These brief descriptions of Massage Enterprise requirements are taken from the Sacramento County Code sections indicated. The information is summarized and the complete text can be found in the County Code, which is available from our office, and is included in the Massage Provider packet provided to licensees.

All Massage Providers who own Massage Establishments (commercial locations) or who are self-employed independent contractors licensed from home, must apply for a Special Business License in order to provide massage services in Sacramento County, and will require a General Business License if their business address is in the County. (4.36.040, 4.06.005.)

Massage Providers and Massage Managers who are not self-employed and not certified by the California Massage Therapy Council (CAMTC) must:

- provide proof of 500 hours of massage-related education, (4.36.160 (A)) except as provided in 4.36.015 or 4.36.161),
- maintain liability insurance in the amount of $1,000,000.00 ($1 million) (4.36.160 (B)) and
- maintain a current Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation certificate (4.36.160 (C)). Online training is not accepted.

Special Business License applicants who are not certified by the CAMTC must be fingerprinted and photographed by the Sheriff’s Department as part of their background review. (4.36.060, 4.36.120.)

Massage Providers who are certified by the California Massage Therapy Council (CAMTC) must:

- provide their CAMTC certification number. (4.36.055 (E).)

Any questions regarding these requirements should be directed to the Special Investigations Unit of the Sheriff’s Department at 874-5848.

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