Positions Statements Related to Cosmetology Establishments
Issued by the Cosmetology Examining Board

CAN LICENSED ESTABLISHMENTS OFFER FISH PEDICURES?

The Wisconsin Statutes and the Wisconsin Administrative Code do not specifically prohibit fish pedicures. However, licensees should review the sanitation requirements set forth in BC 4.02, Wisc Admin Code as well as the animal prohibitions set forth in BC 3.01(10), Wisc Admin Code.

MAY A SALON OFFER THEIR CLIENTS LIQUOR DURING THEIR APPOINTMENT?

The Wisconsin Statutes and the Wisconsin Administrative Code do not specifically prevent a barber or cosmetology establishment from serving liquor to clients or allowing clients to bring in their own liquor. However, state or local liquor laws may impose restrictions on such activities. Furthermore, the Department prohibits employees of the establishment from drinking while on the job and the manager of the establishment has the responsibility of assuring that no intoxicated client becomes a safety risk to employees of the establishment or to other clients. Please see BC 2.03(5), Wisc Admin Code.

CAN A LICENSED ESTABLISHMENT WITH LICENSED BARBERS/COSMETOLOGISTS OFFER VOLUNTEER SERVICES OFF-SITE FOR A CHARITY EVENT?

Except as allowed by Wis. Admin. Code s. BC 2.045, all cosmetology services performed for compensation must be provided in a licensed establishment. If the service is not being performed for compensation (direct or indirect), then the establishment rules do not apply.

WHAT ARE THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR OPERATING AN ESTABLISHMENT IN A NURSING HOME?

Nursing homes are not required to obtain establishment licenses upon fulfillment of the following three conditions

- The residents of the nursing home are unable to visit an off-site salon.
- The salon only services the residents of the home.
- The salon employs licensed barbers or cosmetologists.

Any establishment requires a manager if it is open for 30 or more hours per week. An establishment only needs one manager. This also applies to an establishment within a nursing home. Please see BC 2.045(1), Wisc Admin Code.

**WHAT ARE THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR OPERATING AN ESTABLISHMENT IN AN ASSISTED LIVING CENTER?**

A living center does not directly employ the practitioners who offer services to nursing home residents. Therefore, each licensed practitioner must apply for an individual establishment license. Each licensed practitioner becomes an “owner” of the booth space.

Any licensed establishment requires a manager if it is open for 30 or more hours per week. A licensed establishment only needs one manager. Please see BC 2.045(1) and (2).