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(a) A licensed dentist may not represent to the public that the licensee is a specialist in any field of specialized dental practice unless identified as a specialist in that field by the Board.

(b) If a licensed dentist requests, the Board shall determine whether the licensee qualifies for Board identification as a specialist.

(c) The Board may approve any area of specialty recognized by the Commission on Dental Accreditation or its successor organization.

(d) (1) The Board shall adopt rules and regulations concerning application procedures, fees, and required qualifications for identification as a specialist.

(2) The qualifications required of applicants for Board identification as a specialist may include:

(i) The requirements established by various specialty certifying boards of the American Dental Association;

(ii) Education;

(iii) Professional experience; and

(iv) Whether, before July 1, 1979, the applicant represented to the public, in an ethical manner, that the applicant was a specialist.

(e) In approving additional specialties, the Board may consider those fields recognized and approved by the American Dental Association.

(f) The Board is a depository for and the arbitrator of the specialty qualification standards of the American Dental Association in this State.

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