



Body Art Program

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<https://deh.acgov.org/solidwaste/body-art.page>

Mechanical Stud and Clasp Ear Piercing (MSCEP) Notification

Completion of this form will constitute compliance with California Health and Safety Code, Chapter 1, Article 7, Section 119325 relating to piercing the ear with a mechanical stud and clasp device. It is not intended to, nor does it fulfill any requirements for any other activity, including body art practitioner registration/permitting or body art facility permits as set forth in The Safe Body Art Act, California Health and Safety Code Sections 119300 through 119324. **Please see reverse side for sanitation, jewelry, practitioner, and notification requirements.**

OWNER(S) INFORMATION

OWNER(S) NAME(S): _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

BUSINESS NAME (DBA): _____

BUSINESS PHONE: _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

List **addresses** of all business locations within Alameda County that you will be operating AND the **contact name** and **phone number** for the person responsible for compliance at each location. Attach additional sheets as needed:

FACILITY LOCATION #1: _____

CONTACT: _____ PHONE: _____

FA# _____ PR# _____ AMOUNT PAID: _____

FACILITY LOCATION #2: _____

CONTACT: _____ PHONE: _____

FA# _____ PR# _____ AMOUNT PAID: _____

FACILITY LOCATION #3: _____

CONTACT: _____ PHONE: _____

FA# _____ PR# _____ AMOUNT PAID: _____

The mechanical Stud and Clasp Ear Piercing will be conducted in compliance with requirements of Article 7 of the Safe Body Art Act. Please advise the Department of Environmental Health of any changes in business activity; owner name, mailing or business address, or contact information for responsible party or parties.

SIGNATURE(S)

PRINT NAME(S) / TITLE(S)

DATE

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

FA# _____ PR# _____

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT PAID: _____ DATE PAID: _____

APPROVED NOT APPROVED DATE: _____

The following is a summary of pertinent sections of the California Health and Safety Code for Mechanical Stud and Clasp Ear Piercing (MSCEP). Please note, these sections are applicable ONLY for piercing the ear(s) with a mechanical device which uses a single-use, pre-sterilized stud and clasp. Piercing the tragus of the ear or any other part of the body and/or using any other type of manual or automatic device requires that additional body art practitioner registration/permit and facility permit requirements must be met which are not contained in this document or MSCEP Notification Form. The full text of The Safe Body Art Act can be found online at: <https://deh.acgov.org/solidwaste-assets/docs/CaliforniaSafeBodyArtAct.pdf>

California Health and Safety Code, Chapter 1, Article 7, Sections 119325, 119326, and 119327 (excerpted).

119325 Mechanical Stud and Clasp Ear Piercing Requirements

- (a) The piercing of the ear with a mechanical stud and clasp device does not constitute body art or body piercing as defined in this chapter. It is the intent of the Legislature, in enacting this article, to provide uniform statewide requirements for the performance of ear piercing with a mechanical stud and clasp device. The piercing of an ear with a mechanical stud and clasp device shall only be subject to the requirements in this article.
- (b) The area within a facility where mechanical stud and clasp ear piercing is conducted shall be safe and sanitary and shall not constitute a threat to the public health and safety, as reasonably determined by the local enforcement agency.
- (c) The mechanical stud and clasp device that is used to pierce an ear pursuant to this article shall be single-use, presterilized, stud and clasp only.
- (d) The single-use mechanical stud and clasp device used to pierce an ear pursuant to this article shall meet the jewelry requirements in subdivision (e).
- (e) Only jewelry made of ASTM F138, ISO 5832-1, and AISI 316L or AISI 316LVM implant grade stainless steel, solid 14-karat through 18-karat yellow or white gold, niobium, ASTM F136 6A4V titanium, platinum, or other materials found to be equally biocompatible shall be placed in newly pierced skin.

119326 Notification Form

- (a) The local enforcement agency may require a facility that provides mechanical stud and clasp ear piercing services to submit a notification form, which shall be provided by the local enforcement agency in the jurisdiction in which the facility is located. If the local enforcement agency requires this notification form, the form shall include all of the following information:
 - 1. The address of all facilities within the jurisdiction where mechanical stud and clasp ear piercing will be performed.
 - 2. A statement that the mechanical stud and clasp ear piercing will be conducted in compliance with the requirements of this article.
 - 3. The contact information for the person responsible for compliance with this article and who the local enforcement agency should contact regarding complaints from the public regarding mechanical stud and clasp ear piercing at a facility listed in paragraph (1).

119327 Personnel Requirements

- (a) A person piercing an ear with a mechanical stud and clasp piercing device shall meet the following requirements before providing mechanical stud and clasp ear piercing services:
 - 1. Is at least 18 years of age.
 - 2. Received one hour of training that covers all of the following topics:
 - A. Proper use of the mechanical stud and clasp ear piercing device.
 - B. Types of bloodborne pathogens and the prevention of the transmission of bloodborne communicable diseases.
 - C. Proper hand hygiene.
 - D. The safe and sanitary use of single-use equipment, including, but not limited to gloves, towels, and disinfectant wipes.
 - 3. If the person will also be piercing the cartilage of the upper ear, that person shall also receive training on proper techniques for this type of piercing.
- (b) The training requirements of subdivision (a) shall not apply to an individual who was employed to perform mechanical stud and clasp ear piercing prior to the effective date of this article.