Requirements for premises registered under the public health and wellbeing act 2008

- Hairdresser
- Beauty treatments including -
  - Waxing
  - Manicures
  - Pedicures
  - Facials
- Skin penetration procedures including
  - Ear Piercing
  - Body Piercing
  - Electrolysis
  - Tattooing

REGISTRATION PROCESS
Prior to considering your application the following information must be supplied.
- Contact details of proposed proprietor or builder/shop fitter
- Two sets of plans showing that all requirements have been complied with (refer to the Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2008 and the Health Guidelines for Personal Care and Body Art Industries)
- Details of the procedures to be undertaken at the business, e.g. manicures, waxing, semi-permanent make-up, electrolysis, etc.

Once plans have been approved, the fit-out can commence. A progress inspection may be carried out during the fit out.
Final approval to begin operation will only be given when:

- The fit-out is completed in accordance to the plan
- Council is satisfied that all procedures are carried out in accordance with relevant guidelines or regulations to minimise the spread of infectious disease

The premises will then qualify for registration under the Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008.

A completed application for registration with the appropriate fee must be lodged before opening.

To obtain a copy of the Department of Health, ‘Health Guidelines for Personal Care and Body Art Industries’ visit www.health.vic.gov.au/ideas
Personal care and body art industries

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Equipment, furniture, fittings, floors and walls should all be purpose built or purchased specifically for the task to be performed.
- They should be durable, safe and suitable for cleaning and maintenance, and constructed of sealed nonporous material.
- Adequate lighting and ventilation must be provided throughout the premises.
- The area of client procedure rooms/cubicles should be no less than 2.5 meters square.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

- A hand washbasin with hot and cold running water supplied through a single outlet, liquid soap and paper towels should all be installed in the immediate procedure area.
- Where skin penetration procedures are performed, the hand basin should be hands free (for example, foot operated, electronically controlled or knee operated). Elbow operated taps are not desirable.
- A sink with hot and cold water in addition to the hand washbasin is to be provided exclusively for washing equipment and instruments and is to be located in the cleaning area.

STERILIZATION

- Premises with processes that involve skin penetration including body piercing, electrolysis and tattooing, must be provided with a means of sterilizing equipment.
- Steam under pressure sterilization is the only recommended process for businesses in the personal care and body art industries. Bench top autoclaves should conform to AS2182.

CLIENT INFORMATION

- Under Regulation 32 of the Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2008, proprietors of a skin penetration premises must provide written information directly to their client about the transmission of infectious diseases associated with the process undertaken.
- Client information sheets are available from the Public Health Unit. Phone 9518 3555.