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(1) The Health Licensing Office will notify persons on the agency's official rulemaking mailing list by postcard, electronic mail, fac-

simile, or printed copy before the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any permanent rule.

(2) A copy of proposed rules and permanently filed rules shall be posted on the agency's Web site.

(3) Persons may obtain a printed copy upon written request and payment of appropriate fee for copies of agency documents.

(4) The Health Licensing Office shall:

(a) Publish notice of the adoption, amendment, or repeal in the Secretary of State's Bulletin referred to in ORS 183.360 at least 21 days prior to the effective date.

(b) Mail such notice to persons on the Health Licensing Office's mailing list established pursuant to ORS 183.335(7) at least 28 days before the effective date of the rule.

(c) Mail or deliver such notice to the Associated Press and Capitol Building Press Room.

(d) Mail notice to certain legislators at least 49 days before the effective date of the rule, pursuant to ORS 183.335(1)(d).

(e) Mail such notice to the following persons, organizations, or publications listed according to the agency's programs, where the agency determines that such persons, organizations, or publications would have an interest in the subject matter of the proposal:

(A) Board of Athletic Trainers:

(i) Oregon Medical Association;

(ii) Oregon Public Health Association;

(iii) Health Services Council;

(iv) Oregon Athletic Trainers Society;

(v) National Athletic Trainers Association;

(vi) Emergency Medical Technicians;

(vii) Oregon School Activities Association;

(viii) Board of Medical Examiners;

(ix) Physical Therapist Licensing Board;

(x) Oregon Physical Therapy Association.

(B) Board of Cosmetology:

(i) National Cosmetology Association of Oregon;

(ii) Association of Oregon Cosmetology Colleges;

(iii) Oregon State Department of Education, Private Career Schools and Veterans Education;

(iv) United Food and Commercial Workers Union, Barbering and Cosmetology Division;

(v) Oregon beauty industry trade papers and newsletters (upon request);

(vi) Oregon licensed career schools of barbering, hair design, facial and/or nail technology.

(C) Board of Denture Technology:

(i) Gray Panthers;

(ii) United Seniors of Oregon;

(iii) Oregon State Denturist Association;

(iv) Oregon Dental Association;

(v) Oregon Dental Hygienists Association;

(vi) Oregon Dental Assistants Association;

(vii) Oregon Association of Dental Labs;

(viii) Oregon Board of Dentistry;

(ix) Oregon State Department of Education, Private Career Schools and Veterans Education;

(x) Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development;

(xi) Oregon Public Health Association;

(xii) Oregon State Public Interest Research Group;

(D) Board of Direct Entry Midwifery:

(i) Oregon Midwifery Council;

(ii) Oregon Association of Naturopathic Physicians;

(iii) Chiropractic Association of Oregon;

(iv) Oregon Pediatric Society;

(v) Oregon Medical Association;

(vi) Oregon Chapter of the American College of Nurse-Midwives;

(vii) Oregon Chapter of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecologists;

(viii) Oregon Public Health Association;

(ix) Oregon Academy of Family Physicians;

(x) Oregon Nurses Association;

(xi) Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems;

(xii) Oregon Primary Care Association; and

(xiii) Health Services Council.

## AGENCY GENERAL ADMINISTRATION RULES

## 331-010-0000

## Definitions

Unless the context requires otherwise, the following definitions shall apply to OAR chapter 331.

(1) “Agency” means the Health Licensing Office, also referred to as the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(2) “Authorization” means the official document, i.e. certificate, license, permit or registration, issued by the Health Licensing Office as prima facie evidence of the right to practice in accordance with the laws and rules of the regulatory programs administered by the agency.

(3) “Director” means, pursuant to ORS 676.610, the individual who has sole responsibility for the administrative, fiscal, human resource and regulatory functions of the agency.

(4) “Health Licensing Office” means the agency assigned to carry out the administrative, programmatic and daily operations, and regulatory functions of the Boards, Councils and Programs listed in OL 2003, Ch. 547, Section 6.

