

**PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH
NOTIFICATION
KARACHI, THE 18TH MAY, 2018**

NO.PAS/LEGIS-PB-09/2018- The Sindh Regulation of Aesthetic and Laser Treatment Bill, 2018 having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of Sindh on 17th April, 2018 and assented to by the Governor of Sindh on 12th May, 2018 is hereby published as an Act of the Legislature of Sindh.

THE SINDH REGULATION OF AESTHETIC AND LASER TREATMENT ACT, 2018

SINDH ACT NO. XXIII OF 2018

**AN
ACT**

To provide for regulations of laser and aesthetic treatments.

Preamble

Whereas it is imperative to provide provisions to ensure regulations regarding laser and aesthetic skin treatments in establishments providing treatments.

Whereas it is necessary to safeguard public from amateur and fraudulent practices that can result in permanent disfiguration and injury.

It is hereby enacted as follows:

Short title, extent and commencement.

1.(1) This Act may be called **The Sindh Regulation of Aesthetic and Laser Treatment Act, 2018.**

(2) It extends to the whole of the Sindh.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

Definitions

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires;

- a) **‘Aesthetic Procedure/s’** means any aesthetic procedure which may use any injectable, invasive, non-invasive surgical cosmetic, corrective procedures. Alongwith laser, light, radiofrequency, ultrasound devices;
- b) **‘Medical Laser’** means medical devices that use precisely focused light sources to treat or remove, enhances skin, hair, mucous and nails;
- c) **‘Medical Professional’** means a qualified post-graduate dermatologist or plastic surgeon who is licensed by Pakistan Medical and Dental Council to perform laser and aesthetic practice;
- d) **‘Treatment Centres’** means, clinics and any other medical centre/ facility claiming to provide above mentioned aesthetic treatments involving use of aesthetic procedures;

Regulations for use of laser devices.

3. No medical laser treatments shall be allowed to take place in any treatment centre unless it fulfils following conditions,

- a) All the procedures involving laser device use shall take place with on-site medical supervision.

- b) All procedures shall be performed by a qualified post-graduate dermatologist/ plastic surgeon licensed by Pakistan Medical and Dental Council for the above mentioned procedures.
- c) All procedures shall take place at the establishment procured for such purpose.
- d) Any medical or nursing staff assisting, handling or operating equipment, can do so only under the supervision of a qualified medical professional of the related speciality.
- e) Individuals undergoing laser or any other aesthetic procedure shall be made aware of the complications and risks of undergoing procedures.
- f) Establishment offering laser or aesthetic treatments shall ensure presence of all laser safety parameters to prevent any health hazard caused by the malfunction of laser machines or aesthetic devices.

Regulations for the sale of laser and aesthetic treatments equipment.

4. Sale of aesthetic equipment, intense pulsed light (IPL) lasers, injectable, radiofrequency, light, and cooling devices for skin/hair treatment shall be strictly subject to following,

- a) Only a medical professional i.e. post-graduate dermatologist/ plastic surgeon, trained and licensed and registered by the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council for said procedures, can apply for the purchase of cosmetic lasers.
- b) A medical professional i.e. post-graduate dermatologist/plastic surgeon shall present Pakistan Medical and Dental Council registration or license proving the above condition at the time of purchase/order.
- c) An affidavit shall be signed by the buyer that the aesthetic medical devices, radiofrequency, ultrasound, injectable, light sources and lasers shall only be used in compliance with the provision of this Act and shall not be re-sold in a way violating the provisions of this Act.

Penalty.

5. Whoever violates the provision of section of this Act shall be liable to following penalties:

- a) License/registration shall be terminated.
- b) Treatment centre of the offender shall be sealed.
- c) A fine of up to Rs. **500,000/=** or other but not less than Rs. **100,000/=**.
- d) Imprisonment up to a period of **Six months** with or without fine of above mentioned amount.

Enforcement of the provision of this Act.

6. The provisions of this Act shall be enforced by the Department of Health, Sindh.

BY ORDER OF THE SPEAKER
PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH
G.M.UMAR FAROOQ
SECRETARY
PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH