



Iowa Board of Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Guidance Related to Governor Reynold's Proclamations & COVID-19

Governor Kim Reynolds has issued a Proclamation of Emergency Disaster. In this Proclamation, Governor Reynolds temporarily suspended a number of regulatory provisions applicable to various professions. The full text of the Proclamation is available on the Governor's website. The Board issues the following guidance regarding the Proclamation:

License Renewal

The Board office is still processing renewals at this time. Licensees are not required to renew for the duration of the Proclamation. Licensees who wish to renew as scheduled are encouraged to renew using the online system.

Continuing Education

Licensees have until June 30, 2021 to complete the continuing education required for license renewal. Licensees may renew prior to completing the required continuing education. In order to complete the renewal application, licensees will need to attest to completion of the required continuing education. Licensees should attest to the completion of the required hours if they have completed, or plan to complete, the required continuing education by June 30, 2021.

Licensees are reminded that all of the required continuing education may be obtained online.

Reopening of Establishments

Cosmetology arts & sciences establishments are allowed to reopen so long as the salon ensures that all customers and providers are wearing masks or a face covering and maintaining at least six feet between providers and customers when performing cosmetology practices or barbering services unless customers and providers closer than six feet apart are wearing face coverings.

Masks are required. Masks may only be removed by the customer during a facial service provided a distance of six feet is maintained between that customer and other customers in the salon.

Salons shall implement reasonable measures under the circumstances of each establishment to ensure social distancing of customers and employees, increased hygiene practices and other public health measures to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19 consistent with the guidance issued by the Iowa Department of Public Health.

The Department's guidance for reopening businesses during this public health emergency, and other guidance for reducing the spread of COVID-19, may be found [here](#).

We strongly encourage all licensees to periodically revisit the Board's website and the Department's website to ensure they are aware of the most up-to-date guidance and information.

Protecting the health and safety of yourself and your clients is of paramount importance. Below is an additional list of resources to assist cosmetology arts and sciences licensees with addressing the COVID-19 crisis. Please note that in the event any of the resources below conflict with any state orders, laws, or regulations, the state orders, laws, or regulations must be followed.

[CDC Practice Preparedness Resource](#)

[CDC Information for Healthcare Providers](#)

Complimentary Industry Resources for Reopening Shops & Salons

Barbicide Certification, Back to Work Plan & Recommendations

<https://barbicide.com>

Milady Training Infection Control Course & Checklist:

<https://www.miladytraining.com/pages/reopen-with-confidence>