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**NOTICE TO TANNING FACILITY OWNERS  
REGARDING CLASSROOM TRAINING FOR OPERATORS**

As per the State of Louisiana Tanning Facility Regulation Act of 1990, all registrants of tanning salons must certify that equipment operators working in their facilities have successfully completed a formal training course.

The definition of “formal training” as written in the regulation is as follows:

***Formal training—a course of instruction approved by the department and presented under formal classroom conditions by a qualified expert possessing adequate knowledge and experience to offer a curriculum, associated training, and certification testing pertaining to and associated with the correct use of tanning equipment.***

Correspondence courses are not recognized and will not be accepted in the state of Louisiana.

Program coordinators for the Louisiana State Food and Drug Unit are on alert. If certificates of training are from a correspondence or online course, the violation will be noted and a letter documenting said violation will be sent to the facility’s owner, after which the operator in question will be required to attend the next available classroom training in Louisiana. If the facility fails to comply, appropriate enforcement measures will be instigated, with the cooperation of OPH Legal. Please reference Tanning Regulations (49:8.0220[1,2,3]) and LSA R.S. 40: §2714 (H,I, J). It behooves all registrants to comply with these requirements, as full compliance may reduce legal liability in the event of an accidental injury or death.

**Please note that it is expressly forbidden for clients to tan when a certified operator is not present:**

**§2713. Operational requirements**

A. A tanning facility ***shall have an operator present during operating hours***. The operator must be sufficiently knowledgeable of the correct operation of the tanning devices used at the facility to inform and assist each customer in the proper use of the tanning devices.

Should you have any questions on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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The Following List Comprises All Of The Approved Training Class Trainers:

*(Please note as per the above information classroom training only is accepted in the state of Louisiana. The information provided below is to assist you and your staff in scheduling classroom training with the approved providers.)*

**SUNTANNING ASSOCIATION FOR EDUCATION (SAE)**  
**P.O. BOX 1181 / GULF BREEZE, FL 32562-1181**  
**(850) 384-7325, 1-800-536-8255, FAX (801) 348-0571, CELL (850) 554-4555**  
**MR. PAUL GERMEK**  
**email: [suntannedu@gmail.com](mailto:suntannedu@gmail.com)**  
**Course listing located here: <http://www.suntannedu.com/>**

*The following trainers offer classes indirectly via approved train-the-trainer programs. The in-state trainer must supply a copy of his/her certification to each facility to which he/she/they provide training.*

**TANNING DYNAMICS**  
**202 VON HOLLEN DRIVE**  
**GREENVILLE, SC 29617**  
**1-888-826-7297**  
**MR. STEVE CHANEY**  
**email: [steve@tanningdynamics.com](mailto:steve@tanningdynamics.com)**

**SMART TAN NETWORK**  
**3101 PAGE AVENUE**  
**JACKSON, MI 49203**  
**ATTN: CUSTOMER SUPPORT**  
**1-800-652-3269**  
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