(5) “Practitioner” means the individual issued a certificate, license, permit or registration by the agency who has received authorization within their defined field of practice.

(6) “Program” means the office and staff designated to carry out the daily functions of the Body Piercing Licensing Program as defined in ORS 690.500–690.570; or as the context requires, means the collective boards, councils and programs administered by the agency.

(7) “Regulatory authority” means a recognized governing body of a city, county, state or country that has been charged with the responsibility for overseeing the administration and regulation of an occupation or profession.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547 Sec. 6

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547 Sec. 6

Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

## 331-010-0010

## Fees

(1) Payments made to the Health Licensing Office should be made for the exact amount of the transaction.

(2) Transactions conducted with the agency where either the payment or required documentation is incomplete or incorrect may be returned to the payer for correction before being processed by the agency.

(3) Fees will be applied as directed by the applicant, authorization holder or payer. Fees misapplied may be corrected by written request specifying the certificate, license, permit or registration number(s) affected and the action requested, subject to conditions in OAR 331-010-0020(2).

(4) Fees paid to the agency are not transferable between programs or from person-to-person where the applicant was eligible for service and service was rendered pursuant to application or transaction request submitted to the agency.

(5) Payments received by the agency without indication as to purpose or intent or as an amount of overpayment will first be applied toward any outstanding civil penalty balance or administrative processing fee owed.

(6) Fee schedules are published in the administrative rules for each Board, Council or Program administered by the agency.

(7) Dishonored Check or Electronic Payment. Pursuant to ORS 30.701, whenever a bank check, credit or debit transaction in payment of an obligation due for fees, penalties, copies of records or materials, or other services to the agency, is dishonored by the bank upon which the check is drawn, the applicant or authorization holder will be assessed and must pay an administrative processing fee in the amount of \$25. The agency may take any other disciplinary action against an authorization holder or payer and may seek other legal remedies in pursuing to effect collection of the returned items. If a check is returned for NSF or uncollected funds the agency will attempt to collect payment electronically.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 30.701, 676.625 & OL 2003, Ch. 547 Sec.10, 14, 22, 30, 50, 61, 69, 86, 100

Stats. Implemented: ORS 30.701, 676.625 & OL 2003, Ch. 547 Sec.10, 14, 22, 30, 50, 61, 69, 86, 100

Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

- (E) Respiratory Therapist Licensing Board:  
 (i) Oregon Society of Respiratory Care;  
 (ii) American Association of Respiratory Care;  
 (iii) Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems;  
 (iv) Association for Home Care;  
 (v) Oregon Health Services, Department of Human Services;  
 (vi) Oregon Medical Association;  
 (vii) Board of Medical Examiners;  
 (viii) National Board of Respiratory Care.  
 (F) Environmental Health Registration Board:  
 (i) Oregon Environmental Health Association (OEHA);  
 (ii) County Health Departments;  
 (iii) National Environmental Health Association (NEHA);  
 (iv) Oregon Department of Agriculture;  
 (v) Oregon Department of Environmental Quality;  
 (vi) Oregon Health Services, Department of Human Services;  
 (vii) Oregon Society of Soil Scientists;  
 (viii) Conference of Local Environmental Health Supervisors (CLEHS);

(ix) Conference of Local Health Officials (CLHO).

(G) Advisory Council for Electrologists, Permanent Color Technicians and Tattoo Artists:

(i) Oregon Association of Licensed Electrologists;

(ii) State Representative, International Guild for Professional Electrologists;

(iii) Oregon schools of electrolysis, permanent coloring and tattooing;

(iv) Oregon State Department of Education, Private Career Schools;

(v) American Electrology Association.

(vi) National Tattoo Association;

(vii) Professional Tattoo Artists Guild;

(viii) The Society of Permanent Cosmetic Professionals;

(ix) Alliance of Professional Tattooists;

(x) National Cosmetic Tattooing Association;

(xi) Oregon Medical Association;

(xii) Board of Medical Examiners.

