BOARD FOR BARBERS & COSMETOLOGY TATTOO AND BODY PIERCING REGULATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING

The Board for Barbers & Cosmetology Tattoo and Body Piercing Regulations Committee met on Monday, December 2, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., at the Offices of the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 9960 Mayland Drive, Training Room 2, Richmond, Virginia. The following Board members were present:

Oanh "Tina" Dang Gilda Acosta

DPOR staff present for the meeting included:

Stephen Kirschner, Regulatory Operations Administrator Tamika Rodriguez, Licensing Operations Administrator Cathy Clark, Administrative Assistant

Ms. Acosta called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

Call To Order

Public Comment

Ms. Acosta asked for Public Comment.

Jesse Smith, owner of Loose Screw Tattoo in Richmond, addressed the Committee regarding requirements for tattooers from other states and countries who attend conventions in Virginia. Mr. Smith stated that the current regulations and requirements deter body artists from out of state and from other countries from participating in Virginia conventions. The Committee took Mr. Smith's comments under advisement.

Discussion:
Public Comments
regarding
Proposed
Regulations

Mr. Kirschner provided the Committee members and staff with copies of all public comments received during the Tattoo and Body Piercing Public Comment Period, which included comments made in person at the Public Hearing on August 12, 2019, emailed comments, and comments submitted on the Virginia Town Hall website. (Addendum 1)

The Committee reviewed each comment and Mr. Kirschner provided recommended responses to be prepared and presented to the Board for its approval at its January 13, 2020 meeting.

The Committee members were provided with a copy of the proposed regulations to review. (Addendum 2)

Committee discussion included the following topics:

 Requirement for tattoo instructors to provide 5 years of licensed work experience to match the requirement for tattoo apprenticeship Board for Barbers and Cosmetology Tattoo and Body Piercing Regulations Committee December 2, 2019 Page 2 of 2

sponsors, and consideration of a required teaching techniques course;

- Inspection of newly licensed tattoo parlors or tattoo parlor applicants;
- Consideration to provide a broader range of health education that is acceptable to the Board for guest tattooers, and removing the requirement to use only approved providers;
- Consensus to wait until the revised regulations have been approved before amending Guidance Document addressing approved health education providers;
- Consideration to remove hours requirement for health education required to renew a license; and
- Consider making language regarding transfer of training hours for tattooers match the language in esthetics and barber-cosmetology regulations.

The Committee members reviewed a proposed Master Esthetician curriculum written by Ms. Dang. After review and discussion, the committee incorporated a master permanent cosmetic tattooing curriculum into the proposed regulations, including performances. By consensus, the committee approved the draft proposed regulations and referred them to the full Board for consideration.

Discussion:
Master Permanent
Cosmetic
Tattooing
Curriculum
Requirements

There being no other discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

Adjourn

Margaret B. LaPierre, Board Chair

Mary Broz-Vaughan, Board Secretary

BOARD FOR BARBERS & COSMETOLOGY TATTOO AND BODY PIERCING PROPOSED REGULATORY CHANGES PUBLIC HEARING

The Board for Barbers & Cosmetology Public Hearing for Proposed Regulatory Changes to the Tattooing and Body Piercing Regulations was held on Monday, August 12, 2019, 1:00 p.m., at the Offices of the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia, 2nd Floor, Board Room 4, Richmond, Virginia. The following DPOR staff members were present:

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

ABIGAIL THOMAS, of Under the Sun Tattoo in Floyd, Virginia, provided suggestions on convention/guest artist licensure, recommending one temporary license that would cover a two-week period and include conventions and guest artist appearances at local parlors. She stated that the applicant could provide an itinerary of locations where he/she would utilize the license.

Ms. Thomas also addressed tattoo schools and suggested that schools were resulting in a lower quality of tattooers entering the profession than those that are trained in apprenticeships. She indicated that the consensus of the professional community was negative. She stated that tattoo instructors are only required to have three years of work experience; whereas, tattoo apprentice sponsors must have five years of work experience. She added that a school program was only required to include 750 hours of training, and an apprenticeship required 1500 hours, and that there is no limit on the number of students that can be enrolled in a school program.

Ms. Thomas suggested that the same standards should apply to tattoo schools that apply to apprenticeships with regard to work experience, training hours, and number of students.

Ms. Thomas further stated that there should be a separate regulatory board for tattooing and body piercing. (Ms. Thomas provided a written outline of her remarks, which is attached.)

GABRIEL CECE, of Studio Evolve in Virginia Beach, Virginia, indicated that he felt the proposed regulations are a step backward, and that DPOR and the Board, as well as the Department of Labor and Industry need to know what those in the profession want. Mr. Cece cited unsafe standards in parlors that are not licensed, as well as unlicensed tattooers providing services out of their residences.

Mr. Cece expressed concerns about having customer service personnel that are knowledgeable about tattoo and body piercing regulations and procedures, and more availability of online forms and services.

Mr. Cece addressed the issue of limited term tattoo licensure and suggested a temporary license with a license term of 2-3 weeks. He further suggested that all forms of training for required health education should be accepted, including online training.

Mr. Cece asked about email notifications when there are regulatory changes and updates. Mr. Kirschner advised Mr. Cece about the steps to sign up on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall for email notifications.

Mr. Cece suggested a separate board for tattoo and body piercing with three or more representatives/members from each profession, or to increase the number of members from the profession on the current board.

Mr. Cece stated that the Board should avoid involving the Department of Labor and Industry in tattoo and body piercer apprenticeships, but instead to rework the existing apprenticeship standards to improve existing apprenticeships overseen by the Board. (Mr. Cece provided a written outline of his remarks and a follow-up email message to the Board, both of which are attached.)

NORMAN BURTON, of LB Beauty Academy (Tattoo School) in Richmond, Virginia, questioned the proposed increase of training hours for tattoo schools from 750 to 1000 hours, and also pointed to the disparity between the curriculum hours currently required for permanent cosmetic tattooers (90) and tattooers (750).

Mr. Burton stated that there is a perception in the industry that tattooing is under attack by the Board and that the Board is not supportive of the industry. He stated that "tattoo schools will go away" if the school curriculum is increased from 750 hours to 1000 hours, driving more artists to practice without a license.

DPOR meeting with Stephen 10/08/18

Abigail Thomas

Below are all the notes I have on the meeting we had with Stephen in October. Feel free to add, edit, or omit anything you think it needs. Some of the changes are minute (like changing "inks and dyes" to "pigment") but I decided to just include everything I got notes on just in case.

Temporary Tattoo Sponsor/Host

We would like there to be a specified list of shop owners and/or convention coordinators who may sign off on a tattooist wishing to temporarily tattoo in a Virginia licensed tattoo parlor, or Virginia licensed event tattoo parlor. Temporary tattooists would need to submit an itinerary of all conventions and parlors they wish to tattoo at. The list specific that there shops/conventions can host visiting tattoours, not necessarily sign paperwork for each applicant.

18VAC41-50-20: General requirements for tattooer, convention tattooer, guest tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer

Convention tattooer and guest tattooer should be one temporary license where a tattooist may tattoo at both a licensed tattoo parlor, or licensed event tattoo parlor.

18VAC41-50-30: License by endorsement

We would like to add a temporary license by endorsement so that a tattooist may work while the details of their permanent license are sorted out. Sort of like a learner's permit

18VAC41-50-80: Tattoo Parlor, limited term tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon license

Change "limited term tattoo parlor" to "Event tattoo parlor" since a temporary tattooing area is mainly for conventions.

18VAC41-50-80

G: A limited term tattoo parlor license is effective for five consecutive days prior to the expiration date 1-2

Extend to weeks so that conventions have the option to host tattooing workshops and educationals before and/or after conventions (3-4 times a year?)

I: A firm may obtain a maximum of two limited term tattoo parlor licenses within a 30 consecutive days time period

If the time period is extended to 1-2 weeks, then this section would be omitted?

18VAC41-50-92: Guest Tattooer License

A: A guest tattooer license is effective for 14 days prior to expiration date Extend to 1-month

B: An out of state resident may obtain up to three guest tattooer licenses per calendar

Increase to (4) 1-month temporary license

An applicant must provide ... C - 4: Documentation showing guest tattooer sponsor included signature of sponsor's responsible management

Add an <u>itinerary</u> of conventions and tattoo parlors where guest tattooers are planning to work.

Itineraries should include parlor name, parlor license number, name(s) of parlor owner, convention coordinator, or responsible management of a licensed tattooing parlor, and start and end dates of tattooing period. Call numbers to confirm great spot tattoo guest spot.

18VAC41-50-110: Tattooing (school) instructor certificate

An applicant shall ... A-2: Provide documentation of three years of work experience within the past five years

Extend to 8-10 years. If not 8-10 years, it should be no less than Apprenticeship Sponsor required work experience.

18VAC41-50-290: Hours of instruction and performances

A: Curriculum requirements specified in 18VAC41-50-280 shall be taught over a minimum of 1,000 hours:

Should be equal to Apprenticeship (currently set to 1,500 and they are wanting to increase to 2,000)

18VAC41-50-390: Physical facilities

E. Cabinets for the storage of instruments, dyes, pigments, single-use articles, carbon stencils and other utensils shall be provided for each operator and shall be maintained in a sanitary manner.

Remove "dyes" and "carbon" since is dye not an appropriate term for tattoo pigment and no one is using carbon stencils anymore.

18VAC41-50-400: Tattooer or permanent cosmetic tattooer or master permanent cosmetic tattooer responsibilities

I: Tattooing inks and dyes shall be placed in a single-use disposable container for each client ...

Same as above, removing "inks and dyes" and replacing it with "pigment"

J: If shaving is required, razors shall be single-use and disposed of in a puncture resistant container

We would like to get rid of this section as razors don't typically puncture through trash bags and rarely have blood on them. They are also typically used before a tattoo is started so it's not even technically biohazardous.

We would like to add that all tattoo equipment that a tattooer may touch with contaminated gloves or comes in direct contact with the tattooed body part be wrapped in a plastic disposable barrier. This includes, but is not limited to; tattoo machines, clip cords, squeeze bottles, tattooing trays/stations, power supplies, lamps, and armrests or other furniture that may come in direct

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contact with the tattooed body part. After the plastic barrier has been properly disposed of, the items are to be cleaned using a germicidal solution following every tattoo.

We had discussed getting rid of the autoclave portion of the regulations (18VAC41-50-400 M-S) but it might be impossible to impose a strictly-disposable tattooing method since it means technically forcing a tattooer to purchase all disposable supplies which is illegal. We had talked about writing in specific detail the procedure a tattooer would need to follow, but I haven't had to the time to write one up. Is that something I should put effort in?



I believe that I speak for some, if not most professional tattooers and shop owners in virginia, in saying that I think these new proposed regulations are a step backwards.

Although it may not seem so to you, we are a group of motivated and driven individuals, who have worked our way through many an obstacle, to get where we are in our careers, and more than that, we are very self governing and self regulating.

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In closing, I do believe that the DPOR has improved a bit in the last two years, communications have improved some, and its greatly appreciated that you have taken the time to talk with us...using some of the information we have shared to better the way things are. We hope that you will continue to let our voices be heard, to find a balanced compromise on all of the regulations. We look forward to spending more time going over things with a fine tooth comb, to work out all of our differences, and land on a set of rules and regulations that take everything into consideration on all sides of the situations. I especially look forward to the next hurdle of sorting out the apprenticeship guidelines, and avoiding the involvement of DOLI.

Thank you for taking the time to have read all of this.



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2 messages

mr.gabrielcece. < gabrielcece. llc@gmail.com>

Tue, Aug 13, 2019 at 1:05 AM

To: "Kirschner, Stephen" <steve.kirschner@dpor.virginia.gov>, Tattoo Gilda Acosta <gilda@ladyoctopus.tattoo>, AbsoluteBananaz <abbyemt@gmail.com>, Jesse Smith <jessesmith@loosescrewtattoo.com>, "DPOR: Board for Barbers & Cosmetology (DPOR)" <barbercosmo@dpor.virginia.gov>

goodmorning all.

On Monday, Abby and I were in attendance at the public town hall meeting at the DPOR building in RVA. Even though Abby and I went back to the meeting after it happened, and spent some time talking with Steven about several topics, i thought that it was important to share one of the most important things i watched and learned from.

The gentleman representing his tattoo school is in fact, the reason that tattoo schools need more regulation and oversight. Not to be insulting to the man, and how he makes his living (pushing students through his business in as few hours as possible), but, he is clearly in the dark about practical requirements and training in application, versus academic information being dispersed into a classroom.

Tattooing, in its very essence, requires hours of information exchanged verbally (as well as through the written word and through apprentice/student independent research), but also many more hours of practical hands on training and experience, before being qualified enough to even touch a tattoo machine, much less tattoo, or take the test to become a legitimately licensed tattooer.

The gentleman, Norman Burton of LB Beauty Academy, was present to gather information and question some of the newly proposed regulations, as he didn't seem to have spent much time reading thoroughly enough to understand them. He was also there to oppose the increase of student hours from 750 to 1000 hours, saying that it was difficult for his students to even achieve the standard now. He went on to use tattoo apprenticeships and their (sometimes potential) cost as an example of our bad business, and also referred to myself and Abby, and to what we said, regarding our ideas of what we think standards should be.

All of which to me, and his presence there alone, further exemplifies that tattoo schools breed ignorance and improper training standards. The gentleman clearly has no knowledge of tattooing and it's basic core principals, is likely not a licensed tattooer, mentor, instructor, or legal tattoo school, and his goal there was to see the required hours stay the same as they are, or even lessened, nothing more,

I stand by my original point, even more so now, that tattoo schools need more regulation and stricter guidelines, equal and fair requirements and hours to match ours as tattooers, and public transparent viewing of their curriculum.

The one thing that the gentleman brought up, that actually made sense, is that hours for permanent cosmetic training should be raised. I wholeheartedly concur, and couldn't agree more. Tattooing apprenticeships, permanent cosmetic tattoo apprenticeships, permanent cosmetic schools, and tattoo schools should all be held to the same rules, regulations, expectations, and hours required, having one mentor or teacher, to two apprentices or students at the same time...1500 hours, across the board, no exceptions, fair and balanced. We all inevitably break the skin with a needle, that goes through a tube, attached to a machine, that leaves pigment behind...henceforth, tattooing.

In closing, i ask you all to please consider logic and reason, the difference between right and wrong, fairness to everyone involved, and that the public safety that could actually be compromised when students are being taught at substandard levels, by incompetent instructors and school leaders.

Lastly, again, i am asking that all tattooers and tattoo studios in the commonwealth of Virginia, be directly notified when new legislation is being pushed through the DPOR. It's only fair to everyone, who's livelihood is on the table, with every bit of regulation that passes.

thank you for reading. Gabriel Cece

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Respect the elders. Teach the young. Cooperate with the pack. Play when you can. Hunt when you must. Rest in between. Share your affections. Voice your feelings. Leave your mark. (Del Goetz)

Tue, Aug 13, 2019 at 8:33 AM

To: "mr.gabrielcece ." <gabrielcece.llc@gmail.com>

Bcc: Stephen Kirschner <steve.kirschner@dpor.virginia.gov>

Dear Mr. Cece:

By copy of this reply, your message has been forwarded to Mr. Kirschner.

In addition, your comments will be prepared and presented to the Board, along with your remarks presented at the forum. Thank you for your participation.

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Feedback on licenses to perform certain services

1 message

Susan Rickwa <susanrickwa@gmail.com> To: BarberCosmo@dpor.virginia.gov

Wed, Aug 14, 2019 at 12:57 PM

Good afternoon.

My name is Susan Rickwa, I am a licensed Permanent makeup artist. I wanted to provide feedback and my thoughts on performing other services that other licenses are able to perform that a permanent make up artist cannot. Specifically lash extensions and lash lifts. Being in my field of beauty as many of many others, I question why permanent make up license holders are not part of the group of licenses that are able to perform lash extensions and lash lifts? I wanted to put my input in on this matter because just like estheticians and cosmetologists, permanent make up artists provide beauty services to clients to enhance the face and make the client feel confident and beautiful. I speak for many who are not interested in becoming estheticians or cosmetologists as a career path however we are limited to only what we are licensed in. Not having the same add on benefits that fall within the beauty category. I feel is unfair. Is this a matter that has been brought up before? What were the reasons why permanent make up artists allowed this privilege? Will this change in the future?

Thank you kindly for your time.

Susan Rickwa

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Commenter: gabriel cece, studio evolve tattoo 8/11/19 1:42 pm

response to newly proposed tattoo legislation

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barbers and cosmetology, so that at the very least, our concerns and requests aren't being outweighed by the other 11 people, who aren't in our field of expertise, and shouldn't be governing us.

In closing, I do believe that the DPOR has improved a bit in the last two years, communications have improved some, and its greatly appreciated that you have taken the time to talk with us...using some of the information we have shared to better the way things are. We hope that you will continue to let our voices be heard, to find a balanced compromise on all of the regulations. We look forward to spending more time going over things with a fine tooth comb, to work out all of our differences, and land on a set of rules and regulations that take everything into consideration on all sides of the situations. I especially look forward to the next hurdle of sorting out the apprenticeship guidelines, and avoiding the involvement of DOLI.

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Commenter: gabriel cece, studio evolve tattoo 8/13/19 1:07 am

public town hall meeting 8.12.19

On Monday, Abby and I were in attendance at the public town hall meeting at the DPOR building in RVA. Even though Abby and I went back to the meeting after it happened, and spent some time talking with Steven about several topics, i thought that it was important to share one of the most important things i watched and learned from.

The gentleman representing his tattoo school is in fact, the reason that tattoo schools need more regulation and oversight. Not to be insulting to the man, and how he makes his living (pushing students through his business in as few hours as possible), but, he is clearly in the dark about practical requirements and training in application, versus academic information being dispersed into a classroom.

Tattooing, in its very essence, requires hours of information exchanged verbally (as well as through the written word and through apprentice/student independent research), but also many many more hours of practical hands on training and experience, before being qualified enough to even touch a tattoo machine, much less tattoo, or take the test to become a legitimately licensed tattooer.

The gentleman, was present to gather information and question some of the newly proposed regulations, as he didn't seem to have spent much time reading thoroughly enough to understand them. He was also there to oppose the increase of student hours from 750 to 1000 hours, saying that it was difficult for his students to even achieve the standard now. He went on to use tattoo apprenticeships and their (sometimes potential) cost as an example of our bad business, and also referred to myself and Abby, and to what we said, regarding our ideas of what we think standards should be.

All of which to me, and his presence there alone, further exemplifies that tattoo schools breed ignorance and improper training standards. The gentleman clearly has no knowledge of tattooing and it's basic core principals, is likely not a licensed tattooer, mentor, instructor, or legal tattoo school, and his goal there was to see the required hours stay the same as they are, or even lessened, nothing more.

I stand by my original point, even more so now, that tattoo schools need more regulation and

stricter guidelines, equal and fair requirements and hours to match ours as tattooers, and public transparent viewing of their curriculum.

The one thing that the gentleman brought up, that actually made sense, is that hours for permanent cosmetic training should be raised. I wholeheartedly concur, and couldn't agree more. Tattooing apprenticeships, permanent cosmetic tattoo apprenticeships, permanent cosmetic schools, and tattoo schools should all be held to the same rules, regulations, expectations, and hours required, having one mentor or teacher, to two apprentices or students at the same time...1500 hours, across the board, no exceptions, fair and balanced. We all inevitably break the skin with a needle, that goes through a tube, attached to a machine, that leaves pigment behind...henceforth, tattooing.

In closing, i ask you all to please consider logic and reason, the difference between right and wrong, fairness to everyone involved, and that the public safety that could actually be compromised when students are being taught at substandard levels, by incompetent instructors and school leaders.

Lastly, again, i am asking that all tattooers and tattoo studios in the commonwealth of Virginia, be directly notified when new legislation is being pushed through the DPOR. It's only fair to everyone, who's livelihood is on the table, with every bit of regulation that passes.

thank you for reading, Gabriel Cece Virginia gov Agen

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Commenter: Stitch Martinez, Primal Tattoo 8/14/19 2:34 pm

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I would like to comment on tattoo schools. It is a scary realty that the tattoo schools are not training their students properly. We've all seen tattoo school graduates, who are fully licensed and are incapable of tattooing. Many of which are incapable of following basic guidelines for sanitation.

Tattoo schools students should be held to the same standard that tattoo apprentices are, including hours. I never understood why tattoo school students had less hours than a traditional apprenticeship. Tattoo school educators should also be licensed tattoo artists. It doesn't make sense for anyone else to train future tattoo artists.

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Commenter: Abigail Thomas / Under The Sun Tattoo 8/14/19 1:18 pm

Abigail Bowen/Under The Sun Tattoo

I have five topics I'd like to comment on.

The first is the "convention tattooer license" and the "guest artist license." Traveling tattooists often want to do a guest spot in a local shop before or after a convention for financial or marketing purposes. I feel they should have the option to attend a convention AND do a guest spot without having to apply for two separate licenses. A tattooist should be able to obtain a "temporary tattoo license" that is valid for 2-4 weeks and they should be able to tattoo at any licensed parlor, permanent or temporary, in that time frame. A simple itinerary of where the tattooist plans to work, dates coinciding with the shop and/or convention they are attending, as well as a name, phone number and/or e-mail address of the responsible management that can confirm their travel plans. A couple of phone calls or emails from DPOR employees to confirm that the itinerary is correct should suffice in processing their application.

The second is in regards to the tattoo schools. My personal feeling about them is similar to a lot of professional tattooists in that it lowers the quality of tattooists coming into the industry. A lot of the graduates that come out of these schools are not always being trained properly in cleanliness, technique, or artistry, which is usually filtered through the apprenticeship method. Obviously, there are outliers because no system is perfect, but the general consensus with Tattoo Schools is negative in the community. However, we know that Tattoo Schools are here to stay and of course some are going to be better than others.

At the 8.12.19 Town Hall Meeting I witnessed a Tattoo School owner who appeared, to me, to know little to nothing about tattooing. He didn't even take the time to read about the proposed changes beforehand to be fully informed on what was going on at this meeting. His statements were ignorant in the ways of tattooing that it reenforced my feelings that Tattoo Schools need to be held to the same standards and potentially more scrutiny since there are many stories of fully-licensed tattoo school graduates who were not trained properly.

That is my main issue; tattoo schools are not held to the same standards as an apprenticeship. The instructors can be less qualified with only 3 years experience, have an unlimited number of students, and their required hours are literally half of an apprenticeship. I feel one-on-one attention from a mentor who has a personal interest in how their apprentice performs, and a 3 year tattooist with 10 students that can "teach them how to tattoo" in a 3 month course is not comparable. It's a step in the right direction that DPOR requires tattoo schools to submit a curriculum, but I'm not sure any tattoo school curricula has been reviewed by an experienced tattooist. They may follow

the basic guidelines set in the regulations, but those are only categories with no real definition of how in-depth these subjects should be taught. Only an experienced tattooist knows what is and isn't important to teach their students, and a 3-year tattooist often does not have the experience, knowledge, or humility to be able to properly train students.

The reason, I believe, the apprenticeship method is superior to a tattoo school is because even though an apprentice may be fully "qualified" with their hours and trained to properly draw and apply a tattoo, the mentor is still very involved in their education. Those first two years of tattooing are full of learning curves. The scenarios are vast and it would take years of classroom work to try and cover them all, and you have an experienced mentor who can guide you through the process while you're still under their tutelage. A tattoo school student passes their 3-month tattoo course and then are sent out into whatever shop will take them or, god forbid, they open their own shop; their education stops at 3 months. Tattoo schools are putting out people with a 3-month course who may or may not have the proper training with no one to guide them through the real part of their education, which is experience. A true tattooist is not out to create as many tattooers as possible to make a buck because we understand the ramifications of such actions.

My proposal is that tattoo schools should be held to the same standards to the apprenticeship. Tattoo School Instructors should have equal experience in tattooing to an apprenticeship sponsor (currently set to 5 years), equal required hours, and limiting the number of students per Tattoo School instructor.

The fourth issue isn't really addressed in the regulation changes, but we would like to see it happen, is raising the permanent cosmetic tattooing required hours to match that of a standard tattooist (currently set to 1500, proposed to increase to 2000). I feel that all forms of tattooing should be equal in standard because it is inevitably making a permanent change to someone's body. The clients are trusting that their tattooist has the proper knowledge and training to perform these changes and by raising the required hours could help ensure that. With the rising popularity of permanent cosmetic tattooing and the high-risk factor of damaging eyes and ruining people's faces I see that as a reasonable request.

Lastly, I am with Gabe when I ask that at least all tattoo parlors (ideally all active tattooists) in Virginia be notified either through e-mail and/or letter of any regulation changes as well as relevant upcoming meetings. Most tattooists in Virginia don't know that they have to sign up in order to receive these notifications and I feel it's DPOR's job to keep them up to date. We've tried to keep the ones in our circle in the loop, but ultimately a direct e-mail or letter would get their attention and ultimately more participation.

Thank you for your time.
-Abigail Bowen Thomas
Under The Sun Tattoo

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CHAPTER 50 TATTOOING REGULATIONS Part I General

18VAC41-50-10. Definitions.

The following words and terms when used in this chapter shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise. All terms defined in Chapter 7 (§ 54.1-700 et seq.) of Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia are incorporated in this chapter.

"Apprenticeship program" means an approved tattooing training program conducted by an approved apprenticeship sponsor.

"Apprenticeship sponsor" means an individual approved to conduct tattooing apprenticeship training who meets the qualifications in 18VAC41-50-70.

"Aseptic technique" means a hygienic practice that prevents and hinders the direct transfer of microorganisms, regardless of pathogenicity, from one person or place to another person or place.

"Business entity" means a sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other form of organization permitted by law.

"Direct supervision" means that a Virginia licensed tattooer shall be present in the tattoo parlor at all times when services are being performed by an apprentice, that a Virginia licensed tattooing instructor shall be present in the tattooing school at all times when services are being performed by a student, or that a Virginia licensed permanent cosmetic tattooing instructor shall be present in the permanent cosmetic tattooing school at all times when services are being performed by a student.

"Endorsement" means a method of obtaining a license by a person who is currently licensed in another state.

"Limited term Event tattoo parlor" means a tattoo parlor temporary location licensed to operate for a maximum of five consecutive days.

"Firm" means any business entity recognized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

"Gratuitous services" as used in § 54.1-701.5 of the Code Virginia means providing tattooing services without receiving compensation or reward, or obligation. Gratuitous services do not include services provided at no charge when goods are purchased.

"Guest tattooer" means a tattooer or permanent cosmetic tattooer residing outside of Virginia who is licensed only to work for a two week period at a specified tattoo parlor or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon.

"Guest tattooer sponsor" means a licensed tattoo parlor or permanent cosmetic tattooing salon that is sponsoring and providing direct supervision of a guest tattooer.

"Licensee" means any person, partnership, association, limited liability company, or corporation sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other form of organization permitted by law holding a license issued by the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology, as defined in § 54.1-700 of the Code of Virginia.

"Limited term tattooer" means a tattooer licensed to perform tattooing for a maximum of five consecutive days in an organized event or in a Virginia licensed tattoo parlor.

"Master permanent cosmetic tattooer" means any person who for compensation practices permanent cosmetic tattooing known in the industry as advanced permanent cosmetic tattooing including but not limited to cheek blush, eye shadow, and breast and scar repigmentation or camouflage.

"Permanent cosmetic tattoo salon" means any place in which permanent cosmetic tattooing is offered or practiced for compensation.

"Permanent cosmetic tattooer" means any person who for compensation practices permanent cosmetic tattooing known in the industry as basic permanent cosmetic tattooing including but not limited to eyebrows, microblading, eyeliners, lip coloring, lip liners, or full lips.

"Permanent cosmetic tattooing" means placing marks upon or under the skin of any person with ink or any other substance, resulting in the permanent coloration of the skin on the face, including but not limited to eyebrows, eyeliners, lip coloring, lip liners, full lips, cheek blush, eye shadow, forehead and scalp micropigmentation, and on the body for breast and scar repigmentation or camouflage; also known as permanent make-up or micropigmentation.

"Permanent cosmetic tattooing instructor" means a person who has been certified by the board who meets the competency standards of the board as an instructor of permanent cosmetic tattooing.

"Permanent cosmetic tattooing school" means a place or establishment licensed by the board to accept and train students and offers a permanent cosmetic tattooing curriculum approved by the board.

"Pigments" means tattooing ink designed for use on human skin.

"Post-secondary educational level" means an accredited college or university that is approved or accredited by an accrediting agency that is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

"Reinstatement" means having a license restored to effectiveness after the expiration date has passed.

"Renewal" means continuing the effectiveness of a license for another period of time.

"Responsible management" means the following individuals:

- 1. The sole proprietor of a sole proprietorship;
- 2. The partners of a general partnership;
- 3. The managing partners of a limited partnership;
- 4. The officers of a corporation;
- 5. The managers of a limited liability company:
- 6. The officers or directors of an association or both; and
- 7. Individuals in other business entities recognized under the laws of the Commonwealth as having a fiduciary responsibility to the firm.

"Sole proprietor" means any individual, not a corporation, who is trading under his own name, or under an assumed or fictitious name pursuant to the provisions of §§ 59.1-69 through 59.1-76 of the Code of Virginia.

"Sterilization area" means a separate room or area separate from workstations with restricted client access in which tattooing instruments are cleaned, disinfected, and sterilized.

<u>"Tattoo convention" means an event where Virginia and out-of-state tattooers gather for no more than five consecutive days to offer tattooing services to the public.</u>

"Tattooing instructor" means a person who has been certified by the board who meets the competency standards of the board as an instructor of tattooing.

"Temporary location" means a fixed location at which tattooing is performed for a specified length of time of not more than five days in conjunction with a single event or celebration.

Part II Entry

18VAC41-50-20. General requirements for tattooer, limited term convention tattooer, guest tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer.

A. In order to receive a license as a tattooer, limited term tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer in compliance with § 54.1-703 of the Code of Virginia, an applicant must-Any individual wishing to engage in tattooing, limited term tattooing, permanent cosmetic tattooing, or master permanent cosmetic tattooing shall obtain a license in compliance with § 54.1-703 of the Code of Virginia and meet the following qualifications:

1. The applicant must be in good standing as a tattooer, limited term convention tattooer, guest tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer in every jurisdiction where licensed, certified, or registered. The applicant shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure any disciplinary action taken in another Virginia or any other jurisdiction in connection with the applicant's practice as a tattooer, limited term tattooer, guest tattooer, tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer. This includes but is not limited to monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender of a license in connection with a disciplinary action, or voluntary termination of a license. The applicant shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure whether if he has been previously licensed in Virginia as a tattooer, limited term tattooer, guest tattooer, tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer.

Upon review of the applicant's prior disciplinary action, the board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant wherein the board deems the applicant is unfit or unsuited to engage in tattooing, guest tattooing, permanent cosmetic tattooing, or master permanent cosmetic tattooing. The board will decide each case by taking into account the totality of the circumstances. Any plea of nolo contendere or comparable plea shall be considered a disciplinary action for the purposes of this section. The applicant shall provide a certified copy of a final order, decree, or case decision by a court, regulatory agency, or board with the lawful authority to issue such order, decree, or case decision, and such copy shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such disciplinary action.

- 2. The applicant shall disclose his physical address. A post office box is not acceptable.
- 3. The applicant shall sign, as part of the application, a statement certifying that the applicant has read and understands the Virginia tattooing license laws and the board's tattooing regulations this chapter.
- 4. In accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia, the <u>each</u> applicant must not have been convicted in any jurisdiction of a misdemeanor or felony that directly relates to the profession of tattooing. The board shall have the authority to determine, based upon all the information available, including the applicant's record of prior convictions, if the applicant is unfit or unsuited to engage in the profession of tattooing. The board will decide each case by taking into account the totality of the circumstances. Any plea of nole contenders shall be considered a conviction for the purposes of this section. The applicant shall provide a certified copy of a final order, decree or case decision by a court or regulatory agency with the lawful authority to issue such order, decree or case decision, and such copy shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such conviction. This record shall be forwarded by the applicant to the board within 10 days after all appeal rights have expired. Shall disclose the following information regarding criminal convictions in Virginia and all other jurisdictions:
- a. All misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within two years of the date of the application; and
 - b. All felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application

Any plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for purposes of this subsection. The record of a conviction received from a court shall be accepted as prima facie evidence of a conviction or finding of guilt. The board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant in accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia.

- 5. The applicant shall provide evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has passed the board approved examination, administered either by the board or by a designated testing service.
- 6. Persons who (i) make application for licensure between October 1, 2006, and September 30, 2007; (ii) have completed three years of documented work experience within the preceding five years as a tattooer; and (iii) have completed a minimum of five hours of health education to include but not limited to bloodborne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to tattooing and first aid and CPR that is acceptable to the board are not required to complete subdivision 5 of this subsection.
- B. Eligibility to sit for board-approved examination.
 - 1. Training in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
 - a. Any person completing an approved tattooing apprenticeship in a Virginia licensed tattoo parlor or completing an approved tattooing training program in a Virginia licensed school of tattooing, or completing a permanent cosmetic tattooing or master permanent cosmetic tattooing training program in a Virginia licensed permanent cosmetic tattooing school shall be eligible to sit for the applicable examination.
 - b. Any person completing master permanent cosmetic training that is acceptable to the board shall be eligible to sit for the examination. Training should be conducted in a permanent facility.
 - 2. Training outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia, but within the United States and its territories.
 - a. Any person completing a tattooing, or permanent cosmetic tattooing training, or master permanent cosmetic tattooing, or tattooing apprenticeship program that is substantially equivalent to the Virginia program but is outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia must submit to the board documentation of the successful completion of training or apprenticeship to be eligible for examination. If less than required hours of tattooing or permanent cosmetic tattooing training or tattooing apprenticeship was completed, an applicant must submit (i) documentation acceptable to the board verifying the completion of a substantially equivalent tattooing training or tattooing apprenticeship or permanent cosmetic tattooing or master permanent cosmetic tattooing training or documentation of three years of work experience within the preceding five years as a tattooer, and (ii) documentation of completion of a minimum of five hours of health education to include but not limited to blood borne disease bloodborne pathogens, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to tattooing and first aid and CPR that is acceptable to the board in order to be eligible for examination.
 - b. Any person completing master permanent cosmetic training that is acceptable to the board shall be eligible to sit for the examination. Training should be conducted in a permanent facility.

