



CAMTC CERTIFICATE HOLDERS AND APPLICANTS - UNDERSTAND VIOLATIONS OF CAMTC'S LAW -

SUMMARY OF COMMON ACTIONS THAT VIOLATE CAMTC'S LAW

This document is intended to provide a list of some common actions that violate CAMTC's law, but this is not, nor is it intended to be, a comprehensive list. For a comprehensive list of legal obligations and violations, please see Business and Professions Code sections 4600 et. seq., which can be found on CAMTC's website. Every case is evaluated on a case-by-case basis including the totality of the circumstances. The mere fact that conduct is not listed here does not mean that CAMTC can't take action on it. Likewise the fact that something is listed here doesn't mean that CAMTC is required to or will take action on it.

THE FOLLOWING CONDUCT VIOLATES THE MASSAGE THERAPY ACT

- Touching or massaging a client's genitals or anus for any reason;
- Touching or massaging female breasts without first having both the client's agreeing in writing and a referral from a licensed California health care provider, like a Doctor or Nurse;
- Failing to properly drape a client so that genitals, anus, or female breasts are exposed;
- Prostitution related acts, such as agreeing to provide sex acts for money, obtaining people to engage in prostitution, receiving money for prostitution acts others are engaged in, or owning or managing a massage business where acts of prostitution occur.
- Lewd conduct such as exposing yourself to clients or touching yourself in front of a client.
- Posting sexually suggestive ads for massage services. This means ads that suggest sex, such as:
 - Ads with women in bikinis, lingerie, underwear, bent over, or with cleavage showing;
 - Words that suggest that sex acts will take place, like "Happy Ending."
- Engaging in sex acts on the premises of a massage business or while massaging someone for compensation. Even if both parties agree to engage in the sex act (for example a married couple), it is a violation of the law if it happens at a massage business or while providing a massage for money.
- Failing to properly supervise massage providers on the premises of a massage business.
- Convictions for acts that are substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a certificate holder. This includes infractions, municipal code violations, misdemeanors, and felonies for things like:
 - Prostitution, sexual assault, multiple instances of petty theft, violent acts, and acts that happen at a massage business or while providing a massage (such as disturbing the peace)
 - Being required to register as a sex offender in California or another state.
 - Having your local permit or business license denied, revoked, suspended, fined, or acted against or getting an administrative or civil citation related to massage.
- Lying on your application or omitting all information requested on the application.
- Failing to update CAMTC and notify of things like new convictions, administrative or civil citations, arrests with charges filed for prostitution and other sexually related crimes, work or home address changes.
- Dressing inappropriately while visible to clients in a massage establishment. This means clothing that is transparent, see-through, or substantially exposes undergarments; or exposes breasts, buttocks, or genitals; or in swim attire if not providing a water based modality approved by CAMTC.
- Failing to include name and certificate number in ads for massage services.
- Failing to notify CAMTC and update address or email address within 30 days of a change.