(H) Advisory Council on Hearing Aids:

(i) Oregon Hearing Aid Society;

(ii) Oregon Speech and Hearing Association;

(iii) Oregon Academy of Otolaryngology;

(iv) Oregon Board of Examiners for Speech Pathology and Audiology;

(v) Oregon Disabilities Council;

(vi) Oregon Association of the Deaf;

(vii) Oregon Chapters of Self-Help for the Hard of Hearing;

(viii) United Seniors; and

(ix) Gray Panthers.

(I) Body Piercing Licensing Program:

(i) Association for Professional Piercers;

(ii) Oregon Retail Council;

(iii) National Cosmetology Association of Oregon;

(iv) Ear Piercing Manufacturers of the United States;

(v) Oregon beauty and piercing industry trade papers and newsletters (upon request).

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183, 676.605, 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547

Stats. Implemented: ORS 183, 676.605, 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547

Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

## 331-001-0010

## Model Rules of Procedure

Pursuant to ORS 183.341, the Health Licensing Office adopts the Model Rules of Procedures as promulgated by the Attorney General of the State of Oregon under the Administrative Procedures Act as amended and effective January 1, 2004.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183 & 676.605

Stats. Implemented: ORS 183 & 676.605

Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

## 331-001-0020

## Applicability of Agency Rules

The provisions of OAR 331-001-0000 through 331-030-0030 shall apply in the administration and regulation of all programs administered by the agency except as otherwise specifically provided.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547

Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-010-0020****Refund of Payments**

(1) The Health Licensing Office will not refund any payment, which includes fees, penalties or other charges, unless there has been an error by the agency. Information not known by the agency because the authorization holder or payer supplied the incorrect information is not considered an error.

(2) The agency will not refund fees, penalties or other moneys overpaid by \$25 or less unless such refund is requested in writing by the payer, or representative of the payer, within three years after the date payment is received by the agency, as provided by ORS 293.445.

(3) Application fees will not be refunded.

(4) When an applicant withdraws their application for a certificate, license, permit, or registration prior to the issuance of the authorization, or fails to complete the application process, the agency may refund the certificate, license, permit or registration fee, but will retain the application fee.

(5) Examination and initial authorization fees will be refunded if the applicant does not meet the qualifications for examination or authorization.

(6) Examination fees may not be refunded once an applicant has been approved or scheduled to take the examination, even if the applicant is unable to participate in the examination. The agency will not incur any expense in refunding fees or rescheduling an examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 30.701, 293.445, 676.625, 676.625 & OL 2003, Ch. 547 Sec.10, 14, 22, 30, 50, 61, 69, 86, 100  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 30.701, 293.445, 676.625, 676.625 & OL 2003, Ch. 547 Sec.10, 14, 22, 30, 50, 61, 69, 86, 100  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-010-0030****Charges for Copies and Documents**

(1) All requests for copies of public records pertaining to the Health Licensing Office, or any program it administers, shall be submitted in writing, electronic mail, or by completion of an electronic form provided by the agency. Requests are subject to disclosure according to the Public Records Law, ORS 192.410 to 192.505, and rules adopted thereunder.

(2) The agency may charge a fee reasonably calculated to reimburse the agency for costs of providing and conveying copies of public records. Fees shall not exceed the cost of locating, compiling, making available for inspection, preparing copy in paper, audio, computer disk, microfilm or machine readable format, and delivering public records. All fees assessed must be paid before public records are made available.

(3) Individuals may contact the agency for the cost of obtaining copies of official agency records.

(4) Charges to the general public shall be payable in cash, cashier's check, money order, or credit/debit card. Payment by personal check for copies of official documents is not accepted.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 197.410 - 192.505, 676.625 & OL 2003, Ch. 547 Sec.10, 14, 22, 30, 50, 61, 69, 86, 100  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 197.410 - 192.505, 676.625 & OL 2003, Ch. 547 Sec.10, 14, 22, 30, 50, 61, 69, 86, 100  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-010-0040****Notification Requirements**

(1) Authorization holders in any program administered by the Health Licensing Office shall notify the agency in writing within 30 calendar days of a change in the following information:

- (a) Name;
- (b) Residential or mailing address;
- (c) Area code and telephone number;
- (d) Employment status; or
- (e) Work location.

