

**157.11 Establishment licenses.**

1. An establishment shall not operate unless the owner has obtained a license issued by the department. The owner shall apply to the department on forms prescribed by the board. The department may perform a sanitary inspection of each establishment biennially and may perform a sanitary inspection of an establishment prior to the issuance of a license. An inspection of an establishment may also be conducted upon receipt of a complaint by the department.

2. The application shall be accompanied by the biennial license fee determined pursuant to [section 147.80](#). The license is valid for two years and may be renewed.

3. A licensed school of barbering and cosmetology arts and sciences at which students or licensees practice barbering and cosmetology arts and sciences is exempt from licensing as an establishment.

[C77, 79, 81, §157.11]

[83 Acts, ch 206, §10](#); [91 Acts, ch 268, §431](#); [92 Acts, ch 1205, §9](#); [99 Acts, ch 141, §28](#); [2014 Acts, ch 1106, §17](#); [2023 Acts, ch 99, §38](#); [2025 Acts, ch 140, §6](#)

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