18VAC41-50-30. License by endorsement.

Upon proper application to the board, any person currently licensed to practice as a tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer in any other state or jurisdiction of the United States and who has completed a training or apprenticeship program and an examination that is substantially equivalent to that required by this chapter may be issued a

tattooer license, permanent cosmetic tattooer license, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer license, respectively, without an examination. The applicant must also meet the requirements set forth in 18VAC41-50-20 A 1 through A 4.

18VAC41-50-40. Examination requirements and fees.

- A. Applicants for initial licensure shall pass an examination approved by the board. The examinations may be administered by the board or by a designated testing service.
- B. Any candidate failing to appear as scheduled for examination shall forfeit the examination fee.
- C. The applicant shall follow all procedures established by the board with regard to conduct at the examination. Such procedures shall include any written instructions communicated prior to the examination date and any instructions communicated at the site, either written or oral, on the date of the examination. Failure to comply with all procedures established by the board and the testing service with regard to conduct at the examination may be grounds for denial of application.
- D. Any applicant who does not pass a reexamination within one year of the initial examination date shall be required to submit a new application
- E. The fee for examination or reexamination is subject to contracted charges to the board by an outside vendor. These contracts are competitively negotiated and bargained for in compliance with the Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 2.2-4300 et seq. of the Code of Virginia). Fees may be adjusted and charged to the candidate in accordance with these contracts. The fee shall not exceed \$225 per candidate.
- F. Any candidate failing to apply for initial licensure within five years of passing the written examination shall be required to retake the examination. Records of examinations shall be maintained for a maximum of five years.

18VAC41-50-50. Reexamination requirements. (Repealed.)

Any applicant who does not pass a reexamination within one year of the initial examination date shall be required to submit a new application and examination fee.

18VAC41-50-60. Examination administration. (Repealed.)

- A. The examinations may be administered by the board or the designated testing service.
- B. The applicant shall follow all procedures established by the board with regard to conduct at the examination. Such procedures shall include any written instructions communicated prior to the examination date and any instructions communicated at the site, either written or oral, on the date of the examination. Failure to comply with all procedures established by the board and the testing service with regard to conduct at the examination may be grounds for denial of application.
- C. The fee for examination or reexamination is subject to contracted charges to the board by an outside vendor. These contracts are competitively negotiated and bargained for in compliance with the Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 2.2 4300 et seq. of the Code of Virginia). Fees may be adjusted and charged to the candidate in accordance with these contracts. The fee shall not exceed \$225 per candidate.

18VAC41-50-70. General requirements for a tattooing apprenticeship sponsor.

- A. Upon filing an application with the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology, any person meeting the qualifications set forth in this section may be eligible to sponsor a tattooing apprentice if the person:
 - 1. Holds a current Virginia tattooer license;
 - 2. Provides documentation of legally practicing tattooing for at least five years; and

- 3. Provides documentation indicating that he is in good standing in all jurisdictions where the practice of tattooing is regulated.
- B. Apprenticeship sponsors shall be required to maintain a tattooer license.
- C. Apprenticeship sponsors shall ensure compliance with the 1500 hour tattooing apprenticeship program and tattooing apprenticeship standards.

18VAC41-50-80. Tattoo parlor, limited term Event tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon license.

- A. Any individual firm wishing to operate a tattoo parlor, limited term Event tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon shall obtain a tattoo parlor license, limited term Event tattoo parlor license, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon license in compliance with § 54.1-704.1 of the Code of Virginia, and shall meet the following qualifications in order to receive a license:
 - 1. The applicant and all members of the responsible management shall be in good standing as a licensed shop or salon in Virginia and all other jurisdictions where licensed. The applicant and all members of the responsible management shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions in connection with the applicant's operation of any tattoo parlor, limited term tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon or practice of the profession. This includes monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender of a license in connection with a disciplinary action, or voluntary termination of a license. The applicant shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure if the applicant or any member of the responsible management has been previously licensed in Virginia as a tattoo parlor, limited term tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon.

Upon review of the applicant's and all members of the responsible management's prior disciplinary action, the board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant wherein it deems the applicant is unfit or unsuited to engage in the operation of a tattoo parlor, limited term tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon. The board will decide each case by taking into account the totality of the circumstances. Any plea of nolo contendere or comparable plea shall be considered a disciplinary action for the purposes of this section. The applicant shall provide a certified copy of a final order, decree, or case decision by a court, regulatory agency, or board with the lawful authority to issue such order, decree, or case decision, and such copy shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such disciplinary action.

- 2. The applicant shall disclose his physical address. A post office box is not acceptable.
- 3. The applicant shall sign, as part of the application, a statement certifying that the applicant has read and understands the Virginia tattooing license laws and this chapter.
- 4. In accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia, each applicant shall disclose the following information about the firm and all members of the responsible management regarding criminal convictions in Virginia and all other jurisdictions:
 - a. All misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within two years of the date of the application; and
 - b. All felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application.

Any plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for purposes of this subsection. The record of a conviction received from a court shall be accepted as prima facie evidence of a conviction or finding of guilt. The board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant in accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia.

5. The applicant shall disclose the firm's responsible management.

- B. A tattoo parlor license, limited term tattoo parlor license, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon license shall not be transferable and shall bear the same name and address of the business. Any changes in the name, <u>or</u> address, or ownership of the parlor or salon shall be reported to the board in writing within 30 days of such changes. New owners shall be responsible for reporting such changes in writing to the board applying for a new license within 30 days of the changes.
- C. In the event of a closing of a tattoo parlor or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon, the board must be notified by the owners in writing within 30 days of the closing, and the license must be returned by the owners to the board. Whenever the legal business entity holding the license is dissolved or altered to form a new business entity, the original license becomes void and shall be returned to the board within 30 days of the change. Additionally, the firm shall apply for a new license, within 30 days of the change in the business entity. Such changes include [but are not limited to]:
 - 1. Death of a sole proprietor;
 - 2. Death or withdrawal of a general partner in a general partnership or the managing partner in a limited partnership; and
 - 3. Conversion, formation, or dissolution of a corporation, a limited liability company, an association, or any other business entity recognized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- D. Any change in the officers of a corporation, managers of a limited liability company, or officers or directors of an association shall be reported to the board in writing within 30 days of the change.
- E. Any tattoo parlor or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon wishing to host a guest tattooer must identify itself as the guest tattooer sponsor and must provide direct supervision of any tattooing by the guest tattooer.
- D.F. Any individual firm wishing to operate a tattoo parlor in a temporary location must have a tattoo parlor license or limited term Event tattoo parlor license issued by the board.
- E.G. A limited term Event tattoo parlor license is effective for five 14 consecutive days prior to the expiration date.
- F.H. A person or entity firm may obtain a maximum of five limited term Event tattoo parlor licenses within a calendar year.
- G.<u>I.</u> A person or entity <u>firm</u> may obtain a maximum of two limited term Event tattoo parlor licenses within a 30 consecutive days time period.

18VAC41-50-90. Limited term tattooer license. (Repealed.)

- A. A limited term tattooer license is effective for five consecutive days prior to the expiration date.
- B. A person may obtain a maximum of five limited term tattooer licenses within a calendar year.
- C. A person may obtain a maximum of two limited term tattooer licenses within a 30 consecutive days time period.
 - D. A limited term tattooer applicant must meet the following qualifications:
 - 1. Requirements set forth in 18VAC41 50 20 A 1 through A 4.
 - 2. Documentation of health education knowledge to include but not limited to blood-borne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to tattooing, and first aid and CPR that is acceptable to the board.
 - E. A limited term tattooer applicant is not required to complete 18VAC41-50-20 A 5.

18VAC41-50-91. Guest Tattooer License.

- A. A guest tattooer license is effective for 14 days prior to the expiration date.
- B. An out of state resident may obtain up to five guest tattooer licenses per calendar year.
- C. A guest tattooer applicant must meet the following qualifications:
 - 1. Requirements set forth in 18VAC41-50-20 A 1 through A 4.
 - 2. Present documentation showing out-of-state residency.
 - 3. Documentation of health education knowledge to include but not limited to bloodborne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to tattooing, and first aid and CPR that is acceptable to the board.
 - 4. Documentation showing guest tattooer sponsor including signature of sponsor parlor's responsible management.
 - <u>5. Guest Tattooers must provide the name and license number of their sponsor, and the duration of their tattooing for all guest tattooer locations.</u>
- D. A guest tattooer applicant is not required to complete 18VAC41-50-20 A 5.

18VAC41-50-92. Guest Tattooer Sponsor.

- A. The licensed tattoo parlor that agrees to sponsor a guest tattooer shall ensure that the guest tattooer:
- 1. Has a valid, current guest tattooer licensed for the entire duration of their tattooing at the parlor.
 - 2. <u>Is directly supervised by a licensed tattooer.</u>
- 3. <u>Complies with all Virginia regulations relating to health, sanitation, client qualifications, and standards of practice.</u>
- B. The license permanent cosmetic tattooing salon that agrees to sponsor a guest tattooer shall ensure that following:
- 1. Has a valid, current guest tattooer licensed for the entire duration of their tattooing at the salon.
 - 2. <u>Is directly supervised by a licensed tattooer or permanent cosmetic tattooer.</u>
- 3. <u>Complies with all Virginia regulations relating to health, sanitation, client qualifications,</u> and standards of practice.
- C. With the exception of tattoo conventions, a member of the guest tattooer sponsor's responsible management must sign the guest tattooer application certifying the sponsor will ensure the above requirements.
- D. The guest tattooer sponsor shall be responsible for the acts or omissions of the guest tattooer in the performance of tattooing or permanent cosmetic tattooing.

18VAC41-50-100. School license.

- A. Any individual firm wishing to operate a tattooing school or permanent cosmetic tattooing school shall obtain a school license in compliance with § 54.1-704.2 of the Code of Virginia- and shall meet the following qualifications in order to receive a license:
 - 1. The applicant and all members of the responsible management shall be in good standing as a licensed shop or salon in Virginia and all other jurisdictions where licensed. The applicant and all members of the responsible management shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions in connection with the applicant's operation of any tattoo parlor, limited term tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon or practice of the profession. This includes monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender of a license in

connection with a disciplinary action, or voluntary termination of a license. The applicant shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure if the applicant or any member of the responsible management has been previously licensed in Virginia as a tattoo parlor, limited term tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon.

Upon review of the applicant's and all members of the responsible management's prior disciplinary action, the board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant wherein it deems the applicant is unfit or unsuited to engage in the operation of a tattoo parlor, limited term tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon. The board will decide each case by taking into account the totality of the circumstances. Any plea of nolo contendere or comparable plea shall be considered a disciplinary action for the purposes of this section. The applicant shall provide a certified copy of a final order, decree, or case decision by a court, regulatory agency, or board with the lawful authority to issue such order, decree, or case decision, and such copy shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such disciplinary action.

- 2. The applicant shall disclose his physical address. A post office box is not acceptable.
- 3. The applicant shall sign, as part of the application, a statement certifying that the applicant has read and understands the Virginia tattooing license laws and this chapter.
- 4. In accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia, each applicant shall disclose the following information about the firm and all members of the responsible management regarding criminal convictions in Virginia and all other jurisdictions:
 - a. All misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within two years of the date of the application; and
 - b. All felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application.

Any plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for purposes of this subsection. The record of a conviction received from a court shall be accepted as prima facie evidence of a conviction or finding of guilt. The board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant in accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia.

- The applicant shall disclose the firm's responsible management.
- B. A tattooing school license or permanent cosmetic tattooing school license shall not be transferable and shall bear the same name and address as the school. Any changes in the name or address of the school shall be reported to the board in writing within 30 days of such change. The name of the school must indicate that it is an educational institution. All signs or other advertisements must reflect the name as indicated on the license issued by the board and contain language indicating it is an educational institution.
- C. In the event of a change of ownership of a school, the new owners shall be responsible for reporting such changes in writing to the board <u>applying for a new license</u> within 30 days of the changes. Whenever the legal business entity holding the license is dissolved or altered to form a new business entity, the original license becomes void and shall be returned to the board within 30 days of the change. Additionally, the firm shall apply for a new license, within 30 days of the change in the business entity. Such changes include [but are not limited to]:
 - 1. Death of a sole proprietor;
 - 2. Death or withdrawal of a general partner in a general partnership or the managing partner in a limited partnership; and
 - 3. Conversion, formation, or dissolution of a corporation, a limited liability company, an association, or any other business entity recognized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

- D. In the event of a school closing, the board must be notified by the owners in writing within 30 days of the closing, and the license must be returned. Within 30 days of the closing, the school shall return the license to the Board and provide a written report to the board on performances and hours of each of its students who has not completed the program.
- E. Any change in the officers of a corporation, managers of a limited liability company, or officers or directors of an association shall be reported to the board in writing within 30 days of the change.

18VAC41-50-110. Tattooing instructor certificate.

- A. Upon filing an application with the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology, any person meeting the qualifications set forth in this section shall be eligible for a tattooing instructor certificate if the person:
 - 1. Holds a current Virginia tattooer license;-and
 - 2. Provides documentation of three years of work experience within the past legally tattooing for at least five years-; and
 - 3. Pass a course on teaching techniques in a post-secondary education level.
 - B. Tattooing instructors shall be required to maintain a tattooer license.

18VAC41-50-120. Permanent cosmetic tattooing instructor certificate.

- A. Upon filing an application with the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology, any person meeting the qualifications set forth in this section shall be eligible for a permanent cosmetic tattooing instructor certificate if the person:
 - 1. Holds a current Virginia permanent cosmetic tattooer license or master permanent cosmetic tattooer license; and
 - 2. Provides documentation of of three years of work experience within the past legally tattooing for at least five years...; and
 - 3. Pass a course on teaching techniques at the post-secondary education level.
- B. Permanent cosmetic tattooing instructors shall be required to maintain a permanent cosmetic tattooer license or master permanent cosmetic tattooer license.

Part III Fees

18VAC41-50-130, Fees.

The following fees apply:

FEE TYPE	AMOUNT DUE September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2018	AMOUNT DUE September 1, 2018, and after	WHEN DUE
Individuals:			
Application	\$75	\$105	With application
License by Endorsement	\$75	\$105	With application
Renewal	\$75	\$105	With renewal card prior to expiration date

Reinstatement	\$150* *includes \$75 renewal fee and \$75 reinstatement fee	\$210* *includes \$105 renewal fee and \$105 reinstatement fee	With reinstatement application	
Instructors:				
Application	\$100	\$125	With application	
License by Endorsement	\$100	\$125	With application	
Renewal	\$100	\$150	With renewal card prior to expiration date	
Reinstatement	\$200* *includes \$100 renewal fee and \$100 reinstatement fee	\$300* *includes \$150 renewal fee and \$150 reinstatement fee	With reinstatement application	
Parlors or salons:				
Application	\$130	\$190	With application	
Renewal	\$130	\$190	With renewal card prior to expiration date	
Reinstatement	\$260* *includes \$130 renewal fee and \$130 reinstatement fee	\$380* *includes \$190 renewal fee and \$190 reinstatement fee	With reinstatement application	
Schools:				
Application	\$140	\$220	With application	
Renewal	\$140	\$220	With renewal card prior to expiration date	
Reinstatement	\$280* *includes \$140 renewal fee and \$140 reinstatement fee	\$440* *includes \$220 renewal fee and \$220 reinstatement fee	With reinstatement application	

18VAC41-50-140. Refunds.

All fees are nonrefundable and shall not be prorated.

Part IV Renewal/Reinstatement

18VAC41-50-150. License renewal required.

- <u>1. All tattooer Tattooer</u> licenses, tattoo parlor licenses, tattooing instructors licenses, tattooing schools licenses, permanent cosmetic tattooer licenses, master permanent cosmetic tattooer licenses, permanent cosmetic tattoo salon licenses, and permanent cosmetic tattooing schools licenses shall expire two years from the last day of the month in which they were issued.
- 2. Guest tattooer licenses will expire fourteen days after the effective date of the license and may not be renewed.

18VAC41-50-160. Continuing education requirement.

All licensed tattooers, permanent cosmetic tattooers, and master permanent cosmetic tattooers shall be required to satisfactorily complete a minimum of five hours of health education to include but not limited to bloodborne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to tattooing, first aid and CPR during their licensed term. Documentation of training completion shall be provided at the time of renewal along with the required fee.

