

Republic of the Philippines
Quezon City
CITY COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. 9309, S-72

ORDINANCE

REGULATING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF SAUNA BATH,
TURKISH OR SWEDISH STEAM BATH-MASSAGE PARLORS, OR THE LIKE
WITHIN QUEZON CITY, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION
THEREOF.

Introduced by Councilors Andres V. Genito, Jr.
and Honorio M. David.

Be it ordained by the Council of Quezon City
in session assembled:

SECTION 1. No sauna bath, turkish or swedish steam bath
massage parlors, or the like, shall be established and
operated in Quezon City without a Mayor's Permit having
been first secured from the City Mayor and the correspon-
ding license fee paid to the City Treasurer, as follows:

- 1. For every massage cubicle with the
corresponding massage table-

Mayor's Permit Fee	- - - - -	2.00 p. a.
License Fee	- - - - -	100.00 p. a.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that such business establishments
may be allowed to operate only within B-1 Zones under
under the existing Zoning Map of Quezon City, and PROVIDED,
FINALLY, that no such establishments with less than fifteen
(15) massage cubicles shall be allowed to operate, saving
those that are already existing and operating at the time
of the effectivity of this Ordinance.

All hotels, barbershops, beauty parlors, and gymnasium,
providing massage and sauna and steam bath facilities shall
be covered by this Ordinance except that in the case of
beauty parlor and gymnasium where the massagists and/or
attendants and the customers are of the same sex, said
establishments shall not be within the purview of this
ordinance.

SEC. 2. No massage parlor shall be constructed, estab-
lished or maintained in Quezon City without the correspond-
ing sauna or steam bath facilities or the like also being
offered to the customers. The operation of massage parlors
licensed under this ordinance shall at all times be the
responsibility of a duly registered physiotherapist or

SEC. 3. All massagists or attendants in massage parlors hereinabove mentioned shall be required to secure a Mayor's Permit of ₱50.00 per annum. As a condition precedent to the issuance of the Mayor's Permit said massagists or attendants shall be required to:

- a) submit a certificate of proficiency issued by a duly licensed physician or physiotherapist stating that the massagist or attendant concerned has successfully completed a training course of at least two (2) weeks;
- 2) secure a police clearance from the Quezon City Police Department; and
- 3) secure a health certificate from the Quezon City Health Department. The health certificate shall only be issued upon submission of the following requirements:
 1. complete physical examination
 2. chest X'ray or fluoroscopy examination
 3. urine and blood examination
 4. O.D.T. Innoculation
 5. Venereal disease clearance as may be required

SEC. 4. The owner or operator of the business establishments covered by this Ordinance shall see to it that they are operated strictly for the health improvement of their customers. It shall be their duty to maintain a high degree of decency and orderliness in their establishments. To this end, no massage parlor licensed under this Ordinance shall be allowed to operate before 6:00 A. M. and after 12:00 midnight each day, and in no case shall special private massage compartment or V.I.P. room with door and/or private compartment with bath be permitted. Violation of this particular provision shall be sufficient ground for the summary closure of the establishment and the revocation of its permit. The partitions between cubicles should be made of light wooden materials with one foot clearance from the floor and at least six (6) feet from the ceiling toward the ceiling. The cubicle shall have no door but shall have an entrance with sliding translucent curtain of light color materials.

SEC. 5. All customers or guests shall not be allowed to carry firearms or deadly weapons inside the sauna bath parlors. All firearms or deadly weapons in their possession must be deposited or surrendered to the management for safe-keeping and for this purpose a log book shall be provided for the registration thereof. For refusing to register all weapons, the customer shall not

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SEC. 6. All attendants and/or massagists or sauna, turkish or swedish steam bath-massage parlors while inside the establishment shall at all times be in decent and modest uniform.

SEC. 7. To ensure adequate lighting facilities, each cubicle of the sauna bath parlor shall be provided with a five watt white bulb.

SEC. 8. Violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall in addition to the revocation and cancellation of the permit granted, be punishable by a fine of not less than ₱100.00 nor more than ₱200.00 or imprisonment of not less than one (1) month or by both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court. If the violation is committed by a juridical person, the person in charge of the business thereof shall liable therefor.

SEC. 9. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED August 22, 1972.

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Councilor
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ATTESTED:

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City Secretary

APPROVED: Dec. 11, 1972

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