

481—492.3(10A) General provisions.

492.3(1) Tattoo artists and tattoo establishments that fail to meet the criteria of Iowa Code section 10A.531 or these rules are guilty of a serious misdemeanor.

492.3(2) Compliance with Iowa Code section 10A.531 and these rules does not exempt tattoo artists and tattoo establishments from other applicable state or local laws.

492.3(3) Tattooing may only be practiced in facilities that have applied for and received a tattoo establishment permit pursuant to Iowa Code section 10A.531. Tattooing performed in the practice of medicine by a physician, surgeon, osteopathic physician or surgeon, or other qualified licensed or certified nonphysician persons to whom a physician, surgeon, osteopathic physician or surgeon has appropriately delegated pursuant to 653—Chapter 13 does not require a permit pursuant to Iowa Code section 10A.531.

492.3(4) Notwithstanding local zoning codes, where zoning codes exist, tattooing shall not be practiced in a residential dwelling, inclusive of an attached garage. New tattoo establishments must be in commercial buildings where zoning ordinances exist. A waiver will be granted to any tattoo establishment in a residential dwelling if it has been operating continuously since being granted a permit prior to January 1, 2010.

492.3(5) Tattoo establishments are inspected annually.

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