18VAC41-50-170. Notice of renewal.

The Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation will mail a renewal notice to the licensee outlining the procedures for renewal. Failure to receive this notice, however, shall not relieve the licensee of the obligation to renew. If the licensee fails to receive the renewal notice, a copy of the old license may be submitted as evidence of intent to renew, along with the required fee

18VAC41-50-180. Failure to renew.

- A. When a tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer licensed or certified individual or business entity fails to renew his its license within 30 days following its expiration date, the licensee shall meet the renewal requirements and apply for reinstatement of the license by submitting to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation a reinstatement application along with the required renewal and reinstatement fees.
- B. When a tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer licensed or certified individual or business entity fails to renew his its license within two years following the expiration date, reinstatement is no longer possible. To resume practice, the former licensee shall apply for licensure as a new applicant, shall meet all current application requirements, shall pass the board's current examination and shall receive a new license.
- C. When a tattoo parlor or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon fails to renew its license within 30 days following the expiration date, it shall be required to apply for reinstatement of the license by submitting to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation a reinstatement application along with the required renewal and reinstatement fees.
- C. The application for reinstatement for a school shall provide (i) the reasons for failing to renew prior to the expiration date, and (ii) a notarized statement that all students currently enrolled or seeking to enroll at the school have been notified in writing that the school's license has expired. All of these materials shall be called the application package. Reinstatement will be considered by the board if the school consents to and satisfactorily passes an inspection of the school and if the school's records are maintained in accordance with 18VAC41-50-250 and 18VAC41-50-330, 18VAC41-50-380, and 18VAC41-50-390 by the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation. Pursuant to 18VAC41-50-230, 18VAC41-50-310, and 18VAC41-50-100, upon receipt of the reinstatement fee, application package, and inspection results, the board may reinstate the school's license or require requalification or both. If the reinstatement application package and reinstatement fee are not received by the board within six months following the expiration date of the school's license, the board will notify the testing service that prospective graduates of the

unlicensed school are not acceptable candidates for the examination. Such notification will be sent to the school and must be displayed in a conspicuous manner by the school in an area that is accessible to the public. No student shall be disqualified from taking the examination because the school was not licensed for a portion of the time the student attended if the school license is reinstated by the board.

- D. When a tattoo parlor or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon fails to renew its license within two years following the expiration date, reinstatement is no longer possible. To resume practice, the former licensee shall apply for licensure as a new applicant and shall meet all current application requirements.
- E. When a tattooing school or permanent cosmetic tattooing school fails to renew its license within 30 days following the expiration date, the licensee shall be required to apply for reinstatement of the license by submitting to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation a reinstatement application along with the required renewal and reinstatement fees.
- F. When a tattooing school or permanent cosmetic tattooing school fails to renew its license within two years following the expiration date, reinstatement is no longer possible. To resume practice, the former licensee shall apply for licensure as a new applicant and shall meet all current application requirements.
- G.D. The date a renewal fee is received by the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, or its agent, will be used to determine whether the requirement for reinstatement of a license is applicable and an additional fee is required.
- H.E. When a license is reinstated, the licensee shall have the same license number and shall be assigned an expiration date two years from the <u>previous expiration date of the license date of</u> the last day of the month of reinstatement.
- <u>H.F.</u> A licensee who that reinstates his license shall be regarded as having been continuously licensed without interruption. Therefore, a licensee shall be subject to the authority of the board for activities performed prior to reinstatement.
- J.G. A licensee who that fails to reinstate his-its license shall be regarded as unlicensed from the expiration date of the license forward. Nothing in this chapter shall divest the board of its authority to discipline a licensee for a violation of the law or regulations during the period of time for which the individual was licensed.

Part V Apprenticeship Programs

18VAC41-50-190. General requirements.

- A. Any person desiring to enroll in the tattooing apprenticeship program shall be required to provide documentation of satisfactory completion of a minimum of five hours of health education to include but not limited to bloodborne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to tattooing, and first aid and CPR.
- B. Any tattooer desiring approval to perform the duties of an apprenticeship sponsor and offer the board's tattooing apprenticeship program shall meet the requirements of 18VAC41-50-70.
- C. All apprenticeship training shall be conducted in a tattoo parlor that has met the requirements of 18VAC41-50-80.

18VAC41-50-200. Apprenticeship curriculum requirements.

Apprenticeship curriculum requirements are as follows:

- 1. Microbiology.
 - a. Microorganisms, viruses, bacteria, fungi;
 - b. Transmission cycle of infectious diseases; and

- c. Characteristics of antimicrobial agents.
- 2. Immunization.
 - a. Types of immunizations;
 - b. Hepatitis A—G transmission and immunization;
 - c. HIV/AIDS:
 - d. Tetanus, streptococcal, zoonotic, tuberculosis, pneumococcal, and influenza;
 - e. Measles, mumps, and rubella;
 - f. Vaccines and immunization; and
 - g. General preventative measures to be taken to protect the tattooer and client.
- 3. Sanitation and disinfection.
 - a. Definition of terms.
 - (1) Sterilization;
 - (2) Disinfection and disinfectant;
 - (3) Sterilizer or sterilant;
 - (4) Antiseptic;
 - (5) Germicide:
 - (6) Decontamination; and
 - (7) Sanitation.
 - b. The use of steam sterilization equipment and techniques;
 - c. The use of chemical agents, antiseptics, disinfectants, and fumigants;
 - d. The use of sanitation equipment;
 - e. Preservice sanitation procedure; and
 - f. Post-service sanitation procedure.
- 4. Safety.
 - a. Proper needle handling and disposal;
 - b. How to avoid overexposure to chemicals;
 - c. The use of Material Safety Data Sheets;
 - d. Blood spill procedures;
 - e. Equipment and instrument storage; and
 - f. First aid and CPR.
- 5. Bloodborne pathogen standards.
 - a. OSHA and CDC bloodborne pathogen standards;
 - b. Control plan for bloodborne pathogens;
 - c. Exposure control plan for tattooers;
 - d. Overview of compliance requirements; and
 - e. Disorders and when not to service a client.
- 6. Professional standards.
 - a. History of tattooing;
 - b. Ethics;
 - c. Recordkeeping:
 - (1) Client health history;

- (2) Consent forms; and
- (3) HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 Privacy Rule) Standards.
- d. Preparing station, making appointments, parlor ethics:
- (1) Maintaining professional appearance, notifying clients of schedule changes; and
- (2) Promoting services of the parlor and establishing clientele.
- e. Parlor management:
- (1) Licensing requirements; and
- (2) Taxes.
- f. Supplies:
- (1) Usages;
- (2) Ordering; and
- (3) Storage.
- 7. Tattooing.
 - a. Client consultation;
 - b. Client health form;
 - c. Client disclosure form;
 - d. Client preparation;
 - e. Sanitation and safety precautions;
 - f. Implement selection and use;
 - g. Proper use of equipment; and
 - h. Material selection and use;
 - i. Needles;
 - j. Ink;
 - k. Machine:
 - (1) Construction;
 - (2) Adjustment; and
 - (3) Power supply;
 - I. Art, drawing; and
 - m. Portfolio.
- 8. Anatomy:
 - a. Understanding of skin; and
 - b. Parts and functions of skin.
- 9. Virginia tattooing laws and regulations.

18VAC41-50-210. Hours of instruction and performances

- A. Curriculum requirements specified in 18VAC41-50-200 shall be taught over a minimum of 1500 hours as follows:
 - 1. 350 hours shall be devoted to theory pertaining to subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 9 of 18VAC41-50-200;
 - 2. 150 hours shall be devoted to theory pertaining to subdivision 3 of 18VAC41-50-200; and

- 3. The remaining 1000 hours shall be devoted to practical training to include but not limited to apprenticeship curriculum requirements and a total minimum of 100 performances pertaining to subdivision 7 of 18VAC41-50-200.
- B. An approved tattooing apprenticeship program may conduct an assessment of an apprentice's competence in the theory and practical requirements for tattooing and, based on the assessment, give a maximum of 700 hours of credit towards the requirements in subdivisions A 1 and A 3 of this section. No credit shall be allowed for the 150 hours required in subdivision A 2 of this section.

Part VI Tattooing Schools

18VAC41-50-220. Applicants for tattooing school license.

Any person or entity desiring to operate a tattooing school shall submit an application to the board at least 60 days prior to the date for which approval is sought.

18VAC41-50-230. General requirements.

A tattooing school shall:

- 1. Hold a tattooing school license for each and every location.
- 2. Hold a tattoo parlor license if the school receives compensation for services provided in the area where practical instruction is conducted and services are provided.
- 3. Employ a staff of certified tattooing instructors.
- 4. Develop individuals for entry-level competency in tattooing.
- 5. Submit its curricula for board approval. All changes to curricula must be resubmitted and approved by the board.
- 6. Inform the public that all services are performed by students if the tattooing school receives compensation for services provided in its clinic by posting a notice in the reception area of the shop or salon in plain view of the public.
- 7. Conduct classroom instruction in an area separate from the area where practical instruction is conducted and services are provided.
- 8. Conduct all instruction and training of tattooers under the direct supervision of a certified tattooing instructor.

18VAC41-50-240. School identification. (Repealed.)

Each tattooing school approved by the board shall identify itself to the public as a teaching institution.

18VAC41-50-250. Records.

- A. Schools are required to keep upon graduation, termination or withdrawal, written records of hours and performances showing what instruction a student has received for a period of five years after the student terminates or completes the curriculum of the school. These records shall be available for inspection by the department. All records must be kept on the premises of each school.
- B. For a period of five years after a student completes the curriculum, terminates or withdraws from the school, schools are required to provide documentation of hours and performances completed by a student upon receipt of a written request from the student.
- C. Schools shall, within 21 days upon receipt of a written request from a student, provide documentation of hours and performances completed by the student as required to be maintained by subsection A of this section.
- C.D. Prior to a school changing ownership or a school closing, the schools are required to provide to current students documentation of hours and performances completed.

D.E. For a period of one year after a school changes ownership, schools are required to provide documentation of hours and performances completed by a current student upon receipt of a written request from the student.

18VAC41-50-260. Hours reported. (Repealed.)

Within 30 days of the closing of a licensed tattooing school for any reason, the school shall provide a written report to the board on performances and hours of each of its students who has not completed the program.

18VAC41-50-270. Health education. (Repealed.)

Any person desiring to enroll in the tattooing school shall be required to provide documentation of satisfactory completion of a minimum of five hours of health education to include but not limited to blood-borne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to tattooing, and first aid and CPR.

18VAC41-50-280. Tattooing school curriculum requirements.

- A. Any person desiring to enroll in the tattooing school shall be required to provide documentation of satisfactory completion of a minimum of five hours of health education to include but not limited to bloodborne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to tattooing, and first aid and CPR.
 - B. Tattooing school curriculum requirements are as follows:
 - 1. Microbiology.
 - a. Microorganisms, viruses, bacteria, fungus;
 - b. Transmission cycle of infectious diseases; and
 - c. Characteristics of antimicrobial agents.
 - 2. Immunization.
 - a. Types of immunizations;
 - b. Hepatitis A—G transmission and immunization;
 - c. HIV/AIDS;
 - d. Tetanus, streptococcal, zoonotic, tuberculosis, pneumococcal, and influenza;
 - e. Measles, mumps, and rubella;
 - f. Vaccines and immunization; and
 - g. General preventative measures to be taken to protect the tattooer and client.
 - Sanitation and disinfection.
 - a. Definition of terms:
 - (1) Sterilization;
 - (2) Disinfection and disinfectant;
 - (3) Sterilizer or sterilant;
 - (4) Antiseptic;
 - (5) Germicide;
 - (6) Decontamination; and
 - (7) Sanitation.
 - b. The use of steam sterilization equipment and techniques;
 - c. The use of chemical agents, antiseptics, disinfectants, and fumigants;
 - d. The use of sanitation equipment;
 - e. Preservice sanitation procedure; and

- f. Postservice sanitation procedure.
- 4. Safety.
 - a. Proper needle handling and disposal;
 - b. How to avoid overexposure to chemicals;
 - c. The use of Material Safety Data Sheets;
 - d. Blood spill procedures;
 - e. Equipment and instrument storage; and
 - f. First aid and CPR.
- 5. Blood borne Bloodborne pathogen standards.
 - a. OSHA and CDC blood borne bloodborne pathogen standards;
 - b. Control plan for blood-borne bloodborne pathogens;
 - c. Exposure control plan for tattooers;
 - d. Overview of compliance requirements; and
 - e. Disorders and when not to service a client.
- 6. Professional standards.
 - a. History of tattooing;
 - b. Ethics:
 - c. Recordkeeping:
 - (1) Client health history;
 - (2) Consent forms; and
 - (3) HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 Privacy Rule) Standards.
 - d. Preparing station, making appointments, parlor ethics:
 - (1) Maintaining professional appearance, notifying clients of schedule changes; and
 - (2) Promoting services of the parlor and establishing clientele.
 - e. Parlor management.
 - (1) Licensing requirements; and
 - (2) Taxes.
 - f. Supplies.
 - (1) Usages;
 - (2) Ordering; and
 - (3) Storage.
- 7. Tattooing.
 - a. Client consultation:
 - b. Client health form;
 - c. Client disclosure form;
 - d. Client preparation;
 - e. Sanitation and safety precautions;
 - f. Implement selection and use;
 - g. Proper use of equipment;
 - h. Material selection and use;

- i. Needles (groupings, properties, making);
- j. lnk;
- k. Machine:
- (1) Construction;
- (2) Adjustment; and
- (3) Power supply;
- I. Art, drawing; and
- m. Portfolio.
- 8. Anatomy.
 - a. Understanding of skin; and
 - b. Parts and functions of skin.
- 9. Virginia tattooing laws and regulations.
- C. A licensed tattoo school may conduct an assessment of a student's competence in the respective profession and, based on the assessment, give credit towards the hours requirements specified in this section and 18VAC41-50-290.

The school shall make the assessment based on a review of the student's transcript and the successful completion of a board-approved competency examination administered by the school. The school may also request a copy of a catalog or bulletin giving the full course description when making the evaluation. The number of credit hours awarded shall not exceed the actual hours of instruction verified on the transcript or the number of hours specified in the board-approved curriculum for a specific topic. Credit may only be given for in-person training.

18VAC41-50-290. Hours of instruction and performances.

- A. Curriculum requirements specified in 18VAC41-50-280 shall be taught over a minimum of 7501.000 hours as follows:
 - 1. 350 hours shall be devoted to theory pertaining to subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9 of 18VAC41-50-280:
 - 2. 150 hours shall be devoted to theory pertaining to subdivision 3 of 18VAC41-50-280; and
 - 3. The remaining 250500 hours shall be devoted to practical training to include but not limited to tattooing curriculum requirements and a total minimum of 100 performances pertaining to subdivision 7 of 18VAC41-50-280.
- B. An approved tattooing school may conduct an assessment of a student's competence in the theory and practical requirements for tattooing and, based on the assessment, give a maximum of 350700 hours of credit towards the requirements in subdivisions A 1 and A 3 of this section. No credit shall be allowed for the 150 hours required in subdivision A 2 of this section.

Part VII
Permanent Cosmetic Tattooing Schools

18VAC41-50-300. Applicants for permanent cosmetic tattooing school license.

Any person or entity desiring to operate a permanent cosmetic tattooing school shall submit an application to the board at least 60 days prior to the date for which approval is sought.

18VAC41-50-310. General requirements.

A permanent cosmetic tattooing school shall:

- 1. Hold a permanent cosmetic tattooing school license for each and every location.
- 2. Hold a permanent cosmetic tattoo salon license if the school receives compensation for services provided in the area where practical instruction is conducted and services are provided.
- 3. Employ a staff of certified permanent cosmetic tattooing instructors or certified master permanent cosmetic tattooing instructors.
- 4. Develop individuals for entry-level competency in permanent cosmetic tattooing or master permanent cosmetic tattooing.
- 5. Submit its curricula for board approval.
- 6. Inform the public that all services are performed by students if the permanent cosmetic tattooing school receives compensation for services provided in its clinic by posting a notice in the reception area of the shop or salon in plain view of the public.
- 7. Conduct classroom instruction in an area separate from the area where practical instruction is conducted and services are provided.
- 8. Conduct all instruction and training of permanent cosmetic tattooers under the direct supervision of a certified permanent cosmetic tattooing <u>instructor</u> or <u>certified master</u> permanent cosmetic tattooing instructor. Conduct all instruction and training of master permanent cosmetic tattooers under the direct supervision of a certified master permanent cosmetic tattooing instructor.

18VAC41-50-320. School identification. (Repealed.)

Each permanent cosmetic tattooing school approved by the board shall identify itself to the public as a teaching institution.

18VAC41-50-330. Records.

