



New Body Art Practitioner Registration Guide

Department of Environmental Health
Consumer Protection Division

All persons who perform body art within Santa Clara County are required to hold a valid Body Art Practitioner registration with the Department of Environmental Health (DEH) in accordance with [The Safe Body Art Act](#) and [Santa Clara County local ordinance](#).

To obtain Body Art Practitioner's registration with Santa Clara County you must submit the following items:

1. **Practitioner's Application:** [Application](#) (Must operate at a Santa Clara County DEH permitted body art facility).
 2. **Bloodborne Pathogens Training:** Obtain bloodborne pathogens training from an [approved training course provider](#). PDF certification required with submittal. *Training courses that do not meet standards will be rejected.
 3. **Proof of Hepatitis B vaccination or [declination form](#).**
 4. **Proof of Identity and Age.** (ID or passport)
 5. **Picture for Photo ID:** 2" x 2" passport type photo (digital ok)
- Please email ALL required items to bodyart@deh.sccgov.org. These documents will be reviewed and if accepted, you will be invoiced the application and permit fee. [Fee Schedule](#)
- Once the application is reviewed and approved, a permit will be mailed to you. You may operate contingent upon payment of the invoiced body art practitioner registration fee.

Body Art Practitioners will be billed on an annual basis and are subject to an annual inspection by Santa Clara County DEH. *Operating without a permit or registration is a misdemeanor and subject to penalty up to \$1,000.00.*

For more information about the Body Art Program you can access our website at <https://deh.santaclaracounty.gov/food-and-retail/compliance-non-food-retail-businesses/apply-body-art-practitioners-registration-or>

Any questions, please contact via email at bodyart@deh.sccgov.org or by phone at (408) 918-3400.