

## CHAPTER 9

### Tattoo Parlors

#### SEC. 7-9-1 REGULATION AND LICENSING OF TATTOO PARLORS.

- (a) **PERMIT REQUIRED.** No person shall engage in the business of tattooing or body piercing in the City of Menasha without a permit, permanently or temporarily, on a profit or non-profit basis.
- (b) **ENFORCEMENT.** The Director of Public Health shall be charged with the enforcement of this Section.
- (c) **FEE.** The Board of Health, with the approval of the Common Council, shall set the permit fees.
- (d) **APPLICATION AND INVESTIGATIONS.** The State of Wisconsin must license any artist operating as a tattooist or any person practicing body piercing. No City permit shall be issued unless the Director of Public Health/Health Officer or City Sanitarian has first inspected the premises and method of operation. Should the permit be denied, the applicant may appeal that decision to the Administration Committee.
- (e) **MINORS.**
  - 1. It shall be unlawful to tattoo any person under the age of eighteen (18) years without written parental consent.
  - 2. It shall be unlawful to body pierce any person under the age of sixteen (16).
  - 3. It shall be unlawful to body pierce any person 16 or 17 years of age without written parental consent.
  - 4. The tattooist or body piercer must maintain such written parental consent for not less than 2 years after the date of the consent.
- (f) **PERMIT, RULES TO BE POSTED.** The permit, together with any rules promulgated by the Director of Public Health/Health Officer pursuant to Subsection (g) and this Ordinance shall be posted at all times in the licensed premises in a conspicuous location.
- (g) **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH.** With the aid of the Board of Health, said officer shall promulgate rules and regulations reasonably necessary to insure the safe and sanitary operation of tattooing or body piercing establishments. The rules and regulations, or amendments, shall be effective upon filing them with the office of City Clerk. Any person aggrieved under the rules and regulations may appeal same to the Board of Health.
- (h) **STATUTORY REFERENCE.** S. 252.23, 252.24(4), 252.245(9), Wis. Stats., HFS Chapter 173.
  - (1) Any establishment required by this section to pay any fee may, in addition to any other penalties, also be required to pay a permit fee equal to twice the amount of the normal fee if the failure is due to a late payment, insufficient funds or account closed checks, or for any other reason the City has not received the proper payment.
  - (2) Any establishment required by this section to pay any fee may, in addition to any other penalties, also be required to pay a permit fee equal to twice the amount of the normal fee if such establishment opens for business without paying the required fee. The Public Health Director, or designee, may also order such establishment to close until the fee is paid.