

# How to Obtain a Body Art Health Permit



# The Safe Body Art Act

- The Safe Body Art Act regulates tattooing, permanent cosmetics, branding, and piercing.
- This law requires all body art practitioners to annually register with the County and work from an approved and inspected facility.
- Temporary body art events and mechanical ear piercing businesses are also regulated by the Safe Body Art Act.

# Body Art that requires permits and registrations

Permits allow the following types of body art to be performed:

- Tattooing
- Piercing
- Permanent Make-up
- Branding

Additional types of permits:

- Mobile tattooing
- Temporary events

# Types of permits and registrations

## Body Art Facility Owners

- Body Art facility permit fee is \$366
- Body Art registration (owner/manager) fee to perform body art is \$92

## Other Artists In Body Art Facility

- Each artist must be registered to perform body art and the fee is \$181

**Permits/registration must be renewed annually and posted on-site.**

# Permit application process

All of the following must be submitted prior to permit approval

- Application for Permit to Operate (EMD)
- Hepatitis B declination and Bloodborne Pathogen Certificate
- Permit and/or Registration Fees
- Infection Prevention Control Plan (IPCP)
- Sharps Disposal Contract
- Plans (required for new or remodeled facilities)

# Plan Review

Plan review is required for facilities that have not been previously permitted or are going to be remodeled. → See EMD handouts for more information

## Information that is required for plan review:

- Digital or hand drawn shop layout of the following : Waiting area, procedure area(s), hand sink, decontamination area (when used), front counter, lighting, storage area and restrooms.
- List of finishes
- Plans showing hot/cold water at all handsinks

## Plan review fees:

New facility fee is \$551, Remodeled facility fee is \$386

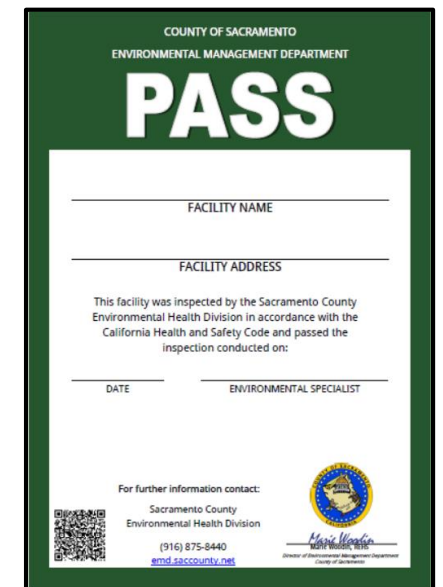


# Inspections

An inspector from EMD may conduct an inspection anytime the facility is open.

- Inspections are conducted annually
- Facility is inspected for compliance with the Safe Body Art Act
- IPCP and other documents reviewed
- Compliant facilities receive green pass placards

The owner of a body art facility is required to have a valid Body Art permit and is responsible for ensuring that all practitioners comply with the requirements of the Safe Body Art Act.



**Note:** *Inspectors may also conduct inspections related to complaints*

# Questions?





# Contacts and Additional Resources

## Contact EMD:

- (916) 875-8440
- emdinfo@saccounty.net

## EMD Website

- <https://emd.saccounty.gov/EH/Pages/BodyArt.aspx>

## Safe Body Art Act

- <https://emd.saccounty.gov/EH/Documents/AB300CaliforniaSafeBodyArtAct.pdf>
- <https://emd.saccounty.gov/EH/Pages/BodyArtApplications.aspx>

## Think Before You Ink

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0EF1yqK4t60>