

How to Become a Full-Time Licensed Tattoo or Body Piercing Artist in Oklahoma

[Click here for a full-time artist license checklist](#)

You must be at least 18 years of age.

You must submit proof of at least 2 complete years of licensure as an artist from another state.

- * If you do not meet the experience requirements, you must complete the [Apprentice Program](#).

You must submit the following:

- [Application for Body Piercing/Tattooing Artist License](#) (circle the license category at the top)
- [Affidavit of Lawful Presence](#)
- Notarized copy of photo ID
- Notarized copy of birth certificate
- Current Bloodborne Pathogen training
- Current CPR training
- Current First Aid training
- \$250 for the license

Send all paperwork and documentation by mail to:

Oklahoma State Department of Health
Consumer Protection Division
PO Box 268815
OKC, OK 73126

Paperwork may be delivered in person to Oklahoma State Department of Health, 1000 NE 10th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73117

After the 2 years of experience is verified and all of the above documents are received, you will be mailed a Test Letter to take to an [approved testing location](#) to take the Tattoo/Body Piercing competency examination.

You must present the Test Letter issued by the OSDH to an Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education facility.

The testing fee shall be \$200.00, paid directly to Career Tech.

You must receive a minimum score of 70% on the written examination that will include:

- (1) Knowledge of Anatomy, Physiology, and Disease;
- (2) Theory and application of ink;
- (3) Safety and Aseptic Technique;
- (4) Professionalism; and
- (5) Client Consultation Services.

If you do not meet the minimum score of 70%, you can retest up to two (2) times. You must wait at least seven (7) days before retesting. If you are unable to receive a passing score after three (3) attempts, you will be required to enroll or re-enroll in an apprentice program to obtain your license.

Once the passing score is verified, your Tattoo or Body Piercing Artist License will be mailed to you.