- A. Schools are required to keep upon graduation, termination or withdrawal, written records of hours and performances showing what instruction a student has received for a period of five years after the student terminates or completes the curriculum of the school. These records shall be available for inspection by the department. All records must be kept on the premises of each school.
- B. For a period of five years after a student completes the curriculum, terminates or withdraws from the school, schools are required to provide documentation of hours and performances completed by a student upon receipt of a written request from the student.
- C. Prior to a school changing ownership or a school closing, schools are required to provide to current students documentation of hours and performances completed.
- D. For a period of one year after a school changes ownership, schools are required to provide documentation of hours and performances completed by a current student upon receipt of a written request from the student.

18VAC41-50-340. Hours reported. (Repealed.)

Within 30 days of the closing of a licensed permanent cosmetic tattooing school for any reason, the school shall provide a written report to the board on performances and hours of each of its students who have not completed the program.

18VAC41-50-350. Health education. (Repealed.)

Any person desiring to enroll in the permanent cosmetic tattooing school shall be required to provide documentation of satisfactory completion of health education on blood-borne disease.

18VAC41-50-360. Permanent cosmetic tattooing school curriculum requirements.

- A. Any person desiring to enroll in the permanent cosmetic tattooing school shall be required to provide documentation of satisfactory completion of health education on bloodborne disease.
 - B. Permanent cosmetic tattooing school curriculum requirements are as follows:
 - 1. Virginia tattooing laws and regulations.
 - 2. Machines and devices.
 - a. Coil machine:
 - b. Hand device: and
 - c. Others devices.
 - 3. Needles.
 - a. Types;
 - b. Uses; and
 - c. Application.
 - 4. Anatomy.
 - a. Layers of skin;
 - b. Parts and functions of skin; and
 - c. Diseases.
 - 5. Color theory.
 - a. Skin and pigment color; and
 - b. Handling and storage of pigments.
 - 6. Transmission cycle of infectious diseases.
 - 7. Immunization.
 - a. Types of immunizations; and
 - b. General preventative measures to be taken to protect the tattooer and client.
 - 8. Sanitation and disinfection.
 - a. Definition of terms:
 - (1) Sterilization:
 - (2) Disinfection and disinfectant;
 - (3) Sterilizer or sterilant;
 - (4) Antiseptic;
 - (5) Germicide;
 - (6) Decontamination; and
 - (7) Sanitation.
 - b. The use of steam sterilization equipment and techniques;
 - c. The use of chemical agents, antiseptics, and disinfectants;
 - d. The use of sanitation equipment;
 - e. Preservice sanitation procedure; and
 - f. Postservice sanitation procedure.
 - 9. Safety.
 - a. Proper needle handling and disposal;
 - b. Blood spill procedures;

- c. Equipment and instrument storage; and
- d. First aid.
- 10. Blood-borne Bloodborne pathogen standards.
 - a. OSHA and CDC blood-borne bloodborne pathogen standards;
 - b. Overview of compliance requirements; and
 - c. Disorders and when not to service a client.
- 11. Anesthetics.
 - a. Use;
 - b. Types;
 - c. Application; and
 - d. Removal.
- 12. Equipment.
 - a. Gloves:
 - b. Masks;
 - c. Apron;
 - d. Chair;
 - e. Lighting; and
 - f. Work table.
- 13. Professional standards.
 - a. History of permanent cosmetic tattooing;
 - b. Ethics;
 - c. Recordkeeping:
 - (1) Client health history; and
 - (2) Consent forms.
 - d. Preparing station, making appointments, salon ethics:
 - (1) Maintaining professional appearance, notifying clients of schedule changes; and
 - (2) Promoting services of the salon and establishing clientele.
 - e. Salon management:
 - (1) Licensing requirements; and
 - (2) Taxes.
- 14. Permanent cosmetic tattooing.
 - a. Client consultation;
 - b. Client health form:
 - c. Client disclosure form;
 - d. Client preparation;
 - e. Drawing and mapping;
 - e.f. Sanitation and safety precautions;
 - f.-g. Implement selection and use;
 - g.h. Proper use of equipment;
 - h.i. Material selection and use.
 - i.j. Eyebrows;

- k. Microblading;
- j.l. Eyeliner;
- k.m. Lip coloring; and
- I.n. Lip liners.
- C. Master permanent cosmetic tattooing program curriculum requirements are as follows:
 - 1. Virginia tattooing laws and regulations.
 - 2. Machines and devices.
 - a. Coil machine;
 - b. Hand device; and
 - c. Others devices.
 - 3. Needles.
 - a. Types;
 - b. Uses; and
 - c. Application.
 - 4. Advanced Practical Clinical Anatomy.
 - a. Eyelid Anatomy
 - b. Lip Anatomy
 - c. Breast Anatomy
 - Advanced Color theory.
 - 6. Organic and Inorganic Pigment
 - 7. Understanding the Surgical Process.
 - a. The Latissimus Dorsi Flap Procedure
 - b. Abdominoplasty and Breast Reconstruction
 - c. Other Reconstruction Procedures
 - i. Deep Inferior Epigastric Artery Perforator Flap (DIEP)
 - ii. Superior Gluteal Artery Perforator Flap (SGAP)
 - d. Flap size vs. Areola size
 - e. Implant Reconstruction
 - i. Tissue Expansion
 - ii. Placing the Implant
 - iii. Implant vs. Flap Reconstruction
 - iv. Saline vs. Silicone
 - v. Radiation Therapy
 - vi. Lyphedema
 - 8. Client Consultation
 - 9. Breast Areolar Pigmentation
 - a. Chart Notes
 - b. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)
 - c. Room Setup
 - d. Anesthetic for Breast Procedures
 - e. Color selection
 - Needle Selection

- g. Design and Placement
 - a. Position of the Areola/ Nipple Complex
 - b. The Penn Triangle
 - c. Diameter of the Areola
 - d. Nipple Reconstruction
- h. Creating 3-dimensional Nipple/Areola
 - a. Understanding and creating a reflection of light
 - b. The Value of Color
- i. Covering scar tissue and Periareolar scar blending
- j. Aftercare
 - a. Tegraderm Aftercare Instructions
 - b. Follow up
- k. Precautions and Contraindications
- 10. Skin Cancer.
 - a. Basal Cell Carcinomas
 - b. Squamous Cell Carcinomas
 - c. Melanoma
- 11. The Art of Camouflage
 - a. Client/Patient Selection and Handling
 - b. Contraindications and When Not to Perform Services
 - c. Skin Tones
 - d. Color Selection and Skin Tone Matching
 - e. Scars
 - f. Burn Scar
 - g. Common Needle Configurations Used for Camouflage
- 12. Side Effects
- 13. Insurance
- 14. Master Permanent Cosmetic Tattooing Procedures
 - a. Lip
 - b. Areola
 - c. Scalp
 - d. Blush
 - e. Camouflage
 - f. Eyeshadow
- D. A licensed school with an approved permanent cosmetic tattooing or master permanent cosmetic tattooing program may conduct an assessment of a student's competence in the respective profession and, based on the assessment, give credit towards the hours requirements specified in the respective subsection of this section and 18VAC41-50-370.

The school shall make the assessment based on a review of the student's transcript and the successful completion of a board-approved competency examination administered by the school. The school may also request a copy of a catalog or bulletin giving the full course description when making the evaluation. The number of credit hours awarded shall not exceed

the actual hours of instruction verified on the transcript or diplima or the number of hours specified in the board-approved curriculum for a specific topic. Credit may only be given for in-person training.

18VAC41-50-370. Hours of instruction and performances.

- A. Curriculum and performance requirements specified in 18VAC41-50-360 <u>and this section</u> shall be taught over a minimum of 90 200 clock <u>hours for permanent cosmetic tattooing and 200 clock hours for master permanent cosmetic tattooing.</u>
- B. A minimum of 50 performances shall be completed as part of the <u>required_permanent</u> <u>cosmetic tattooing_instruction, including two eyebrow, two microblading procedures, two lip liners, one lip color, and one full lips.</u>
- C. A minimum of 70 performances shall be completed as part of the master permanent cosmetic tattooing instruction, including:

Lip (cleft lip repigmentation)	10
<u>Areola</u>	10
Scalp Repigmentation	10
Blush Application	10
Camouflage	10
Scar Repigmentation	10
Eyeshadow	10

- D. Completion of performances are determined as follows:
 - 1. Two complete eyebrows constitutes one performance:
 - 2. Two complete eye liners constitutes one performance; and
 - 3. One complete lip liner constitutes one performance.

Part VIII Standards of Practice

18VAC41-50-380. Display of license.

- A. Each tattoo parlor owner or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon owner shall ensure that all current licenses issued by the board shall be displayed in the reception area of the parlor or salon or at the artists station or in plain view of the public. Duplicate licenses shall be posted in a like manner in every parlor or salon or location where the licensee provides services.
- B. Each parlor owner or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon owner shall ensure that no licensee, apprentice, or student performs any service beyond the scope of practice for the applicable license.
- C. Each tattoo parlor owner or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon owner shall offer to licensees the full series of Hepatitis B vaccine.
- D. Each tattoo parlor owner or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon owner shall maintain a record for each licensee of one of the following:

- 1. Proof of completion of the full series of Hepatitis B vaccine;
- 2. Proof of immunity by blood titer; or
- Written declaration of refusal of the owner's offer of a full series of Hepatitis B vaccine.
- E. All licensees shall operate under the name in which the license is issued.

18VAC41-50-390. Physical facilities.

- A. A parlor or salon must be in a permanent building or portion of a building, which must be in a location permissible under local zoning codes, if any. If applicable, the parlor or salon shall be separated from any living quarters by complete floor to ceiling partitioning and shall contain no access to living quarters.
 - B. The parlor, salon or temporary location shall be maintained in a clean and orderly manner.
 - C. All facilities shall have a blood spill clean-up kit in the work area.
- D. Work surfaces shall be cleaned with an EPA registered, hospital grade disinfectant. Surfaces that come in contact with blood or other body fluids shall be immediately disinfected with an EPA registered germicide solution. Appropriate personal protective equipment shall be worn during cleaning and disinfecting procedures.
- E. Cabinets for the storage of instruments, dyes, pigments, single-use articles, carbon stencils and other utensils shall be provided for each operator and shall be maintained in a sanitary manner.
- F. Bulk single-use articles shall be commercially packaged and handled in such a way as to protect them from contamination.
- G. All materials applied to the human skin shall be from single-use articles or transferred from bulk containers to single-use containers and shall be disposed of after each use.
- H. The walls, ceilings, and floors shall be kept in good repair. The tattooing area shall be constructed of smooth, hard surfaces that are nonporous, free of open holes or cracks, light colored, and easily cleaned. New parlors shall not include any dark-colored surfaces in the tattooing area. Existing parlors or salons with dark-colored surfaces in the tattooing area shall replace the dark-colored surfaces with light-colored surfaces whenever the facilities are extensively remodeled or upon relocation of the business.
- I. Parlors, salons or temporary locations shall have adequate lighting of at least 50-foot candles of illumination in the tattooing and sterilization areas.
 - J. Adequate mechanical ventilation shall be provided in the parlor.
- K. Each parlor, salon or temporary location shall be equipped with hand-cleaning facilities for its personnel with unobstructed access to the tattooing area such that the tattooer can return to the area without having to touch anything with his hands. Hand-cleaning facilities shall be equipped either with hot and cold or tempered running water under pressure and liquid germicidal soap or with a sanitizing solution to clean hands. Hand-cleaning facilities shall be equipped with single-use towels or mechanical hand drying devices and a covered refuse container. Such facilities shall be kept clean and in good repair. All facilities must have running water and soap accessible for cleaning of hands contaminated by body fluids.
- L. Animals are not permitted in the parlor, salon, or temporary location except for guide or service animals accompanying persons with disabilities, or nonmammalian animals in enclosed glass containers such as fish aquariums, which shall be outside of the tattooing or sterilization areas. No animals are allowed in the tattooing or sterilization areas.
- M. Use of tobacco products and consumption of alcoholic beverages shall be prohibited in the tattooing or sterilization areas.

- N. No food or drink will be stored or consumed in the tattooing or sterilization areas except for client's use in order to sustain optimal physical condition; such food and drink must be individually packaged.
- O. If tattooing is performed where cosmetology services are provided, it shall be performed in an area that is separate and enclosed.
 - P. All steam sterilizers shall be biological spore tested at least monthly.
 - Q. Biological spore tests shall be verified through an independent laboratory.
- R. Biological spore test records shall be retained for a period of three years and made available upon request.
 - S. Steam sterilizers shall be used only for instruments used by the parlor's employees.

18VAC41-50-400. Tattooer or permanent cosmetic tattooer or master permanent cosmetic tattooer responsibilities.

- A. All tattooers shall provide to the ewner responsible management one of the following:
 - 1. Proof of completion of the full series of Hepatitis B vaccine;
 - 2. Proof of immunity by blood titer; or
 - 3. Written declaration of refusal of the owner's offer of a full series of Hepatitis B vaccine.
- B. All tattooers shall wear clean outer garments, maintain a high degree of personal cleanliness, and conform to hygienic practices while on duty.
- C. All tattooers shall clean their hands thoroughly using hot or tempered water with a liquid germicidal soap or use sanitizing solution to clean hands before and after tattooing and as necessary to remove contaminants.
- D. All tattooers must wear single-use examination gloves while assembling tattooing instruments and while tattooing.
- E. Each time there is an interruption in the service, each time the gloves become torn or perforated, or whenever the ability of the gloves to function as a barrier is compromised:
 - 1. Gloves shall be removed and disposed of; and
 - 2. Hands shall be cleaned and a fresh pair of gloves used.
- F. Tattooers shall use standard precautions while tattooing. A tattooer diagnosed with a communicable disease shall provide to the department a written statement from a health care practitioner that the tattooer's condition no longer poses a threat to public health.
- G. Tattooers with draining lesions on their hands or face will not be permitted to work until cleared by a health-care professional.
- H. The area of the client's skin to be tattooed shall be cleaned with an approved germicidal soap according to label directions.
- I. Tattooing inks and dyes <u>pigments</u> shall be placed in a single-use disposable container for each client. Following the procedure, the unused contents and container will be properly disposed of.
- J. If shaving is required, razors shall be single-use. After use, razors shall be recapped and properly disposed of in a puncture resistant container.
- K. Each tattooer performing any tattooing procedures in the parlor or salon shall have the education training and experience, or any combination thereof, to practice aseptic technique and prevent the transmission of bloodborne pathogens. All procedures shall be performed using aseptic technique.

- L. <u>Multiuse Instruments, equipment, furniture, and surfaces that may be contaminated during the tattooing process should be covered or wrapped in a non-porous disposable barrier. This barrier should be removed and disposed of after each service.</u>
- M. After the disposable barrier is removed, covered items should be wiped down with an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) registered disinfectant that is bactericidal, virucidal, and fungicidal.
- <u>L.N.</u> A set of individual, sterilized needles shall be used for each client. Single-use disposable instruments shall be disposed of in a puncture resistant container.
- M.O. Used, nondisposable instruments, such as stainless steel tubes, tips and grips, shall be kept in a separate, puncture resistant container until brush scrubbed in hot water soap and then sterilized by autoclaving. Contaminated instruments shall be handled with disposable gloves.
- N.P. Used <u>nondisposable</u> instruments that are ultrasonically cleaned shall be rinsed under running hot water prior to being placed in the used instrument container;
- O.Q. Used <u>nondisposable</u> instruments that are not ultrasonically cleaned prior to being placed in the used instrument container shall be kept in a germicidal or soap solution until brush scrubbed in hot water and soap and sterilized by autoclaving.
 - P.R. The ultrasonic unit shall be sanitized daily with a germicidal solution.
- Q.S. Nondisposable instruments shall be sterilized and shall be handled and stored in a manner to prevent contamination. Instruments to be sterilized shall be sealed in bags made specifically for the purpose of autoclave sterilization and shall include the date of sterilization. If nontransparent bags are utilized, the bag shall also list the contents.
- R.T. Autoclave sterilization bags with a color code indicator that changes color upon proper sterilization shall be utilized during the autoclave sterilization process.
- S.U. Nondisposable Instruments instruments shall be placed in the autoclave in a manner to allow live steam to circulate around them.
- W. A Sealed, puncture proof dirty tube receptical with cool, liquid sterilant should maintained in the biohazard or cleanup room.
 - X. Sharps containers should be located within reach of the tattooing area.
- T.Y. Contaminated disposable and single-use items shall be disposed of in accordance with federal and state regulations regarding disposal of biological hazardous materials.
 - U.Z. The manufacturer's written instructions of the autoclave shall be followed.

18VAC41-50-410. Client qualifications, disclosures, and records.

- A. Except as permitted in § 18.2-371.3 of the Code of Virginia, a client must be a minimum of 18 years of age and shall present at the time of the tattooing or permanent cosmetic tattooing a valid, government issued, positive identification card including, but not limited to, a driver's license, passport, or military identification. The identification must contain a photograph of the individual and a printed date of birth.
- B. The tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer shall verify and document in the permanent client record the client's age, date of birth, and the type of identification provided.
- C. No person may be tattooed or permanent cosmetic tattooed who appears to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- D. Tattooing or permanent cosmetic tattooing shall not be performed on any skin surface that manifests any evidence of unhealthy conditions such as rashes, boils, infections,—or abrasions—or on any assymetrical, irregular, blurred, or multi-colored mole.

- E. Before receiving a tattoo or permanent cosmetic tattoo, each client and client's parent or guardian, if applicable, shall be informed verbally and in writing, using the client disclosure form prescribed by the board, about the possible risk and dangers associated with the application of each tattoo. Signatures of both the client and the tattooer shall be required on the client disclosure form to acknowledge receipt of both the verbal and written disclosures.
- F. The tattoo parlor or temporary location or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon shall maintain proper records for each client. The information shall be permanently recorded and made available for examination by the department or authorized agent. Records shall be maintained at the tattoo parlor or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon for at least two years following the date of the last entry. The temporary location client records shall be maintained by the license holder. The permanent records shall include the following:
 - 1. The name, address, and telephone number of the client;
 - 2. The date tattooing or permanent cosmetic tattooing was performed;
 - 3. The client's age, date of birth, and a copy of the positive identification provided to the tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer;
 - 4. The specific color or colors of the tattoo or permanent cosmetic tattoo and, when available, the manufacturer's catalogue or identification number of each color used;
 - 5. The location on the body where the tattooing or permanent cosmetic tattooing was performed;
 - 6. The name of the tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer:
 - 7. A statement that the client has received a copy of applicable written care instructions, and that the client has read and understands the instructions; and
 - 8. The signature of the client and if applicable parent or guardian.

18VAC41-50-420. Grounds for license or certificate revocation, suspension or probation; denial of application, renewal or reinstatement; or imposition of a monetary penalty.

- A. The board may, in considering the totality of the circumstances, fine any licensee or certificate holder and suspend, place on probation or revoke or refuse to renew or reinstate any license or certificate, or deny any application issued under the provisions of Chapter 7 (§ 54.1-700 et seq.) of Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia and the regulations of the board this chapter if the board it finds that the licensee, certificate holder, or applicant:
 - 1. The licensee, certificate holder, or applicant is <u>ls</u> incompetent, negligent in practice, or incapable mentally or physically, as those terms are generally understood in the profession, to practice as a tattooer, <u>limited term tattooer</u>, tattooer apprentice, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer, or operate a parlor, permanent cosmetic tattooing salon, or school;
 - 2. The licensee, certificate holder, or applicant is <u>ls</u> convicted of fraud or deceit in the practice of tattooing or fails to teach the curriculum as provided for in this chapter;
 - 3. The licensee, certificate holder, or applicant obtained Obtained, attempted to obtain, renewed or reinstated a license by false or fraudulent representation;
 - 4. The licensee, certificate holder, or applicant violates <u>Violates</u> or induces others to violate, or cooperates with others in violating, any of the provisions of this chapter or Chapter 7 (§ 54.1-700 et seq.) of Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia or any local ordinance or regulation governing standards of health and sanitation of the establishment in which tattooers may practice or offer to practice;
 - 5. Offers, gives, or promises anything of value or benefit to any federal, state, or local employee for the purpose of influencing that employee to circumvent, in the performance

- of his duties, any federal, state, or local law, regulation, or ordinance governing tattooing as defined in § 54.1-700 of the Code of Virginia;
- 6. Fails to respond to the board or any of its agents or provides false, misleading, or incomplete information to an inquiry by the board or any of its agents;
- 7. Fails or refuses to allow the board or any of its agents to inspect during reasonable hours any licensed parlor, salon, or school for compliance with provisions of Chapter 7 (§ 54.1-700 et seq.) or this chapter;
- 5. The licensee, certificate holder, or applicant fails 8. Fails to produce, upon request or demand of the board or any of its agents, any document, book, record, or copy thereof in a licensee's or owner's possession or maintained in accordance with this chapter;
- 6. A licensee or certificate holder fails <u>9</u>. Fails to notify the board of a change of name or address in writing within 30 days of the change for each and every license. The board shall not be responsible for the licensee's or certificate holder's failure to receive notices, communications and correspondence caused by the licensees' or certificate holder's failure to promptly notify the board in writing of any change of name or address or for any other reason beyond the control of the board;
- 7. The licensee, certificate holder, or applicant 10. Makes any misrepresentation or publishes or causes to be published any advertisement that is false, deceptive, or misleading;
- 8. The licensee, certificate holder, or applicant fails 11. Fails to notify the board in writing within 30 days of the suspension, revocation, or surrender of a license or certificate in connection with a disciplinary action in any other jurisdiction or of any license or certificate that has been the subject of disciplinary action in any other jurisdiction; or
- 9. In accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia, the licensee or certificate holder has been convicted in any jurisdiction of a misdemeanor or felony that directly relates to the profession of tattooing. The board shall have the authority to determine, based upon all the information available, including the regulant's record of prior convictions, if the regulant is unfit or unsuited to engage in the profession of tattooing or permanent cosmetic tattooing. The board will decide each case by taking into account the totality of the circumstances. Any plea of nole contendere shall be considered a conviction for the purposes of this section. The applicant shall provide a certified copy of a final order, decree or case decision by a court or regulatory agency with the lawful authority to issue such order, decree or case decision, and such copy shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such conviction. This record shall be forwarded by the applicant to the board within 10 days after all appeal rights have expired.
- 12. Has been convicted or found guilty, regardless of the manner of adjudication in Virginia or any other jurisdiction of the United States, of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury or any felony, there being no appeal pending therefrom or the time for appeal having elapsed. Review of convictions shall be subject to the requirements of § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia. Any plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for purposes of this subdivision. The record of a conviction certified or authenticated in such form as to be admissible in evidence under the laws of the jurisdiction where convicted shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such conviction or guilt;
- 13. Fails to inform the board in writing within 30 days of pleading guilty or nolo contendere or being convicted or found guilty regardless of adjudication of any convictions as stated in subdivision 12 of this section;

- 14. Allows, as responsible management of a shop, salon, or school, a person who has not obtained a license, or guest tattooer license to practice as a tattooer or permanent cosmetic tattooer;
- 15. Allows, as responsible management of a school, a person who has not obtained an instructor certificate to practice as a tattooing or permanent cosmetic tattooing instructor;
- 16. Fails to take sufficient measures to prevent transmission of communicable or infectious diseases or fails to comply with sanitary requirements provided for in this chapter or any local, state, or federal law or regulation governing the standards of health and sanitation for the practice of tattooing, or the operation of tattoo parlors or permanent cosmetic tattooing salons; or
- 17. Fails to comply with all procedures established by the board and the testing service with regard to conduct at any board examination.
- B. In addition to subsection A of this section, the board may, in considering the totality of the circumstances, revoke, suspend, place on probation or refuse to renew or reinstate the license of any tattoo parlor, limited term tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon or impose a fine as permitted by law, or both, if the board finds that:
 - 1. The owner or operator of the tattoo parlor, limited term tattoo parlor, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salon fails to comply with the facility requirements of tattoo parlors, limited term tattoo parlors, or permanent cosmetic tattoo salons provided for in this chapter or in any local ordinances; or
 - 2. The owner or operator allows a person who has not obtained a license to practice as a tattooer, limited term tattooer, permanent cosmetic tattooer, or master permanent cosmetic tattooer unless the person is duly enrolled as an apprentice.
- C. In addition to subsection A of this section, the board may, in considering the totality of the circumstances, revoke, suspend, place on probation, or refuse to renew or reinstate the license of any school or impose a fine as permitted by law, or both, if the board finds that:
 - 1. An instructor of the approved school fails to teach the curriculum as provided for in this chapter;
 - 2. The owner or director of the approved school permits or allows a person to teach in the school without a current tattooing instructor certificate; or
 - 3. The instructor, owner or director is guilty of fraud or deceit in the teaching of tattooing.
- D. In addition to subsection A of this section, the board may, in considering the totality of the circumstances, revoke, suspend, place on probation, or refuse to renew or reinstate the license of any licensee or impose a fine as permitted by law, or both, if the board finds that the licensee fails to take sufficient measures to prevent transmission of communicable or infectious diseases or fails to comply with any local, state or federal law or regulation governing the standards of health and sanitation for the practice of tattooing.

FORMS (18VAC41-50)

Tattooer Examination & License Application, A425-1231EXLIC (eff. 9/2011)

Tattoo Training & Experience Verification Form, A425 12TATTREXP (eff. 9/2011)

Tattooing Apprenticeship Sponsor Application, A425-12TATSPON (eff. 9/2011)

Tattooer Apprenticeship Certification Application, A425-1234TAC (eff. 9/2011)

Tattoo Apprenticeship Completion Form, A425-12TAC (eff. 9/2011)

Tattoo Client Disclosure Form, A425-12DIS, A425-12TDIS (eff. 9/2011)

Limited Term Tattooer License Application, A450-1233LIC v8 (rev. 9/2016)

Limited Term Tattoo Parlor License Application, A450 1235LIC v5 (rev. 9/2016)

Permanent Cosmetic Tattooer Examination & License Application, A425-1236EXLIC (eff. 9/2011)

Master Permanent Cosmetic Tattooer Examination & License Application, A425-1237EXLIC (eff. 9/2011)

License by Endorsement Application, A450-1213END-v9 (rev. 9/2016)

Training & Experience Verification Form, A425-1213TREXP (eff. 9/2011)

Salon, Shop, Spa & Parlor License/Reinstatement Application, A450-1213BUS-v8 (rev. 9/2016)

Licensure Fee Notice, A450 1213FEE v6 (rev. 9/2016)

Instructor Certification Application, A450-1213INST-v7 (rev. 9/2016)

Individuals - Reinstatement Application, A450-1213REI-v8 (rev. 9/2016)

School License Application, A450-1213SCHL-v9 (rev. 9/2016)

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Individuals - Reinstatement Application, A450-1213REI-v9 (rev. 2/2017)

School License Application, A450-1213SCHL-v11 (rev. 2/2017)

School Reinstatement Application, A450-1213SCH-REIN-v5 (rev. 3/2017)

Convention Tattooer License Application, A450-1233COVLIC-v1 (eff. 7/2019)

Guest Tattooer License Application, A450-1233GLIC-v1 (eff. 7/2019)

CHAPTER 60
BODY-PIERCING REGULATIONS

Part I General

18VAC41-60-10. Definitions.

The following words and terms when used in this chapter shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise. All terms defined in Chapter 7 (§ 54.1-700 et seq.) of Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia are incorporated in this chapter.

"Apprenticeship program" means an approved body-piercing training program conducted by an approved apprenticeship sponsor.

"Apprenticeship sponsor" means an individual approved to conduct body-piercing apprenticeship training who meets the qualifications in 18VAC41-60-70.

"Aseptic technique" means a hygienic practice that prevents and hinders the direct transfer of microorganisms, regardless of pathogenicity, from one person or place to another person or place.

"Body piercer ear only" means any person who uses only a mechanized, presterilized earpiercing system that penetrates the outer perimeter or lobe of the ear or both for compensation.

"Body piercing ear only" means the use of a mechanized, presterilized ear-piercing system that penetrates the outer perimeter or lobe of the ear or both.

"Body-piercingBody piercing ear only salon" means any place in which a fee is charged for the act of using a mechanized, presterilized ear-piercing system that penetrates the outer perimeter or lobe of the ear or both.

"Business entity" means a sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other form of organization permitted by law.

"Endorsement" means a method of obtaining a license by a person who is currently licensed in another state.

"Firm" means any business entity recognized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

"Gratuitous services" as used in § 54.1-701.5 of the Code Virginia means providing bodypiercing services without receiving compensation or reward, or obligation. Gratuitous services do not include services provided at no charge when goods are purchased.

"Licensee" means any person, partnership, association, limited liability company, or eorporation sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other form of organization permitted by law holding a license issued by the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology.

"Reinstatement" means having a license restored to effectiveness after the expiration date has passed.

"Renewal" means continuing the effectiveness of a license for another period of time.

"Responsible management" means the following individuals:

- 1. The sole proprietor of a sole proprietorship;
- 2. The partners of a general partnership;
- 3. The managing partners of a limited partnership;
- 4. The officers of a corporation;
- 5. The managers of a limited liability company;
- 6. The officers or directors of an association or both; and
- 7. Individuals in other business entities recognized under the laws of the Commonwealth as having a fiduciary responsibility to the firm.

"Sole proprietor" means any individual, not a corporation, who is trading under his own name, or under an assumed or fictitious name pursuant to the provisions of §§ 59.1-69 through 59.1-76 of the Code of Virginia.

"Sterilization area" means a separate room or area separate from workstations with restricted client access in which body-piercing instruments are cleaned, disinfected, and sterilized.

"Temporary location" means a fixed location at which body piercing is performed for a specified length of time of not more than seven days in conjunction with a single event or celebration.

Part II Entry

18VAC41-60-20. General requirements.

A. In order to receive a license as a body piercer in compliance with § 54.1-703 of the Code of Virginia, an applicant must Any individual wishing to engage in body piercing shall obtain a license in compliance with § 54.1-703 of the Code of Virginia and meet the following qualifications:

1. The applicant shall be in good standing as a body piercer in every jurisdiction where licensed, certified, or registered. The applicant shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure any disciplinary action taken in another <u>Virginia or any other jurisdiction</u> in connection with the applicant's practice as a body piercer. <u>This includes but is not limited to monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender of a license in connection with a disciplinary action, or voluntary termination of a license.</u> The applicant shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure whether he has been previously licensed in Virginia as a body piercer.

Upon review of the applicant's prior disciplinary action, the board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant wherein the board deems the applicant is unfit or unsuited to engage in body-piercing and body-piercing ear only. The board will decide each case by taking into account the totality of the circumstances. Any plea of nolo contendere or comparable plea shall be considered a disciplinary action for the purposes of this section. The applicant shall provide a certified copy of a final order, decree, or case decision by a court, regulatory agency, or board with the lawful authority to issue such order, decree, or case decision, and such copy shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such disciplinary action.

- 2. The applicant shall disclose his physical address. A post office box is not acceptable.
- 3. The applicant shall sign, as part of the application, a statement certifying that the applicant has read and understands the Virginia body-piercing license laws and the board's body-piercing regulations this chapter.
- 4. In accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia, each applicant shall disclose a conviction, in any jurisdiction, of any misdemeanor or felony. Any plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for this purpose of this section. The record of a conviction certified or authenticated in such form as to be admissible in evidence under the laws of the jurisdiction where convicted shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such guilt. The board, at its discretion, may deny licensure or certification to any applicant in accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia. the following information regarding criminal convictions in Virginia and all other jurisdictions:
- a. All misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within two years of the date of the application; and
 - b. All felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application

Any plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for purposes of this subsection. The record of a conviction received from a court shall be accepted as prima facie evidence of a conviction or finding of guilt. The board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant in accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia.

- 5. The applicant shall provide evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has passed the board-approved examination, administered either by the board or by a designated testing service.
- 6. Persons who (i) make application between April 1, 2007, and March 31, 2008; (ii) have completed three years of documented work experience within the preceding five years as a body piercer; and (iii) have completed a minimum of five hours of health education

including but not limited to blood borne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to body piercing and first aid and CPR that is acceptable to the board are not required to complete subdivision 5 of this subsection.

- B. Eligibility to sit for board-approved body-piercer body piercer examination.
 - 1. Training in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Any person completing an approved body-piercing apprenticeship program in a Virginia licensed body-piercing salon shall be eligible to sit for the examination.
 - 2. Training outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia, but within the United States and its territories. Any person completing a body-piercing training or apprenticeship program that is substantially equivalent to the Virginia program but is outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia must submit to the board documentation of the successful completion of training or apprenticeship to be eligible for examination. If less than required hours of body-piercing body piercing training or body-piercing body piercing apprenticeship was completed, an applicant must submit (i) documentation acceptable to the board verifying the completion of a substantially equivalent body-piercing body piercing training or body-piercing body piercing apprenticeship or documentation of three years of work experience within the preceding five years as a body piercer and (ii) documentation of completion of a minimum of five hours of health education to include but not limited to blood borne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to body piercing and first aid and CPR that is acceptable to the board in order to be eligible for examination.
- C. In order to receive a license as a body piercer ear only, an applicant must meet the following qualifications:
 - 1. The applicant shall have completed a minimum of three hours of health education to include but not limited to blood borne disease and first aid that is acceptable to the board and provide verification of training on a mechanized, presterilized ear piercing ear piercing system that penetrates the outer perimeter or lobe of the ear or both and aftercare of piercing.
 - 2. The applicant shall be in good standing in every jurisdiction where licensed, certified, or registered. The applicant shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure any disciplinary action taken in another jurisdiction in connection with the applicant's licensed, certified, or registered practice. The applicant shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure whether he has been previously licensed in Virginia in any profession regulated by the board.
 - 3. The applicant shall disclose his physical address. A post office box is not acceptable.
 - 4. The applicant shall sign, as part of the application, a statement certifying that the applicant has read and understands the Virginia body-piercing license laws and the board's body-piercing regulations.
- 5. In accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia, each applicant shall disclose a conviction, in any jurisdiction, of any misdemeanor or felony. Any plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for this purpose of this section. The record of a conviction certified or authenticated in such form as to be admissible in evidence under the laws of the jurisdiction where convicted shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such guilt. The board, at its discretion, may deny licensure or certification to any applicant in accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia. the following information regarding criminal convictions in Virginia and all other jurisdictions:
- a. All misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within two years of the date of the application; and
 - b. All felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application

Any plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for purposes of this subsection. The record of a conviction received from a court shall be accepted as prima facie evidence of a conviction or finding of guilt. The board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant in accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia.

