



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Donald L. Shumway
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Dear Mr. Roat:

Thank you for contacting the Department of Health and Human Services regarding your request for any state regulations addressing whether or not shoes are required in public establishments.

There are no state laws in existence that address requiring shoes in a public place; however, communities do have the authority by law to pass local health ordinances, which may address this issue at the local regulation level. Also, public facilities often post a sign such as this at their own discretion.

Louise Hannan, the Health Officer Liaison, can be reached by mail at the Office of Community and Public Health, Bureau of Health Risk Assessment, 6 Hazen Dr., Concord NH, 03301-6527 or by telephone at (603) 271-4781 should you need further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard A. Chevrefils".

Richard A. Chevrefils
Assistant Commissioner