

Electrologists are licensed and regulated in California by the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology. The Board works to ensure that electrologists follow state law and infection control standards.



For questions, comments, or complaints,  
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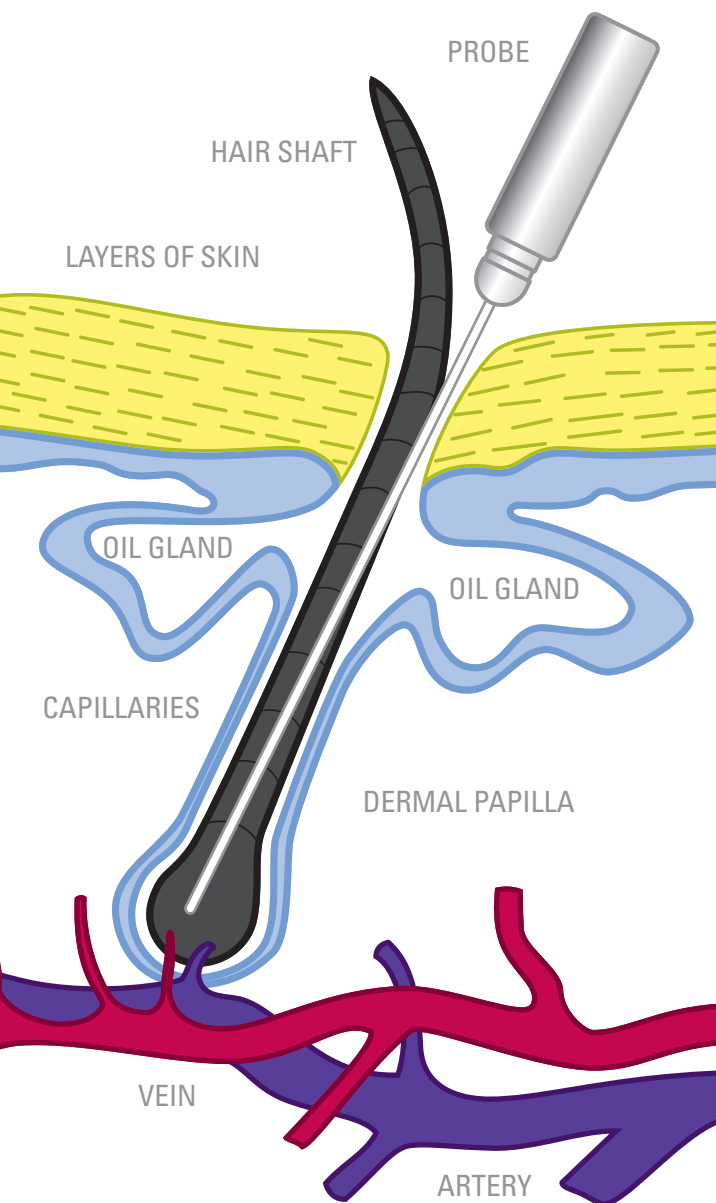
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# Electrology

Keep it sanitary. Keep it safe.



## { HOW ELECTROLOGY WORKS }



During the electrolysis procedure, a very thin metal probe is inserted into a hair follicle. A machine sends a tiny current to the probe to destroy the hair at the root.

HERE ARE SOME REMINDERS ABOUT

# ELECTROLOGY SAFETY

Electrolysis is the permanent removal of unwanted facial and/or body hair by the use of a tiny needle or probe that conducts electric current.

### TIPS TO REMEMBER IF YOU HAVE ELECTROLYSIS PERFORMED

- After the service, your skin will usually be slightly red and may be irritated for several hours.
- If you have severe symptoms (e.g. scabbing or blistering), contact your doctor immediately.
- Confirm that the service you are getting is actually electrolysis and not simply electronic tweezing, which may not permanently remove the hair.

### IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AN ELECTROLOGIST CANNOT:

- Use a needle to cauterize spider veins
- Perform any sort of laser treatment
- Administer medication(s) for any reason

In California, electrolysis services may be legally performed only by state-licensed electrologists in state-licensed establishments.

### Mission of the Board

Ensuring the health and safety of California consumers by promoting ethical standards and by enforcing the laws of the beauty industry.