



How can I make sure our salon is using best practices?

This brochure is intended to give you an overview of safety best practices in your salon.

For more specific details to help you better protect your employees and clients, refer to this brochure along with the:

- ✓ Best Management Practices Checklist
- ✓ Best Practices Supplemental Guide

Checklist and Guide can be downloaded at: <http://www.oregonhealthynailsalons.org>

Resources

- Oregon Collaborative for Healthy Nail Salons
<http://www.oregonhealthynailsalons.org/>
- Asian Health & Services Center
<http://www.ahscpx.org/>
- National Healthy Nail and Beauty Salon Alliance
<http://nailsalonalliance.org/>



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Best Practices in the Nail Salon: An Owners Guide to Safety



Licensure and Postings

- You need an original, valid license posted
- All nail technicians need to have proper state licensing
- Make sure you have the OR-OSHA poster posted where employees can see it*
- Keep records of your clients to protect the client and practitioner



*This poster is available for print at <http://www.oro-sha.org/pdf/pubs/1507.pdf>

Chemical Training

- Make sure you have all of the Safety Data sheets for the chemicals that your salon uses, and train staff on how to understand them
- Make sure hazardous product and chemical containers are labeled
- Provide protective gloves
- Have an eyewash station



Sanitation

- Staff should wash their hands before eating, drinking, smoking, and after handling products and working on customers
- Clean the workstation after each client
- Disposable nail products should be used only on one customer

Air Quality

- Your ventilation system should be inspected every year or when you have a problem
- The ventilated air should take the vapors away from the customers and go outside
- Nail products and containers should be closed when not in use.

Biological Hazards

- Employees must know hazards of exposure to blood and other infectious materials and how to prevent these exposures

Ergonomics

- Employees should be given enough breaks to relieve stress from repetitive tasks
- Employees should be able to relax their wrists without having to hold their elbows away from their body
- Make sure furniture is adjusted to minimize body strain