said revoked license may, after a period of ten (10) days from the date of revocation, make written application for reinstatement of a license, as provided in Section 5 and Section 7 of this Regulation and payment of annual fee, whether or not an appeal is pending. Within ten (10) days following the receipt of a written request for reinstatement of a revoked license, including a statement signed by the applicant that, in the opinion of the applicant, the conditions causing the revocation have been corrected, the Director of Health or an authorized agent shall make a re-inspection. If the applicant is in compliance with the requirements of this Regulation, the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut and any other applicable statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, the license shall be re-instated upon payment of the appropriate fee.

Section 15. Service of Notices

A notice provided for in this Code is properly served when it is delivered to the license holder or person in charge, or when it is sent by Registered or Certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last known address of the license holder. A copy of any notice shall be filed in the records of the Director of Health.

Section 16. Submission of Plans

- a. Whenever an establishment is constructed or remodeled and, whenever an existing structure is converted to use as such an establishment, properly prepared plans shall be submitted to the Director of Health or their authorized agent for review and approval, before construction, remodeling or alteration is begun.
- b. Properly prepared architectural plans and/or plans drawn in a minimum one-quarter inch to one foot (1/4"-1') scale and specifications for construction, remodeling or alteration shall be submitted along with the plan review fee, as listed in the fee schedule, to the Director of Health or their authorized agent for review and approval.
- c. The plans and specifications shall indicate the proposed layout, arrangement and construction materials, location of work areas, storage areas, toilet facilities, waiting areas and the type and model of proposed fixed equipment and facilities.
- d. The plans and specifications shall assess design flow of existing subsurface disposal (septic) system if applicable and protection of water supply as necessary.
- e. The Director of Health or their authorized agent shall approve the plans and specifications, if they meet the requirements of this Regulation, prior to the issuance or renewal of a license.



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Section 17. Pre-operational Inspection

Prior to opening an establishment to offer services to the public, the Director of Health or their authorized agent shall conduct a preoperational inspection of the establishment to determine compliance with the approved plans and specifications and with the requirements of this Regulation and the CT Public Health Code.

Section 18. Inspection, Access and Enforcement

- a. No less than once per year, the Director of Health or their authorized agent, shall inspect each establishment and shall make as many additional inspections as necessary, to enforce this Regulation, and shall be permitted to enter any establishment, licensed or applying for a license under this Regulation, during regular business hours.
- b. Compliance with this Regulation shall not relieve the owner or operator of responsibility to conform to all applicable regulations and procedures, under the Connecticut and Newtown Building Codes and Fire Safety Codes, as well as municipal zoning and land use Ordinances and regulations.
- c. Upon successful completion of an inspection with no critical violations noted, the Director of Health, or their authorized agent, shall provide a copy of the inspection report to the license holder within two (2) business days.
- d. Clients shall be notified that a copy of the most recent establishment inspection report is available upon request by posting a sign or placard in a location in the establishment that is conspicuous to clients or by another method acceptable to the regulatory authority.
- e. Failure to provide clients the most recent inspection report upon a request made, constitutes a violation of these regulations, may result in the issuance of orders by the Director of Health and could lead to license suspension.
- f. In the event critical violations are found during an inspection, those items must be corrected within a specified time period not to exceed two weeks (14 calendar days), whereupon the Director or their authorized agent shall make a reinspection and issue a copy of the new inspection report.

Section 19. Establishment Requirements

- a. Technical standards including those governing location, equipment, facilities, sanitation, prohibited practices, operators, animals and pets, as well as acceptable methods of disinfection shall comply with the Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 368e, Section 19-231 and may be updated or modified by the Director of Health, from time to time, to ensure the safety and health of all patrons or clients.
- b. Location of Establishment: Body-piercing or tattoo establishments shall be in locations permissible under local zoning codes.
- c. Floors, walls and ceilings
 - i. Floors shall be constructed of approved materials so as to be durable, easily cleanable, nonabsorbent and free of holes. Floors shall be kept clean and in good repair.
 - ii. The juncture between the floor and wall shall be closed or covered to permit effective cleaning.



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- iii. Walls, ceilings and attached equipment shall be constructed of approved materials so as to be durable, easily cleanable, nonabsorbent and free of holes. Walls, ceilings and attached equipment shall be kept clean and in good repair and finished in a light color that will not conceal the presence of soil and debris.
- d. Equipment
 - i. The chair, seat or table to be utilized by the person receiving the body piercing or tattoo shall be smooth, easily cleanable and nonabsorbent.
 - ii. All chairs, seats or tables must be cleaned and disinfected, with methods approved by the District, prior to use by the next client.
 - iii. In addition to Subsection d (ii), in the case of tattooing, all walls with chairs, seats and tables placed against them must be sanitized prior to the use of chairs, seats and tables by the next client.
 - iv. All equipment shall be maintained in good repair.
- e. Lighting

