

**155A.23 DEFINITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Terms.** For purposes of sections 155A.23 to 155A.36, and unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the words defined in this section have the meanings given them.

Subd. 2. **Board.** "Board" means the Board of Cosmetologist Examiners.

Subd. 3. **Cosmetology.** "Cosmetology" is the practice of personal services, for compensation, for the cosmetic care of the hair, nails, and skin. These services include cleaning, conditioning, shaping, reinforcing, coloring and enhancing the body surface in the areas of the head, scalp, face, arms, hands, legs, feet, and trunk of the body, except where these services are performed by a barber under sections 154.001, 154.002, 154.003, 154.01 to 154.161, 154.19 to 154.21, and 154.24 to 154.26.

Subd. 4. **Cosmetologist.** A "cosmetologist" is any person who, for compensation, performs the personal services, as defined in subdivision 3.

Subd. 5. **Esthetician.** An "esthetician" is any person who, for compensation, performs personal services for the cosmetic care of the skin only.

Subd. 5a. **Individual license.** "Individual license" means a license described in section 155A.25, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2).

Subd. 6. **Licensed practice.** "Licensed practice" means (1) the practice of cosmetology in a licensed salon or (2) the practice of an esthetician or cosmetologist employed in the office of a licensed physician in connection with medical care related to esthology.

Subd. 7. **Nail technician.** A "nail technician" is any person who, for compensation, performs personal services for the cosmetic care of the hands, feet, and nails only.

Subd. 8. **Manager.** A "manager" is any person who conducts, operates, or manages a cosmetology school or salon and who also instructs in or provides any services, as defined in subdivision 3. A school manager must maintain an active salon manager's license.

Subd. 9. **Salon.** A "salon" is an area, room, or rooms employed to offer personal services, as defined in subdivision 3. "Salon" does not include the home of a customer but the board may adopt health and sanitation rules governing practice in the homes of customers.

Subd. 10. **School.** A "school" is a place where any person operates and maintains a class to teach cosmetology to the public for compensation. "School" does not include a place where the only teaching of cosmetology is done by a licensed cosmetologist as part of a community education program of less than ten hours duration, provided that the program does not permit practice on persons other than students in the program, and provided that the program is intended solely for the self-improvement of the students and not as preparation for professional practice.

Subd. 11. **Instructor.** An "instructor" is any person employed by a school to prepare and present the theoretical and practical education of cosmetology to persons who seek to practice cosmetology. An instructor must maintain an active operator or manager's license in the area in which the instructor holds an instructor's license.

Subd. 12. **Person.** The term "person" may extend and be applied to bodies politic and corporate, and to partnership and other unincorporated associations.

Subd. 13. **Threading.** "Threading" is a method of removing hair from the eyebrows, upper lip, or other body parts by using cotton thread to pull hair from follicles. Threading does not include the use of chemicals or any type of wax. Threading may include the use of (1) over-the-counter astringents, gels, and powders; and (2) tweezers and scissors incidental to threading.

**History:** *1981 c 357 s 33; 1983 c 289 s 99,114 subd 1; 1984 c 655 art 1 s 92; 1993 c 204 s 8; 2002 c 387 s 12,13; 2004 c 269 art 3 s 24-28; 2005 c 10 art 1 s 26; 2005 c 27 s 3,9; 2009 c 78 art 6 s 26; 2010 c 215 art 8 s 5; 2013 c 85 art 5 s 20-22,49; 2014 c 162 s 2; 2014 c 169 s 1*