(2) The holder of a facility license or an independent contractor registration, from any program administered by the Health Licensing Office, shall notify the agency in writing within five calendar days of a change to the following business information:

- (a) Business name;
- (b) Business telephone number, including area code;
- (c) General hours of operation;
- (d) Address change resulting from city or U.S. Postal Service action; or
- (e) Closure or sale of business facility or practice.

(3) Independent contractors must submit written notice to the agency indicating the facility name, authorization number, telephone number and address for any of the following changes:

- (a) Before a change in permanent work location;
- (b) Before working at multiple licensed facilities on a temporary basis;
- (c) When working for a temporary personnel service, provide the agency with a monthly listing of facilities at which they worked on a temporary basis.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**DIVISION 20****AGENCY REGULATORY OPERATIONS RULES****331-020-0000****Contested Case Procedure**

(1) Subject to the approval of the Attorney General, an officer or employee of the agency is authorized to appear on behalf of any Board, Council, or Program administered by the agency when the agency proposes to refuse to issue, renew, suspend, revoke, place on probation or impose a civil penalty on any applicant, licensee, registrant or other individual.

(2) The agency representative may not make legal argument on behalf of the agency:

(a) "Legal argument" includes arguments on:

- (A) The jurisdiction of the agency to hear the contested case;
- (B) The constitutionality of a statute, rule, and/or the application of a constitutional requirement to an agency; and
- (C) The application of court precedent to the facts of the particular contested case proceeding.

(b) "Legal argument" does not include presentation of evidence, examination and cross-examination of witnesses or presentation of factual arguments or arguments on:

- (A) The application of the facts to the statutes or rules directly applicable to the issues in the contested case;
- (B) Comparison of prior actions of the agency in handling similar situations;
- (C) The literal meaning of the statutes or rules directly applicable to the issues in the contested case; and
- (D) The admissibility of evidence or the correctness of procedures being followed.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183 & OL 2003, m Ch. 547, Sec. 4  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 183 & OL 2003, m Ch. 547, Sec. 4  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-020-0010****Requiring an Answer to Charges as Part of Notices to Parties in Contested Cases**

In addition to the requirements stated in OAR 137-003-0000 of the Attorney General's Model Rules of Procedure adopted under OAR 331-001-0010, the notice to parties in contested cases may include a statement that an answer to the assertions or charges will be required and, if so, the consequence of failure to answer. A statement of the consequences of failure to answer may be satisfied by enclosing a copy of OAR 331-020-0020 with the notice.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 183  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-020-0020****Hearing Requests and Answers; Consequences of Failure to Answer**

(1) A hearing request, and answer when required, shall be made in writing to the Agency Director by the party or their attorney and an answer shall include the following:

- (a) An admission or denial of each factual matter alleged in the notice; and
- (b) A short, concise statement of each relevant affirmative defense the party may have.

(2) Except for good cause:

- (a) Factual matters alleged in the notice and not denied in the answer shall be presumed admitted;

(b) Failure to raise a particular defense in the answer will be considered a waiver of such defense;

(c) New matters alleged in the answer (affirmative defenses) shall be presumed to be denied by the agency; and

(d) Evidence shall not be taken on any issue not raised in the notice and the answer.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 183  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-020-0030**

**Inquiries; Filing a Complaint**

(1) An individual may contact the Health Licensing Office to inquire on the licensing record, status or employment of a person issued a certificate, license, permit or registration by the agency, or to comment on any issue concerning an individual regulated by the agency.

(2) Complaints against individuals practicing in one of the professions or occupations listed in OL 2003, Ch. 547, Section 6, may be filed with the agency. The complaint may be made on forms provided by the Agency, which includes the following information:

(a) The name, address and telephone number of the person making the complaint;

(b) The name of the person or facility against which the complaint is being made;

(c) A concise description of the charge against the person or facility listing the date, time and circumstances of the alleged violation; and

(d) The signature of the person making the complaint.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183, 676.605 & OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sec. 6  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 183, 676.605 & OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sec. 6  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-020-0040**

**Complaint Processing and Investigation**

Pursuant to OL 2003, Ch. 547, Section 1, complaints filed with the Health Licensing Office will be handled as follows:

(1) The agency will determine if the complaint is related to a profession or occupation regulated and administered by the agency and the complaint falls within authority delegated to the agency by statute.

