

**Title R18
COSMETOLOGY**

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R18.04.010 Definitions. As used in this chapter:

A. "Adequate hand-washing facilities" means having hot and cold running water available within the premises and within twenty feet (20') of the place where ear-piercing procedures are performed.

B. "Sterilized" means:

1. Autoclaved at two hundred fifty degrees (250°F) under fifteen (15) pounds pressure for twenty (20) minutes; or
2. Dry heat sterilization at three hundred thirty-eight degrees Fahrenheit (338°F) for two (2) hours; or
3. Boiling for at least fifteen (15) minutes; or
4. Other method of sterilization approved by the health officer. (HDR 14 § 1, 11-8-76).

R18.04.020 Hand-washing facilities. Any commercial facility which is used for performing any ear-piercing procedures shall have adequate hand-washing facilities available. Every owner or operator of a commercial facility which is used for performing any ear-piercing procedures shall ensure that adequate hand-washing facilities are available. (HDR 14 § 2, 11-8-76).

R18.04.030 Hand-washing procedures. Every owner or operator of a commercial facility which is used for performing any ear-piercing procedures shall establish standard operating procedures whereby the hands of employees will be thoroughly washed with soap and warm water between customers. (HDR 14 § 4, 11-8-76).

R18.04.040 Sterility of instruments. Any device, material or thing to be inserted in the ear shall be sterile. All instruments or parts of such instruments that come in direct contact with the device, material or thing to be inserted shall be sterilized prior to each use. (HDR 14 § 3, 11-8-76).