Body-piercing or tattoo establishments shall have adequate lighting of at least 50 foot candles of illumination. Such illumination shall be reasonably free from glare and distributed so as to avoid shadows.
- f. Ventilation shall be provided so as to prevent condensate and/or excess moisture and to remove objectionable odors in such a manner that will not cause a public health nuisance.
- g. Water supply. The water supply shall be adequate, of a safe, sanitary quality and from a source approved by the District. Hot and cold water under pressure shall be provided at all sinks.
- h. Toilet facilities.
 - i. All body-piercing or tattoo establishments shall provide an adequate toilet facility for the employees and comply with all applicable statutes, ordinances and regulations.
 - ii. Sewage shall be disposed of in a public sewer system or, in the absence thereof, in a manner approved by the Director of Health.
 - iii. Toilet facilities shall be sanitary and easily cleanable.
 - iv. Toilet facilities, including rooms and fixtures, shall be kept in a clean condition and in good repair.
 - v. Antibacterial liquid pump soap, toilet paper and single-use, disposable towels shall be provided at each hand wash sink in each toilet room.
 - vi. The doors for all toilet rooms shall be self-closing.
 - vii. Equipment or supplies used for body-piercing or tattoo procedures shall be neither used nor stored in the toilet facilities.
- i. Hand washing.
 - i. Each work station in the body-piercing or tattoo establishment shall have a hand-washing sink in close proximity with hot and cold potable running water for the exclusive use of the tattoo artist or body piercer for the purpose of washing their hands and prepping clients. When work stations are in separate rooms, a hand sink will be required in each room.
 - ii. At each hand-washing sink, liquid antibacterial pump soap and single-use, disposable towels shall be provided at all times. Common towels are prohibited.
- j. Refuse and refuse containers.
 - i. All garbage and rubbish shall be kept in leak proof, nonabsorbent, easily cleanable, covered containers, which must be kept clean.
 - ii. Refuse containers inside the establishment shall be operated by a foot pedal.



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- iii. All garbage and rubbish shall be disposed of with sufficient frequency and in such manner as to prevent a public health nuisance.
 - iv. Infectious wastes shall be disposed of in compliance with the regulated and infectious waste requirements of these regulations.
 - v. Used sharps containers will be locked in a specified area away from clean supplies unless locked to a wall-mount unit.
- k. Pest control.
- i. Effective measures shall be taken to protect against entrance, or presence, or breeding of pests or rodents inside the body-piercing or tattoo establishment.
 - ii. All openings into the outer air shall be effectively screened to prevent the entrance of flies.
- l. Miscellaneous Items.
- 1. Foods and beverages:
 - 1.1.1. Foods and beverages shall not be prepared, stored or sold in the permitted premises, except with a valid food permit from the local Director of Health. Food and nonalcoholic beverages may, however, be brought into the permitted premises, from an approved source, for immediate consumption and also may be dispensed by means of automatic vending machines on the premises.
 - 1.1.2. Coffee and tea may be prepared and kept for the convenience of employees and clients, but no charge is to be made to clients who are served.
 - 1.1.3. Beverages provided to clients shall be provided in a disposable container
 - 2. No live animals shall be kept or allowed in the body-piercing or tattoo establishment, except guide dogs that accompany physically disabled person(s) may be permitted.
 - 3. Adequate facilities shall be provided for the storage of employees' clothing and personal belongings. This storage shall not be located in the work areas.
 - 4. There shall be no human habitation, food service and/or preparation or other such activity which may cause potential contamination of work surfaces inside the body-piercing or tattoo establishment.

Section 20. Infection control

- a. In accordance with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration Blood Borne Pathogen Standard 29 CFR 1910.1030 established in 1992, each employer must ensure that housekeeping procedures are developed and implemented. These procedures should include the appropriate methods to disinfect surfaces or implements that have come in contact with blood and/or body fluids.
- b. All contaminated sharps (i.e., needles or broken glass) must be disposed of in a covered, puncture-proof and leak-proof "sharps" container that is labeled with the biohazard symbol.
- c. All biohazard containers shall be properly removed and disposed of according to OSHA guidelines.
- d. Use of ultraviolet (UV) light is not an approved method to disinfect equipment.



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Section 21. Employee Break Room

An employee break room shall be provided if food and nonalcoholic beverages are to be consumed by the employees. Those premises in continued operation by the same licensee prior to March 11, 2009 are exempt from this requirement.

