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(a) A license expires on a date set by the Board, unless the license is renewed for an additional term as provided in this section.

(b) A license may not be renewed for a term longer than 2 years.

(c) (1) At least 3 months before a license expires, the Board shall send a renewal notice to the licensee, by:

(i) First–class mail to the last known mailing address of the licensee; or

(ii) Electronic means to the last known electronic address of the licensee.

(2) A renewal notice shall state:

(i) The date on which the current license expires;

(ii) The date by which the renewal application must be received by the Board for the renewal to be issued and mailed before the license expires; and

(iii) The amount of the renewal fee.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, before a license expires, the licensee periodically may renew it for an additional term, if the licensee:

(1) Otherwise is entitled to be licensed;

(2) Pays to the Board a renewal fee set by the Board; and

(3) Submits to the Board:

(i) A renewal application on the form that the Board requires; and

(ii) Satisfactory evidence of compliance with any continuing education requirement set under this subtitle for license renewal.

(e) In addition to any other qualifications and requirements established by the Board, the Board may establish continuing education or competency requirements as a condition to the renewal of licenses under this section.

(f) Subject to subsection (k) of this section, the Board shall renew the license of each licensee who meets the requirements of this section.

(g) If a licensee fails to provide satisfactory evidence of compliance with any continuing education requirements set under this subtitle for license renewal, the Board shall place the licensee on inactive status.

(h) (1) The Board shall place a licensee on inactive status and record the inactive status in the Board's database and on the Board's Web site, if the licensee submits to the Board:

(i) An application for inactive status on the form required by the Board;

(ii) If applicable, documentation of a medical condition that the Board determines will prevent the licensee from practicing electrology; and

(iii) If applicable, the inactive status fee set by the Board.

(2) The Board shall reactivate the license of an individual who is on inactive status and record the status of the licensee as active in the Board's database and on the Board's Web site, if the individual:

(i) Complies with any continuing education requirement established by the Board for this purpose;

(ii) If applicable, submits documentation satisfactory to the Board that the medical condition for which the inactive status was granted no longer exists;

(iii) If applicable, pays to the Board a reactivation fee set by the Board; and

(iv) Is otherwise entitled to be licensed.

(3) If the individual has been on inactive status for 5 years or more, before the Board may reactivate the license, the individual must pass an examination approved by the Board.

(4) (i) If a licensee is granted inactive status because of a medical condition, the Board may not charge a fee to place the licensee on or remove the licensee from inactive status.

(ii) If a licensee is granted inactive status because of a medical condition, the inactive status:

1. May not be considered a disciplinary action under § 8–6B–18 of this subtitle; and

2. May not be reported to any certifying entity, employer, or insurance company as a disciplinary action.

(i) The Board, in accordance with its rules and regulations, shall reinstate the license of an individual who has failed to renew the license for any reason if the individual:

(1) Is otherwise entitled to be licensed;

(2) Complies with any continuing education requirement established by the Board for this purpose;

(3) Pays to the Board a reinstatement fee set by the Board;

(4) For an expired license or lapsed license that has been expired or lapsed for more than 1 year, completes a criminal history records check in accordance with § 8–303 of this title; and

(5) Applies to the Board for reinstatement of the license within 5 years after the license expires.

(j) (1) The Board may not reinstate the license of an electrologist or an electrology instructor who fails to apply for reinstatement of the license within 5 years after the license expires.

(2) The electrologist or electrology instructor may become licensed by meeting the current requirements for obtaining a new license under this subtitle.

(k) (1) (i) Beginning January 2011, the Board shall begin a process requiring criminal history records checks on selected annual renewal applicants as determined by regulations adopted by the Board in accordance with § 8–303 of this title.

(ii) An additional criminal history records check shall be performed every 12 years thereafter.

(2) On receipt of the criminal history record information of a licensee forwarded to the Board in accordance with § 8–303 of this title, in determining whether to renew a license, the Board shall consider:

(i) The age at which the crime was committed;

(ii) The circumstances surrounding the crime;

(iii) The length of time that has passed since the crime;

(iv) Subsequent work history;

(v) Employment and character references; and

(vi) Other evidence that demonstrates that the licensee does not pose a threat to the public health or safety.

(3) The Board may not renew a license if the criminal history record information required under § 8–303 of this title has not been received.

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