

Kentucky Food Safety Branch

Tattoo/Piercing Regulatory Updates

Fees Fact Sheet



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Per [902 KAR 45:065](#) and [902 KAR 45:070](#)

Tattoo Studios & Mobile Tattoo Studios (634s)		Permits / Certifications Valid January 1 – December 31
Studio Permit:	One (1) – four (4) workstations: \$400 Each additional workstation: + \$50	Studio Late Fee: \$100 <i>(if payment not received by Jan. 31st)</i>
Artist Certification:	\$100	Artist Late Fee: \$50 <i>(if payment not received by Jan. 31st)</i>

Temporary Permits		Permits / Certifications Valid January 1 – December 31
Studio Permit:	Each workstation: \$100	
Artist Certification:	\$100	Artist Late Fee: \$50 <i>(if renewing & payment not received by Jan. 31st)</i>

Body Piercing Studios (644s)		Permits / Certifications Valid January 1 – December 31
Studio Permit:	One (1) – four (4) workstations: \$400 Each additional workstation: + \$50	Studio Late Fee: ½ annual inspection fee <i>(if payment not received by Jan. 31st)</i>
Artist Certification:	\$100	Artist Late Fee: \$50 <i>(if payment not received by Jan. 31st)</i>

Ear Piercing Studios (643s)		Permits / Certifications Valid January 1 – December 31
Studio Permit:	One (1) – four (4) workstations: \$200 Each additional workstation: + \$50	Studio Late Fee: ½ annual inspection fee <i>(if payment not received by Jan. 31st)</i>
Artist Certification:	\$100	Artist Late Fee: \$50 <i>(if payment not received by Jan. 31st)</i>

- Studio Permits and Artist Certifications issued prior to the 2019 cutoff date will remain valid until their expiration date in 2020.
- Studio Permits and Artist Certifications issued after the 2019 cutoff date will be valid for the 2020 calendar year (January 01 2020 – December 31 2020).
- Permits and Certifications which expire in mid-2020 and are re-issued in 2020 will be valid for the remainder of 2020.
- All Studios and Artists will be invoiced for 2021 calendar year fees at the end of 2020.