

Community Environmental Health

Proposed 2024 Body Art Fees

TO: All Franklin County Public Health Body Art Business Operators

FROM: Charlie Broschart, REHS

Environmental Health Division Manager

DATE: September 13, 2023

RE: Report of Cost Methodology and 2024 Body Art Fees

Franklin County Public Health has performed the required cost methodology for Body Art fees as specified in Ohio Administrative Code 3701-36-14. This code requires that health departments calculate the cost it takes to operate this program. The cost methodology is based on staff hours in the program, wages and fringe benefits, vehicle costs, and other direct costs, which in turn determine annual fees for Body Art businesses. Health departments are not permitted to charge more than the program costs to operate.

The proposed 2024 fees are posted in the table below. If the Franklin County Board of Health approves and adopts such fees, the fees will appear on your 2024 Body Art business renewal applications that will be sent out in December. It has been recommended to our board to increase fees for 2024 to reduce the operating deficit.

Body Art Fee Categories	2023 Fees	Proposed 2024 Fees
Tattoo	\$225.00	\$279.00
Body Piercing	\$225.00	\$279.00
Combined Tattoo & Piercing	\$225.00	\$296.00
Time-Limited Event	\$100.00	\$148.00

There will be a public hearing for the proposed new fees on October 10, 2023. This hearing will be held at Franklin County Public Health, 280 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, at 8:00 a.m. If you would like to comment on the 2024 fees in person, you are welcome to attend this hearing, or submit written comments to my attention by 5:00 PM on Friday, October 6, 2023. Comments may also be emailed to CharlieBroschart@franklincountyohio.gov and please include "Body Art Fees" in the subject line. Your attendance is entirely voluntary; you are not required to attend or comment.

The final adoption of fees will take place at the November 14, 2023 Board meeting. Should the proposed fees be approved and adopted, this letter shall serve as notification that the fee changes will be effective for the 2024 licensing year. If you have any questions about this hearing or the proposed fees, please contact me at 614-525-3849 or CharlieBroschart@franklincountyohio.gov. Thank you for your time and consideration.