(2) The agency investigator(s):

(a) Will review the information and as applicable, interview parties and witnesses, and examine physical evidence relating to the complaint;

(b) Will advise on whether an authorization holder or other individual practiced within the acceptable standards of the particular Board, Council or Program;

(c) May attempt to informally resolve the matter;

(d) Will make recommendations for agency or Board action.

(3) After receiving advice from the investigator(s), the agency will determine what action will be taken in accordance with OL 2003, Ch. 547, Section 1.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183, 676.605, 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sec. 1, 2  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 183, 676.605, 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sec. 1, 2  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-020-0050**

**Response to Inquiry**

Any person subject to a complaint involving conduct or service performed or provided may be required by the agency to respond. The person must respond to the agency within 20 calendar days from the date of the request, in the form and manner requested by the agency.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 183  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-020-0060**

**Civil Penalty Considerations**

(1) Pursuant to OL 2003, ch. 547, section 4, any person who violates any provision of law or rules of a regulated profession or occupation administered by the Health Licensing Office and listed OL 2003, Ch. 547, Section 6, may incur, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for each violation.

(2) In establishing the amount of the penalty for each violation, the agency will consider and evaluate each case on an individual basis. The agency will consider, but not be limited to factors listed in OL

2003, Ch. 547, Section 4, Subsection (4), in determining the amount of the penalty.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sec. 4  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sec. 4  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-020-0070**

**Discipline**

(1) The Health Licensing Office may discipline authorization holders for violations of laws and rules, in accordance with OL 2003, Ch. 547, Section 3.

(2) Failure to cooperate with the agency or its agent is unprofessional conduct and is subject to disciplinary sanctions, which may include suspension or revocation and refuse to issue or renew or place on probation and assessment of civil penalties. Failure to cooperate with the agency or its agent includes, but is not limited to, the following:

(a) Failing to provide information within the specified time allotted and as requested by the agency;

(b) Failing to temporarily surrender custody of original client records to the agency upon request, which includes treatment charts, models, health histories, billing documents, correspondence and memoranda;

(c) Interference, use of threats or harassment which delays or obstructs any person in providing evidence in any investigation, contested case, or other legal action instituted by the agency;

(d) Interference, use of threats or harassment which delays or obstructs the agency in carrying out its functions under individual programs administered and regulated by the agency as listed in OL 2003, Ch. 547, Section 6 and rules adopted thereunder; or

(e) Deceiving or attempting to deceive the agency regarding any matter under investigation including altering or destroying any records.

(3) The agency, at its discretion, may require supplemental training in an appropriate area of study as determined by the agency, board or council, as a disciplinary sanction. Supplemental training may be in addition to assessment of a monetary penalty or the agency, board or council may waive or reduce a penalty, in cases requiring supplemental training.

Stat. Auth.: OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sec. 3  
 Stats. Implemented: OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sec. 3  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**DIVISION 30**

**CERTIFICATION, LICENSURE AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

**331-030-0000**

**Application Requirements**

(1) An applicant who has been the subject of any disciplinary action from a regulatory authority in another state, including the imposition of a civil or criminal penalty, is not qualified for certification, licensure, permit or registration in Oregon until the Health Licensing Office determines the scope and finality of the disciplinary action and makes a determination as to an applicant's overall fitness to be certified, licensed or registered to practice in Oregon.

(2) The agency may conduct a background check of convictions by use of the Law Enforcement Data System and may determine whether the applicant has been disciplined by a regulatory authority or has been convicted of a crime that bears a relation to the fitness of the applicant to practice in accordance with ORS 670.280.

(3) Material misrepresentation or material errors of fact on the application for a certificate, license, permit or registration are grounds for refusal to issue or revoke the authorization.

