

What does the regulation require?

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

- (4) "Bloodborne pathogen training" means training that meets the requirements established in **29 C.F.R. 1910.1030**.
- (3) A tattoo artist shall not engage in the act of tattooing unless that person has **proof of completion** of bloodborne pathogen training.
- (4) The artist shall **maintain documentation** of completion of bloodborne pathogen training at the studio.
- (6) An applicant for registration shall submit to the local health department in the district or county where the applicant intends to perform tattooing: (a) A completed DFS-303, Application for Certification or Registration; (b) Payment of \$100 registration fee; and (c) **Proof of completion of approved bloodborne pathogen training** as required by subsection (3) of this section

This means that artists must:

- Take a class that complies with the relevant CFR;
- Have valid proof of class completion in order to tattoo/pierce;
- Maintain that proof at the studio, and
- Provide proof of class completion when applying for initial registration as a tattoo artist/ piercer.

What does the CFR require?

[29 C.F.R. 1910.1030](#) requires that bloodborne pathogen training provide the following elements:

- Access to the CFR and an explanation of its contents;
- A general explanation of the epidemiology and symptoms of bloodborne diseases;
- An explanation of the modes of transmission of bloodborne pathogens;
- An explanation of exposure control plans;
- An explanation of the appropriate methods for recognizing tasks that involve exposure;
- Methods to prevent or reduce exposure;
- Information on PPE (personal protective equipment);
- Information on the Hepatitis B vaccine;
- Appropriate actions to take in the event of contact;
- Reporting methods and medical follow-up;
- An explanation of signs and labeling, and
- An opportunity for interactive questions and answers with an instructor.

What courses can be used to meet the new Bloodborne Pathogen training requirement?

Any course, either online or in person, that is OSHA compliant and provides *opportunity for students to pose questions* is sufficient for Tattoo Artists and Piercers. Online training companies should be able to verify whether or not students have access to instructors for subject-matter questions. Many list phone or email support for student questions as part of their curriculum. Please see below for a short list of compliant online training courses. This is not a complete list; always feel free to contact the Kentucky Public Safety Branch at 502-564-4537 if you are unsure that a course meets CFR requirements.

- Bloodborne pathogen training.com (<https://www.bloodbornepathogentraining.com>)
- ProTrainings (https://www.protrainings.com/courses/153-bloodborne-for-body-art?topic_id=2-bloodborne-pathogens)
- OSHA Education Center (<https://www.oshaeducationcenter.com/bloodborne-pathogens-certificate/>)
- Biologix Solutions (<https://blxtraining.com/tattoopiercing-bbp/>)
- HIPAA Exams (<https://www.hipaaexams.com/compliance-training-courses/OSHA-Bloodborne-Pathogens-training>)
- PACIFIC Medical Training (<https://pacificmedicaltraining.com/education-nm-bbp.html>)