



Your Business Licence is Changing!

The City of Edmonton no longer issues Massage Practitioner, Massage Centre or Personal Service Shop (Wholistic) business licences.

When your current business licence expires in 2012, you will have to declare a new category for your business.

Starting January 1, 2012, all businesses and practitioners that manipulate the soft tissues of customers' bodies through touch will need to tell the City which of the following new licence categories best fit their business:

- Body Rub Centre
- Body Rub Practitioner
- Health Enhancement Centre
- Health Enhancement Centre (Independent)
- Health Enhancement Practitioner

There are also new regulations that apply to all of these categories.

These changes will improve Edmonton's liveability and public safety by allowing the City to more effectively regulate businesses that involve close physical contact.

For more information, please visit www.edmonton.ca/businesslicences or call 311.



How to Update Your Business Licence

Please let us know which new licence categories apply to your business. Visit us on the 5th Floor of HSBC Bank Place (10250 – 101 Street) between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Please bring all the required documents for your categories, as listed below.

Body Rub Centre

(A premises or any part thereof where members of the general public attend, are invited to attend, or through which they may arrange an appointment to receive the physical external manipulation of the soft tissues of the human body for a fee, including any manipulation of an adult or erotic nature, but not including a Health Enhancement Centre)

- The full name, date of birth and a Police Information Check for all primary managers, owners, partners, directors and officers if the business is a corporation.
- A Corporate Registry Search from Service Alberta for the corporation.
- The full name, date of birth and a Police Information Check for the owner, if the business is not a corporation.
- A development permit approving the location of the business.

Body Rub Practitioner

(A person who administers or offers to administer the physical external manipulation of the soft tissues of the human body for a fee, including any manipulation of an adult or erotic nature, but not including Health Enhancement Practitioners)

- Two pieces of government-issued identification (at least one with a photo) that show you are at least 18 years of age.
- A Police Information Check from the Edmonton Police Service.
- A list of all names (real and aliases) by which you are known.
- A list of websites used to promote your services.
- The address of the licensed body rub centre where you intend to work.
- Proof that you have completed an information course approved by the City of Edmonton. More information on the course is available at www.edmonton.ca/businesslicences.

Health Enhancement Centre

(A premises or any part thereof where members of the general public attend, are invited to attend, or through which they may arrange an appointment to receive health services, including the physical external manipulation of the soft tissues of the human body, from an accredited professional for a fee)

- A Corporate Registry Search from Service Alberta if the owner is a corporation.
- The full name and date of birth of the owner if not a corporation.
- A complete list of all employees that work as Health Enhancement Practitioners at the business.
- Proof that everyone working as a Health Enhancement Practitioner in the centre is in good standing with one of the recognized associations listed at the end of this notice.
- A development permit approving the location of the business.

Health Enhancement Centre (Independent)

(A premises that operates as a Health Enhancement Centre, but for only one Health Enhancement Practitioner)

- Government-issued photo identification showing the full name and date of birth of the owner.
- Proof that the person working as a Health Enhancement Practitioner in the centre is in good standing with one of the recognized associations listed at the end of this notice.
- A development permit approving the location of the business.

Health Enhancement Practitioner

(An accredited professional who receives a fee to administer health services, including the physical external manipulation of the soft tissues of the human body)

- Government-issued photo identification showing your full name and date of birth.
- Proof that you are in good standing with one of the recognized associations listed at the end of this notice.

Association Contacts

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