



MASSAGE LICENSES – REQUIREMENTS AND FEES

- City ordinance requires that you must be graduated with at least 500 hours of instruction from a recognized school of massage. There are exceptions to this, three (3) years work experience as a massage technician and 300 hours of instruction OR 15 years experience work experience and 200 hours of instruction is required.
- A \$500.00 non-refundable fee payable to the City of Seal Beach Finance Department along with a completed business license application. Attach to this application two passport size pictures of yourself and evidence of your qualifications. This is forwarded to the Police Department to conduct a required background check. Approval of this can take from 30 to 90 days. If you have any questions regarding the application, please call the Finance Department at (562) 431-2527 x1310.
- After submitting your completed application (*including the Police Notification Form*) and paying the fee for a background check, you need to have fingerprinting completed. The fee for this is \$20.00 payable by cash only for the U.S. Fingerprints. Please pick up the live scan form and information from the City of Seal Beach Finance Department.
- A certificate from a medical doctor stating that the proposed massage technician has, within 30 days immediately prior thereto, been examined and found to be free of any contagious or communicable disease.
- Once you have been cleared through the police department, there is a fee of \$100.00 for your massage establishment/technician permit that is renewed annually from the date it is issued.
- If you are an **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR** working at an established business or the **OWNER OF THE ESTABLISHMENT** that has met prior approval for massage therapy, you need to pay a business license fee. July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010 (FY), the fee is \$207.00. However, if you are an **employee** of the establishment, you **are only required** to obtain the massage technician permit.

PLEASE NOTE: You may work only at a licensed massage establishment in the City of Seal Beach. There are no out call services permitted.

We appreciate your patience in the time it takes to process your license...unfortunately, you may not begin work without your permit.