



Maricopa County

Planning & Development Department

Department Directive

Department Directive:
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Purpose: To clarify the applicability of the Adult Business Ordinance to massage establishments.

Reference: Not applicable.

Policy/Procedure:

It is the opinion of the County Attorney's Office that since no adult services as described in the ordinance are ordinarily offered or allowed at these venues, massage establishments are exempt from the Adult Business Ordinance (ABO).

Massage establishments will be considered exempt from compliance with any provision of the ABO.

These businesses will no longer be required to obtain Adult Business Licenses and their employees will no longer be required to obtain provider or manager permits. Any complaints received of inappropriate activity at these establishments will be forwarded to the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office for consideration.