



New Body Art Practitioner Registration Guide

County of Santa Clara

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

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

1. **Practitioner's Application:** [Fillable application](#) (Must operate at a Santa Clara County DEH approved body art facility).
2. **Blood Borne Pathogen Training:** Obtain bloodborne pathogen training from an [approved training course provider](#) (PDF certification required with submittal)(*training courses that do not meet standards will be rejected).
3. **Proof of Hepatitis B vaccination or [declination form](#):**
4. **Picture for Photo ID:** passport type photo.
5. **Provide Proof of Age:** driver's license or passport.

→ Please email ALL required items to SWPadmin@deh.sccgov.org. These documents will be reviewed and if accepted, you will be invoiced the [\\$175.00](#) permit fee (allow 2-4 weeks for invoice send out).

→ Once the application is reviewed and accepted you will be APPROVED TO OPERATE contingent upon payment of the invoiced body art permit fee.

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

For more information about the Body Art Program you can access our website at <https://www.sccgov.org/sites/swp/programs/tattoo/Pages/tattoo.aspx>.

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