

# Hair & Beauty Based Businesses

## Planning and permits for beauty services

### What you need to know before opening your business

There are many types of beauty based businesses in our region. The following will provide an overview of what permits and registrations you may need for your business, whether it be in a commercial setting or a home based environment.

Regulatory permits could include:

- planning permit
- building permit
- footpath trading permit.

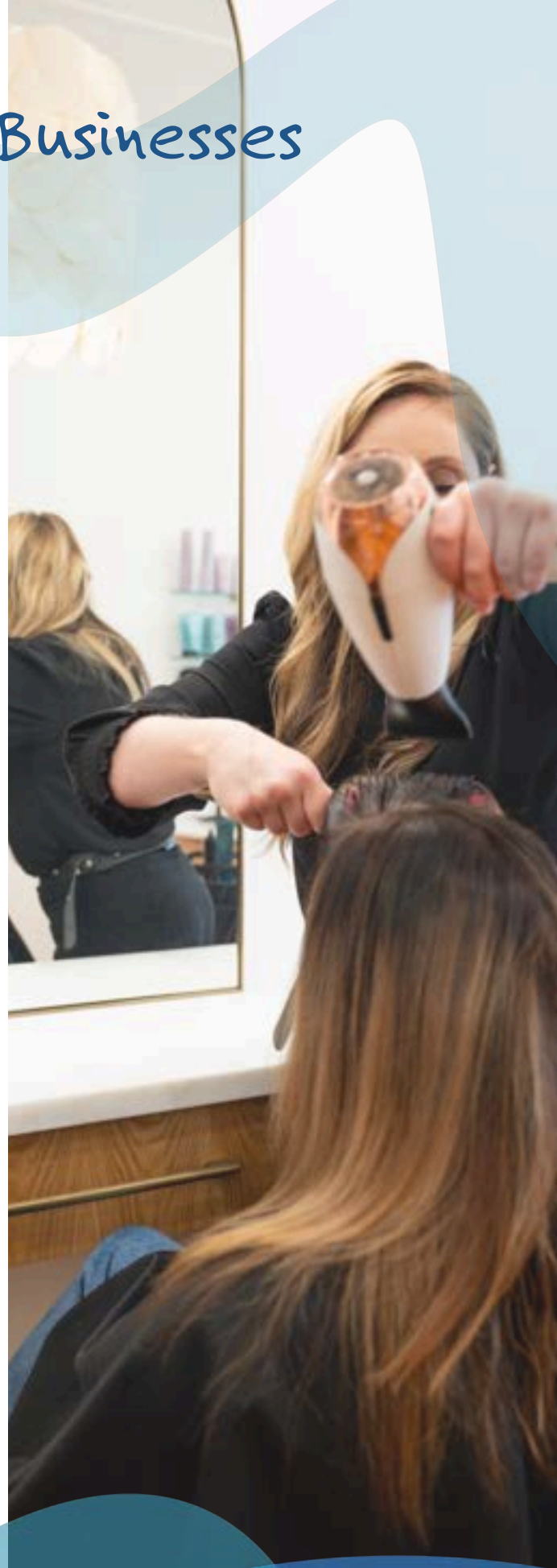
Other approvals might need to be obtained from Council regarding parking and traffic restrictions.

### Health Registration

Beauty based businesses must comply with public health acts and regulations including the Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008, and the Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2019.

You will need a Health Registration if you are planning on undertaking any of the following activities:

- body and ear piercing
- tattooing and cosmetic tattooing
- manicures/pedicures
- waxing/threading
- skin beauty treatments (facials, laser, dry needling, foot spa, acupuncture)
- colonic irrigation
- electrolysis
- blading



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## The Process:

### STEP 1: DO YOUR RESEARCH

Before submitting an application, please ensure that you are familiar with the requirements of operating a hair and beauty based business, including:

- How you will meet the public health requirements
- What registration is required.

### STEP 2: GATHER SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Your application will need to include a floorplan (where applicable) showing:

- hand wash basin(s)
- shelves, benches and tables
- ventilation
- clinical and related waste disposal

### STEP 3: COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE

To complete the online business questionnaire, visit <https://forms.swanhill.vic.gov.au/bpt/>

### STEP 4: COUNCIL ASSESSMENT

After your application is received, all documentation is reviewed internally by Council. Depending on the complexity of your application, you may be invited to a face-to-face 'pre-application' with relevant Council departments. Council will advise which permits you will need for your business.

### STEP 5: OUTCOME

You will be provided with a copy of the outcome of your permit and/or registration application(s). Once you have been issued with the correct permits for your business you can start operating.

### STEP 6: ONGOING SUPPORT

Stay in touch with Council for ongoing business support.



## For More Information

Get in touch with us to discuss your business needs today:

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