



**Informal Interpretation Report  
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**Section** Table 403.3 Note h

**Question:**

Is it the intent of note h in table 403.3 that  
  
all nail stations in beauty salons be equipped  
  
with a source capture ventilation system?

**Answer**

Yes, footnote (h) reads "For nail salons, the required exhaust shall include ventilation tables or other systems that capture the contaminants and odors at their source and are capable of exhausting a minimum of 50 cfm per station."

**Commentary:**

This footnote specifically references ventilation tables. These tables are equipped with an exhaust connection and some type of capture/containment area to minimize the amount of odors that may escape into the general salon air.

Further, a duct needs to be extended to the floor, near the feet, to pick up fumes from pedicures.

Other methods acceptable to the building official may be approved as well.

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