18VAC41-60-30. License by endorsement.

Upon proper application to the board, any person currently licensed to practice as a body piercer in any other state or jurisdiction of the United States and who has completed a training or apprenticeship program and an examination that is substantially equivalent to that required by this chapter may be issued a body piercer body piercer license without an examination. The applicant must also meet the requirements set forth in 18VAC41-60-20 A 1 through A 4.

18VAC41-60-40. Examination requirements and fees.

- A. Applicants for initial licensure shall pass an examination approved by the board. The examinations may be administered by the board or by a designated testing service.
- B. Any candidate failing to appear as scheduled for examination shall forfeit the examination fee.
- C. The applicant shall follow all procedures established by the board with regard to conduct at the examination. Such procedures shall include any written instructions communicated prior to the examination date and any instructions communicated at the site, either written or oral, on the date of the examination. Failure to comply with all procedures established by the board and the testing service with regard to conduct at the examination may be grounds for denial of application.
- D. Any applicant who does not pass a reexamination within one year of the initial examination date shall be required to submit a new application
- E. The fee for examination or reexamination is subject to contracted charges to the board by an outside vendor. These contracts are competitively negotiated and bargained for in compliance with the Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 2.2-4300 et seq. of the Code of Virginia). Fees may be adjusted and charged to the candidate in accordance with these contracts. The fee shall not exceed \$225 per candidate.
- F. Any candidate failing to apply for initial licensure within five years of passing the written examination shall be required to retake the examination. Records of examinations shall be maintained for a maximum of five years.

18VAC41-60-50. Reexamination requirements. (Repealed.)

Any applicant who does not pass a reexamination within one year of the initial examination date shall be required to submit a new application and examination fee.

18VAC41-60-60. Examination administration. (Repealed.)

- A. The examinations may be administered by the board or the designated testing service.
- B. The applicant shall follow all procedures established by the board with regard to conduct at the examination. Such procedures shall include any written instructions communicated prior to the examination date and any instructions communicated at the site, either written or oral, on the date of the examination. Failure to comply with all procedures established by the board and the testing service with regard to conduct at the examination may be grounds for denial of application.
- C. The fee for examination or reexamination is subject to contracted charges to the board by an outside vendor. These contracts are competitively negotiated and bargained for in compliance with the Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 2.2 4300 et seq. of the Code of Virginia). Fees may

be adjusted and charged to the candidate in accordance with these contracts. The fee shall not exceed \$225 per candidate.

18VAC41-60-70. General requirements for a body-piercing <u>body piercing</u> apprenticeship sponsor.

- A. Upon filing an application with the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology, any person meeting the qualifications set forth in this section may be eligible to sponsor a body piercing apprentice if the person:
 - 1. Holds a current Virginia body piercing body piercing license;
 - 2. Provides documentation of legally practicing body piercing for at least five years; and
 - 3. Provides documentation indicating that he is in good standing in all jurisdictions where the practice of body piercing is regulated.
 - B. Apprenticeship sponsors shall be required to maintain a body-piercer body piercer license.
- C. Apprenticeship sponsors shall ensure compliance with the 1500-hour Body-Piercing Body Piercing Apprenticeship Program and Body-Piercing Apprenticeship Standards.

18VAC41-60-80. Salon license.

- A. Any individual wishing to operate a body piercing body piercing salon or body piercing body piercing ear only salon shall obtain a salon license in compliance with § 54.1-704.1 of the Code of Virginia- and shall meet the following qualifications in order to receive a license:
 - 1. The applicant and all members of the responsible management shall be in good standing as a licensed shop or salon in Virginia and all other jurisdictions where licensed. The applicant and all members of the responsible management shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions in connection with the applicant's operation of any body piercing salon or body piercing ear only salon or practice of the profession. This includes monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender of a license in connection with a disciplinary action, or voluntary termination of a license. The applicant shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure if the applicant or any member of the responsible management has been previously licensed in Virginia as a body piercing salon or body piercing ear only salon.

Upon review of the applicant's and all members of the responsible management's prior disciplinary action, the board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant wherein it deems the applicant is unfit or unsuited to engage in the operation of a body piercing salon or body piercing ear only salon. The board will decide each case by taking into account the totality of the circumstances. Any plea of nolo contendere or comparable plea shall be considered a disciplinary action for the purposes of this section. The applicant shall provide a certified copy of a final order, decree, or case decision by a court, regulatory agency, or board with the lawful authority to issue such order, decree, or case decision, and such copy shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such disciplinary action.

- 2. The applicant shall disclose his physical address. A post office box is not acceptable.
- 3. The applicant shall sign, as part of the application, a statement certifying that the applicant has read and understands the Virginia body piercing license laws and this chapter.
- 4. In accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia, each applicant shall disclose the following information about the firm and all members of the responsible management regarding criminal convictions in Virginia and all other jurisdictions:
 - a. All misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within two years of the date of the application; and

b. All felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application.

Any plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for purposes of this subsection. The record of a conviction received from a court shall be accepted as prima facie evidence of a conviction or finding of guilt. The board, in its discretion, may deny licensure to any applicant in accordance with § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia.

- 5. The applicant shall disclose the firm's responsible management.
- B. A body piercing body piercing salon license or body piercing body piercing ear only salon license shall not be transferable and shall bear the same name and address of the business. Any changes in the name, or address, or ownership of the salon shall be reported to the board in writing within 30 days of such changes. New owners shall be responsible for reporting such changes in writing to the board applying for a new license within 30 days of the changes.
- C. In the event of a closing of a body piercing salon or body piercing ear only salon, the board must be notified by the owners in writing within 30 days of the closing, and the license must be returned by the owners to the board. Whenever the legal business entity holding the license is dissolved or altered to form a new business entity, the original license becomes void and shall be returned to the board within 30 days of the change. Additionally, the firm shall apply for a new license, within 30 days of the change in the business entity. Such changes include [but are not limited to]:
 - 1. Death of a sole proprietor;
 - 2. Death or withdrawal of a general partner in a general partnership or the managing partner in a limited partnership; and
 - 3. Conversion, formation, or dissolution of a corporation, a limited liability company, an association, or any other business entity recognized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- D. Any change in the officers of a corporation, managers of a limited liability company, or officers or directors of an association shall be reported to the board in writing within 30 days of the change.
- D.E. Any individual firm wishing to operate body-piercing body piercing salon in a temporary location must have a body-piercing body piercing salon license issued by the board.

Part III Fees

18VAC41-60-90. Fees.

The following fees apply:

FEE TYPE	AMOUNT DUE September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2018	AMOUNT DUE September 1, 2018, and after	WHEN DUE
Individuals:			
Application	\$75	\$105	With application
License by Endorsement	\$75	\$105	With application
Renewal:	\$75	\$105	With renewal card prior to expiration date

Reinstatement	\$150* *includes \$75 renewal fee and \$75 reinstatement fee	\$210* *includes \$105 renewal fee and \$105 reinstatement fee	With reinstatement application
Salons:			
Application	\$130	\$190	With application
Renewal	\$130	\$190	With renewal card prior to expiration date
Reinstatement	\$260* *includes \$130 renewal fee and \$130 reinstatement fee	\$380* *includes \$190 renewal fee and \$190 reinstatement fee	With reinstatement application

18VAC41-60-100, Refunds.

All fees are nonrefundable and shall not be prorated.

Part IV Renewal/Reinstatement

18VAC41-60-110. License renewal required.

All body piercer body piercer, body piercer body piercer ear only, body piercing body piercing salon and body-piercing body piercing ear only salon licenses shall expire two years from the last day of the month in which they were issued.

18VAC41-60-120. Continuing education requirement.

All licensed body piercers shall be required to satisfactorily complete a minimum of five hours of health education to include but not limited to blood borne bloodborne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to body piercing and first aid and CPR during their licensed term. All licensed body piercers ear only shall be required to satisfactorily complete a minimum of three hours of health education to include but not limited to blood borne bloodborne disease and first aid during their licensed term. Documentation of training completion shall be provided at the time of renewal along with the required fee.

18VAC41-60-130. Notice of renewal.

The Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation will mail a renewal notice to the licensee outlining the procedures for renewal. Failure to receive this notice, however, shall not relieve the licensee of the obligation to renew. If the licensee fails to receive the renewal notice, a copy of the old license may be submitted as evidence of intent to renew, along with the required fee.

18VAC41-60-140. Failure to renew.

A. When a body piercer or body piercer ear only an individual or business entity fails to renew their license within 30 days following its expiration date, the licensee shall meet the renewal requirements prescribed in 18VAC41-60-120 and 18VAC41-60-130 and apply for reinstatement of the license by submitting to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation a reinstatement application along with the required renewal and reinstatement fees.

B. When a body piercer or body piercer ear only an individual or business entity fails to renew his license within two years following the expiration date, reinstatement is no longer possible. To

resume practice, the former body piercer licensee shall apply for licensure as a new applicant, shall meet all current application requirements, shall pass the board's current examination if applicable, and shall receive a new license. To resume practice, the former body piercer ear only licensee shall apply for licensure as a new applicant, shall meet all current application requirements, and shall receive a new license.

- C. When a body piercing salon or body piercing ear only salon fails to renew its license within 30 days following the expiration date, it shall be required to apply for reinstatement of the license by submitting to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation a reinstatement application along with the required renewal and reinstatement fees.
- D. When a body-piercing salon or body-piercing ear only salon fails to renew its license within two years following the expiration date, reinstatement is no longer possible. To resume practice, the former licensee shall apply for licensure as a new applicant and shall meet all current application requirements.
- E. The date a renewal fee is received by the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, or its agent, will be used to determine whether the requirement for reinstatement of a license is applicable and an additional fee is required.
- F. When a license is reinstated, the licensee shall have the same license number and shall be assigned an expiration date two years from the previous expiration date of the license date of the last day of the month of reinstatement.
- G. A licensee who reinstates his license shall be regarded as having been continuously licensed without interruption. Therefore, a licensee shall be subject to the authority of the board for activities performed prior to reinstatement.
- H. A licensee who fails to reinstate his license shall be regarded as unlicensed from the expiration date of the license forward. Nothing in this chapter shall divest the board of its authority to discipline a licensee for a violation of the law or regulations during the period of time for which the individual was licensed.

Part V

Body-Piercing Body Piercing Apprenticeship Programs

18VAC41-60-150. Applicants for board approval.

- A. Any person desiring to enroll in the body-piercing apprenticeship program shall be required to provide documentation of satisfactory completion of a minimum of five hours of health education to include but not limited to blood borne disease, sterilization, and aseptic techniques related to body piercing, and first aid and CPR.
- B. Any body piercer desiring approval to perform the duties of an apprenticeship sponsor and offer the board's body-piercing apprenticeship program shall meet the requirements in 18VAC41-60-70.
- C. All apprenticeship training shall be conducted in a body-piercing salon that has met the requirements of 18VAC41-60-80.

18VAC41-60-160. Body-piercing apprenticeship curriculum requirements.

Body-piercing apprenticeship curriculum requirements are set out in this section:

- 1. Microbiology:
 - a. Microorganisms, viruses, bacteria, fungi;
 - b. Transmission cycle of infectious diseases; and
 - c. Characteristics of antimicrobial agents.
- 2. Immunization;
 - a. Types of immunizations;

- b. Hepatitis A—G transmission and immunization;
- c. HIV/AIDS;
- d. Tetanus, streptococcal, zoonotic, tuberculosis, pneumococcal, and influenza;
- e. Measles, mumps, and rubella;
- f. Vaccines and immunization; and
- g. General preventative measures to be taken to protect the body piercer and client.
- 3. Sanitation and disinfection:
 - a. Definition of terms:
 - (1) Sterilization;
 - Disinfection and disinfectant;
 - (3) Sterilizer or sterilant;
 - (4) Antiseptic;
 - (5) Germicide;
 - (6) Decontamination; and
 - (7) Sanitation;
 - b. The use of steam sterilization equipment and techniques;
 - c. The use of chemical agents, antiseptics, disinfectants, and fumigants;
 - d. The use of sanitation equipment;
 - e. Pre-service sanitation procedure; and
 - f. Post-service sanitation procedure.
- 4. Safety:
 - a. Proper needle handling and disposal;
 - b. How to avoid overexposure to chemicals;
 - c. The use of Material Safety Data Sheets;
 - d. Blood spill procedures;
 - e. Equipment and instrument storage; and
 - f. First aid and CPR.
- 5. Blood-borne Bloodborne pathogen standards.
 - a. OSHA and CDC blood-borne bloodborne pathogen standards;
 - b. Control plan for blood-borne bloodborne pathogens;
- c. Exposure Control Plan for Body Piercers;
 - d. Overview of compliance requirements; and
 - e. Disorders and when not to service a client.
- Professional standards:
 - a. History of body piercing;
 - b. Ethics;
 - c. Recordkeeping:
 - (1) Client health history;
 - (2) Consent forms; and
 - (3) HIPAA Standards (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 Privacy Rule);

- d. Preparing station, making appointments, salon ethics:
- (1) Maintaining professional appearance, notifying clients of schedule changes; and
- (2) Promoting services of the salon and establishing clientele;
- e. Salon management:
- (1) Licensing requirements; and
- (2) Taxes; and
- f. Supplies:
- (1) Usages;
- (2) Ordering; and
- (3) Storage.
- 7. Body piercing:
 - a. Client consultation;
 - b. Client health information;
 - c. Client disclosure form;
 - d. Client preparation;
 - e. Sanitation and safety precautions;
 - f. Implement selection and use;
 - g. Proper use of equipment;
 - h. Material selection and use;
 - i. Grade of jewelry; and
 - j. Metals to use.
- 8. Body-piercing procedures:
 - a. Ear lobe;
 - b. Helix-ear;
 - c. Concha-ear;
 - d. Tragus-ear;
 - e. Tongue;
 - f. Navel;
 - g. Eyebrow;
 - h. Lip;
 - i. Septum;
 - j. Nostril;
 - k. Male nipple;
 - I. Female nipple;
 - m. Monroe (face cheek);
 - n. Prince Albert (male genitalia);
 - o. Frenum (male genitalia);
 - p. Clitorial hoods (female genitalia); and
 - q. Labias (female genitalia).
- 9. Virginia body-piercing body piercing laws and regulations.

18VAC41-60-170. Body-piercing Body piercing hours of instruction and performances.

- A. Curriculum requirements specified in 18VAC41-60-160 shall be taught over a minimum of 1,500 hours as follows:
 - 1. 350 hours shall be devoted to theory pertaining to subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6 of 18VAC41-60-160:
 - 2. 150 hours shall be devoted to theory pertaining to subdivision 3 of 18VAC41-60-160; and
 - 3. The remaining 1,000 hours shall be devoted to practical training and the following performances pertaining to subdivision 7 of 18VAC41-60-160:

Body Piercing Body Piercing

Performances

	ear lobe	minimum of 5
	helix - ear	minimum of 5
	concha - ear	minimum of 5
	tragus - ear	minimum of 5
	tongue	minimum of 5
	navel	minimum of 5
	eyebrow	minimum of 5
	lip	minimum of 5
	septum	minimum of 5
	nostril	minimum of 5
	additional piercings of choice	minimum of 50
Tota	al	100

B. An approved body-piercing apprenticeship program may conduct an assessment of an apprentice's competence in the theory and practical requirements for body piercing and, based on the assessment, give a maximum of 500 hours of credit towards the requirements in subdivisions A 1 and A 3 of this section. No credit shall be allowed for the 150 hours required in subdivision A 2 of this section.

Part VI Standards of Practice

18VAC41-60-180. Display of license.

- A. Each body piercing body piercing salon owner or body piercing body piercing ear only salon owner shall ensure that all current licenses issued by the board shall be displayed in the reception area of the salon in plain view of the public. Duplicate licenses shall be posted in a like manner in every salon location where the licensee provides services.
- B. Each body piercing body piercing salon or body piercing body piercing ear only salon owner shall ensure that no licensee performs any service beyond the scope of practice for the applicable license.
- C. Each body-piercing body piercing salon or body-piercing body piercing ear only salon owner shall offer to licensees the full series of Hepatitis B vaccine.
- D. Each body piercing body piercing salon or body piercing body piercing ear only salon owner shall maintain a record for each licensee of:

- 1. Proof of completion of the full series of Hepatitis B vaccine;
- 2. Proof of immunity by blood titer; or
- 3. Written declaration of refusal of the owner's offer of a full series of Hepatitis B vaccine.
- E. All licensees shall operate under the name in which the license is issued.