Section 22. Tattooing Facilities - Operating Standards/Health Requirements

- a. Disposable medical gloves shall be used in the tattoo and body piercing operations.
- b. Hand washing shall be performed before, during and after service to each client.
- c. Ultrasonic Cleaning Unit and Autoclave: The installation and use of this equipment must be approved by the Local Health Director, or their designee, be commercial grade and shall be operated according to the manufacturer's guidelines and/or specifications. Cleaning procedures shall be made available. A complete set of procedures outlining the use of the equipment and disinfecting/sanitizing procedures are to be posted. All equipment must be kept clean and in good repair at all times. Any autoclave area must be at least 36 inches from any Ultrasonic cleaning unit.
- d. Instruments: All instruments shall be kept clean, in good repair, and capable of being disinfected and/or sanitized. Disposable instruments shall be used when available. Nondisposable instruments used for tattooing or body piercing should be cleaned, processed in an ultrasonic unit, packed individually in sterilized packs and sterilized by steam autoclave. A written procedure for decontamination and sterilization of equipment and surfaces shall be developed and followed.
- e. Sterilized or distilled water shall be used for dilution of any tattoo ink.
- f. Procedure Rooms: All procedure rooms shall have a door, partition or curtain to provide privacy. A sharps container must be available for each work station. All work surfaces shall be smooth, durable and easy to clean and sanitize. Hand sinks with hot/cold water under pressure must be easily accessible. Anti-bacterial soap in a dispenser and disposable paper towels in dispenser must be provided at each handwashing sink.
- g. Physician Inspection: Prior to supervising all those who render services on the premises and at least annually thereafter, a Connecticut licensed physician or osteopathic physician shall perform and document an on-site inspection of the licensed establishment to ensure proper sanitary procedures are in place. The physician or osteopathic physician shall not delegate this responsibility. The physician or osteopathic physician shall make this inspection while all those who render services are on site. The inspection shall be recorded on the form provided by the Director of Health and shall be made available upon request.
- h. Record Keeping: All facilities must maintain a record of clients served. The record keeping system shall include the name, phone number, and the date and time of the appointment. The age of a client receiving a tattoo shall be included in the record along with the information noted above. No person under the age of 18 shall receive a tattoo without the written permission of a parent or legal guardian. Documentation of the aforementioned requirements shall be made available to the Director of Health upon request.
- i. No person shall tattoo or perform body piercing on an un-emancipated minor under eighteen years of age without the written permission of the minor's parent or legal guardian. Permission forms shall be for one year on site.
- j. Connecticut Department of Health and Department of Energy and Environmental protection requirements must be followed regarding disposal of sharps and biomedical waste.



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Section 25. Body Piercing Establishment -Additional Operating Standards/ Health Requirements Statutory Reference 19a-92g.

- a. No person may perform body piercing on an un-emancipated minor under eighteen years of age without the written permission of the minor's parent or legal guardian. For purposes of the subsection, "body piercing" means piercing or creating a channel through any part of the body other than the ear lobe for the purpose of inserting a decorative object, and "ear lobe" means the lower portion of the auricle having no cartilage.

Section 26. Penalties

- a. Unless otherwise provided, any person who violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than one hundred (100) dollars for each violation.
- b. It shall be the responsibility of the offender to abate any violation as ordered by the Director of Health.
- c. Each day's violation shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 27. Unconstitutional Clause

Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remainder of said Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 28. Conflict of Regulations

In any case where a provision of this Code is found to be in conflict with a regulation of the State Department of Public Health or any other state law or regulation, on the effective date of this Code, the provision which establishes the higher standard for the promotion and protection of the health and safety of the people shall prevail.

Section 29. Supplement Provisions

In the case of any items not specifically included in this Regulation, the Connecticut Public Health Code or applicable Public Health Statutes shall apply.

Section 30. Force and Effect

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect as of the _____ day of _____, 2023 after due enactment by the Newtown Health District, member Towns in the State of Connecticut.



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Appendix A

Violations considered to be Critical Items

- Non-licensed personnel providing services for which licenses are required.
- Re-use of single use equipment and utensils.
- Not sanitizing equipment and utensils between clients.
- Staff not washing hands between clients.
- Use of prohibited utensils and equipment.
- Inadequate hot water.
- Inadequate ventilation.
- Inadequate laundry and sanitation practices.
- Cross-connections observed.

**Any Tattoo or Body Piercing Establishment with one or more uncorrected critical violations will fail inspection, receive a written order to correct item(s) within a specified time frame and will be required to pay a re-inspection fee.

Appendix B

Violations considered to pose an Imminent Health Risk

- Lack of potable water supply
- The absence of potable water, in a quantity which, found by the Director of Health or their authorized agent, is not capable of meeting the needs of the establishment.
- Non-functioning sewer system or subsurface sewage disposal system.
- Personnel with communicable disease or illness.
- Providing unapproved service.
- An ongoing outbreak of an infectious, pathogenic or toxic agent capable of being transmitted to consumers.
- An unlicensed individual performing procedures requiring licensing by the Connecticut Public Health Code.
- The absence of an approved sanitizer/disinfectant or evidence that sanitizer/disinfectant is not being used properly to thoroughly treat implements and equipment after each client.