



## Public Health Notice

**This salon operates under a permit from the Boston Public Health Commission. Unsanitary conditions can spread infections and prolonged exposure or high concentrations of some chemicals in salon products can be harmful to salon staff and clients, particularly young children and pregnant women. To insure a safe environment for all:**

- *Salon services shall not be performed on any child under the age of fourteen (14) unless accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Chemicals used in many salon products may cause developmental and reproductive damage to children and developing fetuses*
- *All foot baths, manicure stations, towels, and tools (clippers, etc.) must be cleaned and sanitized between each client*
- *Workers must wear gloves while handling chemicals or performing procedures that have a risk of breaking the skin*
- *Clients should check the condition of the skin on their feet and legs before footbath use. If open sores or skin wounds are present (including insect bites, scratches, scabbed-over wounds, or any condition that weakens the skin barrier), or if the client has shaved or waxed her legs within 24 hours, the client should not use the foot bath.*
- *Complete pedicure or wax after the foot bath soak: Any procedure that risks damage to a client's skin should not be done before soaking feet in the foot spa basin.*
- *The salon must report all infections and significant injuries to the Boston Public Health Commission*
- *The following are examples of single-use items. Any porous or water-absorbable item cannot be cleaned and re-used and MUST be discarded after each client:*
  - *Toe separators*
  - *Flip-flops*
  - *Non-metal nail files*
  - *Pumice stones*
  - *Non-metal cuticle pushers*
  - *Waxing sticks / spatula*

**If you have any questions about these rules, please ask your salon professional or call the Boston Public Health Commission.**

**To report a problem, concern, or violation call the Boston Public Health Commission, Environmental Health Office at 617-534-5965**