

To Whom it may concern,

My name is Roseanna Pollina,

I have been a licensed and practicing Cosmetologist for over 37years. I am the Educational Director at Mitsu Sato Hair Academy and a practitioner in Mitsu Sato Salon Professionals. During my career I have been afforded the opportunity to provide all the services that my License allows. One of those services that I provide is SUGAR WAXING. As a sugar waxer, it is my professional opinion that removing “sugaring” from being part of Cosmetology would be a travesty. Definitely, NOT in the best interest or safety of the public. I have been sugar waxing for over 30years.

Sugaring to temporarily remove unwanted hair follows all the same sanitation and disinfection practices required by Kansas State Board of Cosmetology for using any depilatory wax that is currently on the market. The chance of Contamination while using sugar wax is higher with sugaring because when it is used for performing Brazilians, because the provider is using the same “sugar ball” the whole time. The same “blood-borne” issues occur during a Brazilian, due to pulling the hair out of the hair follicle.

When cooked to “hard ball” temperature on a candy thermometer has the same consistency as honey wax. When heated. Both can be used to remove hair with non-woven strips or muslin. When cooked further to “hard crack” the sugar can be used as a ball for coarse hair and intimate waxing.

When not used properly, contraindications such as bruising and tearing of the skin can happen. Also lifting of the skin can happen, which can cause infections, scarring, and hyperpigmentation on Fitzpatrick skin tones 3 and darker can occur. Folliculitis, histamine reactions, as well as possibly aggravating skin conditions can occur. Bacteria and fungus can occur when not properly stored.

Milady and Pivot Point Esthetics and Cosmetology books are used as guidelines to help train students and professionals to wax with all wax removal processes to safely remove hair. Without the proper understanding and training, the public will be at a much greater risk.

In my professional opinion is that “sugaring” along with all forms of hair removal should remain under the oversight of Kansas State Board of Cosmetology. And remain a part of licensing for Cosmetology.

Thank you,

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If the committee would like a demonstration of “sugaring” services. I could cook the sugar wax and perform the services that can be provided.