

Public Health Environmental Health Services

Mobile Body Art Facility Packet

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Mobile body art facilities in the County of San Bernardino are required to obtain a valid health permit or be subject to closure. Health permits are non-transferable and must be posted in a conspicuous place within the vehicle or mobile unit. In order to obtain a valid health permit, the steps listed below must be completed.

- Obtain Plan Review Approval
 - A health permit will only be issued after an investigation has determined the proposed body art facility and its method of operation meets the specification of the approved plans or conforms to the Safe Body Art Act requirements.
- Complete Application for Health Permit (for application click here)
- Pay Applicable fee for a Mobile Body Art Facility
- If a practitioner performs body art in a vehicle, a health permit is required if the practitioner will practice in the vehicle in this jurisdiction for more than 7 days in a 90-day period*. To obtain a health permit, the vehicle shall meet the following requirements:
 - 1. Constructed with a partition of at least three feet in height separating the procedure area from the public
 - 2. Be free of insect or rodent infestation
 - 3. Used exclusively for performing body art
 - 4. Equipped with adequate light available at the level where the practitioner is performing body art
 - 5. Equipped with hand washing equipment that, at a minimum, consists of containerized liquid soap, single-use paper towels, a five-gallon or larger container of potable water accessible via spigot, and a wastewater collection and holding tank of corresponding size. Potable water shall be refilled and the holding tank evacuated at least every four procedures or every four hours, whichever occurs first
 - 6. Not allow animals within the confines of the demonstration booth

A mobile body art facility shall maintain and follow a written Infection Prevention and Control Plan, provided by the owner or established by the practitioners, specifying the procedures to achieve compliance with each applicable AB 300 requirement.

*If the vehicle will be operating in the jurisdiction for less than 7 days in a consecutive 90-day period, the vehicle shall be treated as a temporary booth and will be subject to the requirements of a temporary body art facility.

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The Infection Prevention and Control Plan shall include all of the following:

- 1. Procedures for decontaminating and disinfecting environmental surfaces
- 2. Procedures for decontaminating, packaging, sterilizing, and storing reusable instruments
- 3. Procedures for protecting clean instruments and sterile instrument packs from exposure to dust and moisture during storage
- 4. A set up and tear down procedure for any form of body art performed at the body art facility
- 5. Techniques to prevent the contamination of instruments or the procedure site during the performance of body art
- 6. Procedures for safe handling and disposal of sharps waste



A mobile body art facility with an imminent health hazard may be closed immediately and the health permit suspended. The owner has the right to request (in writing) a hearing to show cause why the health permit should not be suspended. A failure to request a hearing within 15 calendar days after receipt of the notice shall be deemed a waiver of the right to a hearing. Prior to re-opening (reinstating the health permit), the owner must abate the imminent hazard and contact our office to schedule a reinspection. The re-inspection will be charged at the current hourly rate (minimum one hour).