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Please visit our website where you can view and print this brochure, the quarterly newsletters, the rules and regulations pertaining to tattooing and receive the most up to date information concerning tattooing and other professions regulated by the Board of Cosmetology.

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References: K.S.A. 65-1944, 65-1953, K.A.R. 69-15-10,69-15-15, 69-15-16, 69-15-17, 69-15-21, 69-15-22, 69-15-24, 69-15-27, 69-15-28,



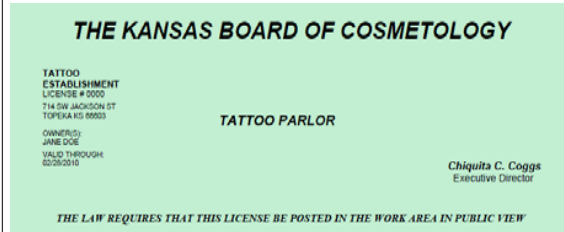
The mission of the Kansas Board of Cosmetology is to protect the health and safety of the consuming public by licensing qualified individuals and enforcing standards of practice.

TATTOOING INFORMATION

THINGS TO LOOK FOR AND EXPECT

The Tattoo Establishment:

The tattoo establishment should have an active valid license posted where you can easily see it. It is green and should have a license number and expiration date. The address on the license should also match the location of the establishment. The establishment's most recent inspection report should be posted as well.



All areas of the establishment should be clean and in good repair.

All surfaces including counters, tables, equipment, and client chairs, where you are receiving the service should be made of smooth, nonabsorbent, and nonporous material.

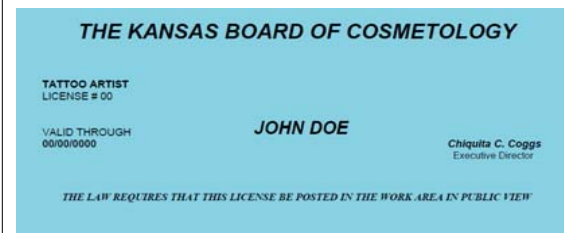
The toilet facilities should be clean and in good working order at all times and should include a hand washing sink, soap, and disposable towels or an air dryer.

The Tattooist:

The tattooist should have an active valid license posted where you can easily see it; it would be blue if a practitioner, yellow if an apprentice, and pink for a temporary permit. The license should have a license number and expiration date.

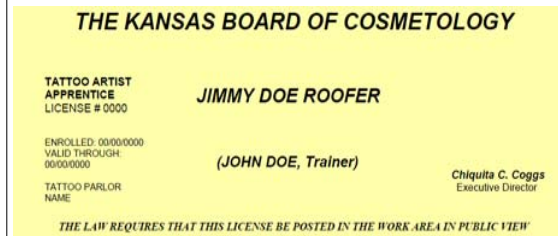
If it is blue, it means they have completed training and passed a written and practical exam.

Practitioner License:

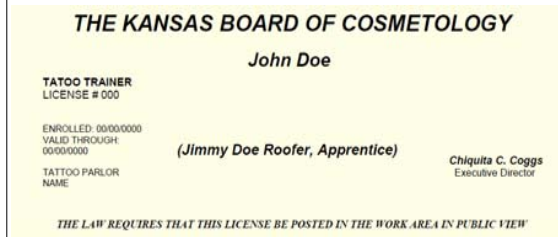


A yellow license means that they are in training and their trainer's name should be printed on the license. The trainer should be present, supervising the service. The trainer should also have a trainer's license in addition to the blue practitioner license. It is manila colored and has the name of their apprentice printed on the license. To be approved, the trainer must have at least five years full-time active practice and an approved curriculum.

Apprentice License:

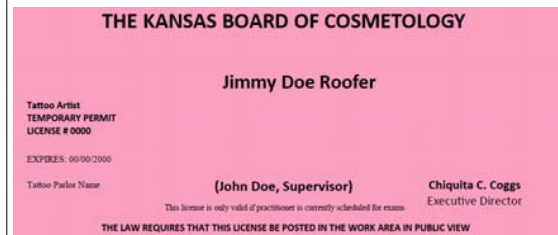


Trainer License:



If the license is pink, it means that they have completed their training but have not passed the Board exams yet. They are currently under the supervision of a licensed practitioner. The name of the supervising practitioner is printed on the license.

Temporary Permit:



The practitioner is required to keep a record of each client that includes your name, address, date, type of identification, duration of the service, and type of service.

The practitioner should give you written information before the service informing you of possible reactions, side effects, and potential complications of the service.

If you are receiving a corrective service the practitioner should take a picture of the tattoo before and after services are rendered.

The practitioner should be using ink, dye, or pigment purchased from suppliers or manufacturers.

The practitioner cannot provide services to anyone that appears to be inebriated or incapacitated by the use of alcohol or drugs, persons showing signs of recent intravenous drug use, sunburn or other skin diseases or disorders, or where there is psoriasis or eczema present in the treatment area.

The practitioner cannot provide services to anyone under the age of 18 without written notarized consent from the parent or court appointed guardian. The parent or legal guardian must also be present at the time of service.

Prior to providing services the practitioner should thoroughly wash their hands and cover their hands in single use protective gloves.

If your skin needs to be shaved the practitioner should be using either a single use razor or a straight razor.

Stencils should be either single use and discarded immediately after use or acetate or plastic that can be cleansed.

The practitioner should remove the tip of a body pencil, disinfect the body and tip of the pen and then sharpen it to remove the exposed edge after use.

All substances from containers should be dispensed into single-use tubes or containers without contaminating the unused portion. Applicators, single-use containers and tubes should be discarded following service.

Bottles should be clearly marked/labeled to disclose the contents.

Clean linens should be used for each client, common towels are prohibited.

Instruments being used should either be single-use or should be sterilized or disinfected and should come from clean dry sterilized containers.

Needles should be stainless steel needles that are taken out of sterilized bags.

There should be a sharps container within arms reach for the practitioner to dispose of single-use needles and razors.

The practitioner should wash your skin before and after the service with a germicidal solution, and apply a sanitary covering that is affixed with tape intended for use on the skin.

The practitioner should provide you with verbal and written aftercare instructions concerning proper care of the tattooed skin. This information should include: care following service, possible side effects, and restrictions.