LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR PRACTITIONERS AND ESTABLISHMENTS

State law requires individuals practicing barbering, cosmetology, hairstyling, manicuring/pedicuring, esthetics, or electrology to be licensed by the Board of Barbers & Cosmetologists. Additionally, all services **must be performed in a licensed establishment.**

DO I NEED AN ESTABLISHMENT LICENSE?

You do not need your own establishment license if you are:

- Employed by a licensed establishment, or
- Renting a space under the establishment's name.

Note: In these cases, the **establishment owner** is responsible for ensuring everyone in the establishment complies with all Board regulations.

OR

You **must obtain** your own establishment license if you are an **independent operator/owner**, including if:

- You operate within a building that rents individual units (each unit must be separately licensed).
- You hold a city business license under your own business name.
- You provide licensed services in a location not licensed by the Board (e.g., a tattooing, body piercing, scarification or permanent cosmetics establishment, spa, clinic, or medical office not overseen by a licensed medical doctor).

Note: As an owner, **you are responsible** for ensuring your establishment complies with all Board regulations.



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