

Licensed Facility Operation Rules

- A trained operator must be present at all times.
- No one is allowed to tan more than once in a twenty-four hour period. Some salons may choose to increase required appointment intervals.
- There can be no claims of safety or any health benefits resulting from tanning by the salon or operator.
- Each client must sign in at every session and assure compliance with state rules and salon procedures. Information on medications must be made available for each customer to review and update at each session.
- Protective eyewear **MUST** be worn. Tanning privileges are to be suspended if the operator knows the client is not going to wear approved protective eyewear.
- The salon operator must clean and sanitize the bed and dry any wet floor areas between uses—this is not the responsibility of the customer!
- Any videotaping is unauthorized.
- Clean towels must be provided for each customer
- Clean toilet facilities with hot and cold running water to the lavatory must be provided, as well as drinking water.
- Emergency numbers must be posted by an accessible telephone.

Current Licensed Tanning Facilities As of July, 2009



Barry		
Brass Lion		217-335-2359
Sydney's		217-335-3111
Griggsville		
Tantastics		217-833-2369
Kinderhook		
Joann's Salon and Tanning		217-432-5705
Nebo		
Barb's Corner Oven		217-734-2740
Reflections		217-734-2140
Perry		
Tanning Etc.		217-236-3707
Pittsfield		
Lox Hair Design		217-285-9777
Serenity Day Spa		217-285-4000
Sunny Buns		217-285-6633
Sunset Tanning		217-285-4315
Temptations		217-285-4211
Pleasant Hill		
Classic Touch		217-734-2833
Jenny's		217-734-2229

Pike County Health Department
113 East Jefferson
Pittsfield, IL 62363

217-285-4407 ext 117 or 118

Are You Planning to Tan?

New tanning customers are often surprised to find tanning salons are regulated and licensed by the Illinois Department of Public Health. Before any salon is allowed to open for business, the owners and operators must demonstrate their business has satisfactorily addressed required basic health protection issues for their clients. Each salon must adopt adequate procedures to assure clients' physical well being is protected and personal medical issues are treated confidentially.

Excessive tanning and subsequent burning are known contributors to increased potential for skin cancer development and because of this, the Illinois Department of Public Health licenses, regulates and annually inspects tanning businesses. Rules have been developed to minimize the known immediate public health hazards, but these rules also prohibit tanning facilities from advertising their licensure in an effort to ensure the public does not confuse licensing with an approval of tanning as a state-approved safe, personal health choice.

For your personal use, we have developed a checklist of the major rules that must be followed by a licensed tanning salon. Tanning in an unlicensed facility could trigger serious personal safety issues. We have also included a listing of all currently licensed tanning salons in Pike County.

Please contact our office if you have any additional questions or if you suspect your child is tanning in an unlicensed facility.

Sincerely,

Jane Johnson
Director of Environmental Health

Before you Tan

Your first visit to a licensed tanning facility will include the following prior to your actual tanning session:

- Evaluation of your skin type
- A review of the recognized dangers of ultraviolet radiation
- A review of your current medications and an evaluation of their potential for tanning acceleration and/or other common side effects. The salon must contain a listing of medications with potential for tanning acceleration and/or other common side effects, and provide this information to the customer at each session. *Your personal information shall be kept confidential*
- Tanning in a tanning bed may pose additional risk for persons who are pregnant, persons who wear contact lenses, and persons who use certain medications. Some salon owners may require a doctor's permission before tanning when known medical conditions exist.
- Specific instructions on the tanning salon policies and equipment use and safety features.



Who May Tan

- Adults 18 and older -- after having received the required information.
- Children ages 14—17, as long as their parent/guardian physically visits the salon with their child and provides a written consent in the presence of a trained salon operator who is 18 or older.

The IDPH Program Legal Base states that “no minor under fourteen years of age shall be allowed to use a tanning device, either alone or in the presence of another individual”.

A private tanning bed may only be used by the bed owners or their immediate family residing in their private residence. ***Bed owners may not legally allow friends to tan in their private tanning beds.***

Violations of the IDPH Tanning Facilities Program guidelines can be enforced through the nuisance ordinance with convictions resulting in fines of up to \$500 per day per violation.

Tanning Bed Requirements

All tanning areas are to be constructed to maintain personal privacy.

Bulbs must be compatible with the bed. A primary cause of severe burns is improper bulbs. Additionally, a physical barrier must be in place to prevent contact with the bulbs. All tanning beds shall have a label on them which specifies what type of bulbs shall be used and how long the sessions are to be. The instructions on this label are to be followed. No deviations shall be allowed without written approval.

All beds must have a switch within easy reach of the customer that will enable the customer to turn the unit off immediately.

Each tanning bed has a label that includes among other information, a) manufactured date, b) the warning: Danger ultraviolet radiation, c) the type of bulbs to be used, d) recommended distance of exposure, e) maximum exposure time in minutes for the unit, f) the schedule for recommended duration, frequency and spacing of exposures, and g) the name and address of the manufacturer.

Each unit shall have a means of assuring accurate timing of each session.

Adequate ventilation must be provided to maintain an ambient air temperature of less than 100 degrees Fahrenheit.

Floors shall be easily cleanable. Carpeting is not allowed in tanning equipment rooms constructed after 1993.