18VAC41-60-190. Physical facilities.

- A. A body piercing body piercing salon or body piercing body piercing ear only salon must be in a permanent building, which must be in a location permissible under local zoning codes, if any. If applicable, the body piercing body piercing salon or body piercing body piercing ear only salon shall be separated from any living quarters by complete floor to ceiling partitioning and shall contain no access to living quarters.
- B. The body-piercing body piercing salon, body-piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location shall be maintained in a clean and orderly manner.
- C. A body-piercing body piercing salon, body-piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location shall have a blood spill clean-up kit in the work area.
- D. Work surfaces in a body piercing body piercing salon, body piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location shall be cleaned with an EPA-registered, hospital grade disinfectant. Surfaces that come in contact with blood or other body fluids shall be immediately disinfected with an EPA-registered germicide solution. Appropriate personal protective equipment shall be worn during cleaning and disinfecting procedures.
- E. In a body-piercing body piercing salon, body-piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location, cabinets or containers for the storage of instruments, single-use articles, and other utensils shall be provided for each operator and shall be maintained in a sanitary manner.
- F. In a body piercing <u>body piercing</u> salon, body piercing <u>body piercing</u> ear only salon, or temporary location, bulk single-use articles shall be commercially packaged and handled in such a way as to protect them from contamination.
- G. In a body piercing body piercing salon, body piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location, all materials applied to the human skin shall be from single-use articles or transferred from bulk containers to single use containers and shall be disposed of after each use.
- H. In a body piercing body piercing salon or body piercing body piercing ear only salon, the walls, ceilings, and floors shall be kept in good repair. The body piercing body piercing area shall be constructed of smooth, hard, surfaces that are nonporous, free of open holes or cracks, light colored, and easily cleaned. New physical facilities shall not include any dark-colored surfaces in the body-piercing body piercing area. Existing physical facilities with dark-colored surfaces in the body-piercing area shall replace the dark-colored surfaces with light-colored surfaces whenever the facilities are extensively remodeled or upon relocation of the business.
- I. A body-piercing body piercing salon, body-piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location shall have adequate lighting of at least 50 foot-candles of illumination in the body-piercing and sterilization areas.
- J. In a body piercing body piercing salon, body piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location, adequate mechanical ventilation shall be provided.
- K. A body piercing body piercing salon, body piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location shall be equipped with hand-cleaning facilities for its personnel with unobstructed access to the body-piercing body piercing or body-piercing body piercing ear only area such that the body piercer or body piercer ear only can return to the area without having to touch anything with his hands. Hand-cleaning facilities shall be equipped either with hot and cold or tempered running water under pressure and liquid germicidal soap or with a sanitizing solution to clean hands. Hand-cleaning facilities shall be equipped with single-use towels or mechanical

hand drying devices and a covered refuse container. Such facilities shall be kept clean and in good repair. All facilities must have running water and soap accessible for cleaning of hands contaminated by body fluids.

- L. Animals are not permitted in the body-piercing body piercing salon, body-piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location except for guide or service animals accompanying persons with disabilities or nonmammalian animals in enclosed glass containers such as fish aquariums, which shall be outside of the body-piercing or sterilization areas. No animals are allowed in the body-piercing, body-piercing ear only or sterilization areas.
- M. In a body-piercing salon, body-piercing ear only salon, or temporary location, the use of tobacco products and consumption of alcoholic beverages shall be prohibited in the body-piercing body piercing, body-piercing body piercing ear only or sterilization areas.
- N. In a body-piercing body piercing salon, body-piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location, no food or drink will be stored or consumed in the body piercing body piercing ear only, or sterilization areas.
- O. In a body-piercing body piercing salon, body-piercing body piercing ear only salon, or temporary location, if body-piercing or body-piercing ear only is performed where cosmetology services are provided, it shall be performed in an area that is separate and enclosed.
 - P. All steam sterilizers shall be biological spore tested at least monthly.
 - Q. Biological spore tests shall be verified through an independent laboratory.
- R. Biological spore test records shall be retained for a period of three years and made available upon request.
 - S. Steam sterilizers shall be used only for instruments used by the salon's employees.

18VAC41-60-200. Body piercer and body piercer ear only responsibilities.

- A. All body piercers and body piercers ear only shall provide to the owner one of the following:
 - 1. Proof of completion of the full series of Hepatitis B vaccine;
 - 2. Proof of immunity by blood titer; or
 - 3. Written declaration of refusal of the owner's offer of a full series of Hepatitis B vaccine.
- B. All body piercers and body piercers ear only shall wear clean outer garments, maintain a high degree of personal cleanliness, and conform to hygienic practices while on duty.
- C. All body piercers and body piercers ear only shall clean their hands thoroughly using hot or tempered water with a liquid germicidal soap or use sanitizing solution to clean hands before and after body piercing and as necessary to remove contaminants.
- D. All body piercers and body piercers ear only must wear single-use examination gloves while assembling instruments and another pair of single-use examination gloves while providing piercing services.
- E. Each time there is an interruption in the service, each time the gloves become torn or perforated or become contaminated, or whenever the ability of the gloves to function as a barrier is compromised:
 - Gloves shall be removed and disposed of; and
 - 2. Hands shall be cleaned and a fresh pair of gloves used.
- F. Body piercers and body piercers ear only shall use standard precautions while providing piercing services. A body piercer or body piercer ear only diagnosed with a communicable disease shall provide to the department a written statement from a health care practitioner that the body piercer's condition no longer poses a threat to public health.
- G. Body piercers and body piercers ear only with draining lesions on their hands or face will not be permitted to work until cleared by a health-care professional.

- H. The area of the client's skin to be pierced shall be cleaned with an approved germicidal soap or antiseptic product according to label directions.
- I. The external skin of the client to be pierced shall be cleaned with an approved germicidal soap or antiseptic product according to the label directions. In the case of oral piercings, the operator shall provide the individual with antiseptic mouthwash in a single-use cup and shall ensure that the individual utilizes the mouthwash provided. In the case of a lip, labret or cheek piercing, procedures described in this subsection for both skin and oral piercings shall be followed.
- J. If shaving is required, razors shall be single-use and disposed of in a puncture-resistant container.
- K. Each body piercer or body piercer ear only performing any piercing procedures in the salon shall have the education, training and experience, or any combination thereof, to practice aseptic technique and prevent the transmission of blood borne pathogens. All procedures shall be performed using aseptic technique.
- L. An individual, single-use, pre-sterilized piercing needle shall be used for each client. Single-use disposable instruments shall be disposed of in a puncture-resistant container.
- M. Used, nondisposable instruments shall be kept in a separate, puncture-resistant container until brush scrubbed in hot water soap and then sterilized by autoclaving. Contaminated instruments shall be handled with disposable gloves.
- N. Used <u>nondisposable</u> instruments that are ultrasonically cleaned shall be rinsed under running hot water prior to being placed in the used instrument container.
- O. Used <u>nondisposable</u> instruments that are not ultrasonically cleaned prior to being placed in the used instrument container shall be kept in a germicidal or soap solution until brush scrubbed in hot water and soap and sterilized by autoclaving.
 - P. The ultrasonic unit shall be sanitized daily with a germicidal solution.
- Q. Nondisposable instruments shall be sterilized and shall be handled and stored in a manner to prevent contamination. Instruments to be sterilized shall be sealed in bags made specifically for the purpose of autoclave sterilization and shall include the date of sterilization. If nontransparent bags are utilized, the bag shall also list the contents.
- R. Autoclave sterilization bags with a color code indicator that changes color upon proper sterilization shall be utilized during the autoclave sterilization process.
- S. Nondisposable <u>Instruments</u> instruments shall be placed in the autoclave in a manner to allow live steam to circulate around them.
- T. Contaminated disposable and single-use items shall be disposed of in accordance with federal and state regulations regarding disposal of biological hazardous materials.
 - U. The manufacturer's written instruction of the autoclave shall be followed.

18VAC41-60-210. Body-piercing Body piercing client qualifications, disclosures, and records.

- A. Except as permitted in § 18.2-371.3 of the Code of Virginia, a client must be a minimum of 18 years of age and shall present at the time of the body piercing a valid, government-issued, positive identification card including, but not limited to, a driver's license, passport, or military identification. The identification must contain a photograph of the individual and a printed date of birth.
- B. The body piercer shall verify and document in the permanent client record the client's age, date of birth, and the type of identification provided.
 - C. No person may be body pierced who appears to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

- D. Body piercing shall not be performed on any skin surface that manifests any evidence of unhealthy conditions such as rashes, boils, infections, or abrasions.
- E. Before receiving a body piercing, each client and client's parent or guardian, if applicable, shall be informed verbally and in writing, using the client disclosure form prescribed by the board, about the possible risk and dangers associated with the application of each body piercing. Signatures of the client, the client's parent or guardian, if applicable, and the body piercer shall be required on the client disclosure form to acknowledge receipt of both the verbal and written disclosures. Each client and client's parent or guardian, if applicable, shall be informed verbally and in writing of aftercare for each piercing.
- F. The body-piercing salon or temporary location shall maintain proper records for each client. The information shall be permanently recorded and made available for examination by the department or authorized agent. Records shall be maintained at the body-piercing salon for at least two years following the date of the last entry. The temporary location client records shall be maintained by the license holder. The permanent records shall include the following:
 - 1. The name, address, and telephone number of the client;
 - 2. The date body piercing was performed;
 - 3. The client's age, date of birth, and a copy of the positive identification provided to the body piercer;
 - 4. The specific type of jewelry used for the piercing and, when available, the manufacturer's catalogue or identification number for the type of jewelry used;
 - 5. The location on the body where the body piercing was performed;
 - 6. The name of the body piercer;
 - 7. A statement that the client has received a copy of applicable written care instructions and that the client has read and understands the instructions; and
 - 8. The signature of the client and, if applicable, parent or guardian.

18VAC41-60-220. Grounds for license revocation or suspension or probation; denial of application, renewal or reinstatement; or imposition of a monetary penalty.

- A. The board may, in considering the totality of the circumstances, fine any licensee and suspend, place on probation or revoke or refuse to renew or reinstate any license, or deny any application issued under the provisions of Chapter 7 (§ 54.1-700 et seq.) of Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia the regulations of the board this chapter if the board it finds that the licensee or applicant:
 - 1. The licensee is <u>Is</u> incompetent or negligent in practice, or incapable mentally or physically, as those terms are generally understood in the profession, to practice as a body piercer or body piercer ear only, or to operate a body piercing salon;
 - 2. The licensee or applicant is <u>ls</u> convicted of fraud or deceit in the practice body piercing or body piercing ear only;
 - 3. The licensee or applicant attempted Attempted to obtain, obtained, renewed, or reinstated a license by false or fraudulent representation;
 - 4. The licensee or applicant violates_Violates_or induces others to violate, or cooperates with others in violating, any of the provisions of this chapter or Chapter 7 (§ 54.1-700 et seq.) of Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia or any local ordinance or regulation governing standards of health and sanitation of the establishment in which body piercers or body piercers ear only may practice or offer to practice;
 - 5. Offers, gives, or promises anything of value or benefit to any federal, state, or local employee for the purpose of influencing that employee to circumvent, in the performance

- of his duties, any federal, state, or local law, regulation, or ordinance governing bodypiercing as defined in § 54.1-700 of the Code of Virginia;
- 6. Fails to respond to the board or any of its agents or provides false, misleading, or incomplete information to an inquiry by the board or any of its agents;
- 7. Fails or refuses to allow the board or any of its agents to inspect during reasonable hours any licensed salon for compliance with provisions of Chapter 7 (§ 54.1-700 et seq.) or this chapter;
- 5. The licensee or applicant fails 8. Fails to produce, upon request or demand of the board or any of its agents, any document, book, record, or copy thereof in a licensee's or owner's possession or maintained in accordance with this chapter;
- 6. A licensee fails 9. Fails to notify the board of a change of name or address in writing within 30 days of the change for each and every license. The board shall not be responsible for the licensee's failure to receive notices, communications and correspondence caused by the licensee's failure to promptly notify the board in writing of any change of name or address or for any other reason beyond the control of the board;
- 7. The licensee or applicant 10. Makes any misrepresentation or publishes or causes to be published any advertisement that is false, deceptive, or misleading;
- 8. The licensee or applicant fails 11. Fails to notify the board in writing within 30 days of the suspension, revocation, or surrender of a license, certificate, or permit in connection with a disciplinary action in any other jurisdiction or of any license, certificate, or permit which has been the subject of disciplinary action in any other jurisdiction;
- 9. The licensee or applicant has been convicted or found guilty in any jurisdiction of any misdemeanor or felony. Any plea of nole contenders shall be considered a conviction for the purpose of this section. The record of a conviction certified or authenticated in such form as to be admissible in evidence under the laws of the jurisdiction where convicted shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such guilt; or
- 12. Has been convicted or found guilty, regardless of the manner of adjudication in Virginia or any other jurisdiction of the United States, of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury or any felony, there being no appeal pending therefrom or the time for appeal having elapsed. Review of convictions shall be subject to the requirements of § 54.1-204 of the Code of Virginia. Any plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for purposes of this subdivision. The record of a conviction certified or authenticated in such form as to be admissible in evidence under the laws of the jurisdiction where convicted shall be admissible as prima facie evidence of such conviction or guilt;
- 10. The licensee, certificate holder, temporary license holder, or applicant fails to notify the board in writing within 30 days that the licensee, certificate holder, temporary license holder, or applicant has pleaded guilty or nolo contendere or was convicted and found guilty of any misdemeanor or felony. 13. Fails to inform the board in writing within 30 days of pleading guilty or nolo contendere or being convicted or found guilty regardless of adjudication of any convictions as stated in subdivision 12 of this section;
- 14. Allows, as responsible management of a salon, a person who has not obtained a license to practice as a body piercer or body piercer ear only;
- 15. Fails to take sufficient measures to prevent transmission of communicable or infectious diseases or fails to comply with sanitary requirements provided for in this chapter or any local, state, or federal law or regulation governing the standards of health and sanitation for the practice of body piercing, or the operation of body piercing or body piercing ear only salons; or

16. Fails to comply with all procedures established by the board and the testing service with regard to conduct at any board examination.

B. In addition to subsection A of this section, the board may, in considering the totality of the circumstances, revoke, suspend, place on probation or refuse to renew or reinstate the license of any body piercing salon or body piercing ear only salon or impose a fine as permitted by law, or both, if the board finds that:

- 1. The owner or operator of the body piercing salon or body piercing ear only salon fails to comply with the facility requirements of body piercing salons or body piercing ear only salons provided for in this chapter or in any local ordinances; or
- 2. The owner or operator allows a person who has not obtained a license to practice as a body piercer or body piercer ear only unless the person is duly enrolled as an apprentice.

C. In addition to subsection A of this section, the board may, in considering the totality of the circumstances, revoke, suspend, place on probation or refuse to renew or reinstate the license of any licensee or impose a fine as permitted by law, or both, if the board finds that the licensee fails to take sufficient measures to prevent transmission of communicable or infectious diseases or fails to comply with any local, state or federal law or regulation governing the standards of health and sanitation for the practice of body piercing or body piercing ear only.

FORMS (18VAC41-60)

Body Piercer Examination & License Application, A425-1241EXLIC (eff. 9/2011)

Body-Piercing Training & Experience Verification Form, A425-12BPTREXP (eff. 9/2011)

Body Piercing Apprenticeship Sponsor Application, A425 12BPSPON (eff. 9/2011)

Body-Piercing Apprentice Certification Application, A425-1244BPAC (eff. 9/2011)

Body Piercing Apprenticeship Completion Form, A425 12BPAC (eff. 9/2011)

Body Piercing Client Disclosure Form, A425-12BPDIS (eff. 9/2011)

Body Piercer Ear Only License Application, A450-1245LIC-v6 (rev. 9/2016)

License by Endorsement Application, A450-1213END-v9 (rev. 9/2016)

Training & Experience Verification Form, A425-1213TREXP (eff. 9/2011)

Salon, Shop, Spa & Parlor License/Reinstatement Application, A450-1213BUS-v8 (rev. 9/2016)

Licensure Fee Notice, A450-1213FEE-v6 (rev. 9/2016)

Individuals Reinstatement Application, A450-1213REI-v8 (rev. 9/2016)

Body Piercer Examination & License Application, A450-1241EXLIC-v13 (rev. 7/2019)

Body-Piercing Client Disclosure Form, A450-12BPDIS-v2 (rev. 4/2013)

Body Piercer Ear Only License Application, A450-1245LIC-v7 (rev. 7/2019)

License by Endorsement Application, A450-1213END-v10 (rev. 2/2017)

Training & Experience Verification Form, A450-1213TREXP-v6 (eff. 2/2017)

Salon, Shop, Spa & Parlor License/Reinstatement Application, A450-1213BUS-v12 (rev. 7/2019)

Licensure Fee Notice, A450-1213FEE-v7 (rev. 4/2017)

Individuals - Reinstatement Application, A450-1213REI-v9 (rev. 2/2017)