

Title 15 - Mississippi Department of Health

Part III – Office of Health Protection

Subpart 60 – Professional Licensure

CHAPTER 05 REGULATIONS GOVERNING REGISTRATION OF INDIVIDUALS PERFORMING HAIR BRAIDING

100 GENERAL PROVISIONS

100.01 **LEGAL AUTHORITY** The Mississippi Department of Health is authorized to establish, adopt, and enforce these rules and regulations by virtue of Sections 73-7-31 and 32 of Mississippi Code of 1972, annotated.

100.02 DEFINITIONS

1. **Hair Braiding** shall mean the use of techniques that result in tension on hair strands or roots by twisting, wrapping, weaving, extending, locking or braiding of the hair by hand or mechanical device, but does not include the application of dyes, reactive chemicals, or other preparations to alter the color of the hair or to straighten, curl or alter the structure of the hair.
2. **Board** shall mean the Mississippi State Board of Health.
3. **Department** shall mean the Mississippi Department of Health.
4. **Brochure** shall mean a publication prepared by the Department of Health containing information about infection control techniques that are appropriate for hair braiding in or outside of a salon setting, and containing a self-test with questions on the information contained in the brochure.
5. **Establishment** shall mean the place or premises where a person is engaged in Hair Braiding for compensation.
6. **Business Hours** shall mean the time period from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
7. **Act** shall mean Sections 73-7-31 and 32 et seq. of Mississippi Code of 1972, annotated.

101 REQUIREMENT FOR REGISTRATION

101.01 Any person engaged in Hair Braiding for compensation in the State of Mississippi, and not exempted pursuant to Section 5 of these Rules, shall Register with the Department, in form and substance satisfactory to the Department. The cost of Registration shall be \$25.00.

102 REQUIREMENT FOR SELF TEST

102.01 Any person engaged in Hair Braiding for compensation in the State of Mississippi, and not exempted pursuant to Section 5 of these Rules, shall be required to complete the self test contained within the Brochure and to keep said Brochure at the premises.

103 EXEMPTION

103.01 These Regulations do not apply to cosmetologists, barbers, or wig specialists licensed to practice in Mississippi in their respective fields.

104 INSPECTION

104.01 Representatives of the Department may visit any Establishment in which Hair Braiding is performed at any time during business hours to determine if the brochure and completed self-test are available.

105 VIOLATION OF REGULATIONS

105.01 Any violation of these Regulations shall be referred to the Board of Cosmetology to determine if the individual is in violation of the Cosmetology Licensure Law.

CERTIFICATION OF REGULATION

This is to certify that the above **Regulations Governing Registration of Individuals Performing Hair Braiding** was adopted by the Mississippi State Board of Health on July 13, 2005 to become effective August 12, 2005.

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