(4) Application for an authorization for any program administered by the Health Licensing Office shall be made on forms prescribed and furnished by the agency.

(5) To be accepted and processed, an application must contain:

(a) Applicant's current name, address and telephone number;

(b) Applicant's date of birth;

(c) Applicant's signature and date of application;

(d) Applicant's Social Security Number and evidence of verification; (Refer to (6) of this rule.)

(e) Applicant's ethnicity (optional);

(f) Applicant's gender (optional);

(g) Disclosure of any active or inactive disciplinary action, voluntary resignation of a certificate, license, permit or registration or sanction related to authorization imposed upon the applicant by any state or country regulatory authority;

(h) Disclosure of any active or inactive certificate, license, permit or registration issued by Oregon or another state;

(i) Payment for the exact amount of required fees; and

(j) All additional information required by the particular Board, Council or Program for which application is made.

(6) As part of your application for an initial or renewed occupational or professional authorization issued by the agency, you are required to provide your Social Security Number to the agency. This is mandatory. The authority for this requirement is ORS 25.785, 305.385, 42 USC § 405(c)(2)(C)(i), and 42 USC § 666(a)(13). Failure to provide your Social Security Number will be a basis to refuse to accept the application for or to issue or renew the certification, license, permit or registration you seek. The record of your Social Security Number will be used for child support enforcement and tax administration purposes (including identification) only, unless you authorize other uses of the number. Although a number other than your Social Security Number appears on the face of the authorization issued by the agency, your Social Security Number will remain on file with the agency.

[Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]  
 Stat. Auth.: ORS 25.785, 305.385, 42 USC § 405(C)(2)(C)(i), 42 USC § 666(a)(13), 670.280, 676.605, 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 25.785, 305.385, 42 USC § 405(C)(2)(C)(i), 42 USC § 666(a)(13), 670.280, 676.605, 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-030-0010  
 Procedure for Issuing and Renewing Certificates, Licenses and Registrations**

(1) Certificates, licenses and registrations for all programs administered by the Health Licensing Office shall be issued upon compliance with all requirements. The certificate, license or registration will expire on the last day of the month one year, or other period as specified by each individual program, from the date the authorization was issued.

(2) The authorization will state the holder's name, address, authorization number, expiration date and bear the signature of the holder.

(3) The agency may mail notice of expiration to the authorization holder, sending the notice to the last known address on file. The authorization holder is responsible for submitting a timely application for renewal whether or not a renewal form was mailed by the agency.

(4) Application for renewal shall be made in advance of the expiration date, and shall be submitted together with the required fee(s) and documentation, as the individual program stipulates for renewal. Payment must be postmarked or received by the agency during regular business hours on or before the expiration date.

(5) An application for renewal and payment received by the agency or postmarked after the expiration date may be assessed a late renewal fee according to requirements stipulated in each individual program's rules for certificate, license or registration renewal.

(6) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this rule, the agency may vary the renewal date of an authorization by giving the applicant written notice of the renewal date being assigned and by making prorated adjustments to the renewal fee.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & OL 2003, Ch. 547  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-030-0020  
 Authorization; Duplicates**

(1) An individual shall not display a sign or in any way advertise or purport to be a certificate, license, permit or registration holder or to be engaged in practice without first obtaining an authorization in the manner required according to statute and rules of a program under the administration of the Health Licensing Office:

- (a) OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sect. 6, Subsect. (1) — Athletic Training;
- (b) OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sect. 64 — Body Piercing;
- (c) ORS 690.015 — Cosmetology;
- (d) ORS 680.505 — Denture Technology;
- (e) ORS 687.415 — Direct Entry Midwifery;
- (f) ORS 690.355 — Electrology and Tattooing;
- (g) ORS 694.025 — Hearing Aid Specialists;
- (h) ORS 688.805 — Respiratory Therapy;

(i) ORS 700.020 — Environmental Health Specialists.

(2) The agency issues only one original authorization.

(3) The possession or posting of more than one of the same current authorization (original or duplicate) is prohibited.

(4) All authorization holders must carry or have immediate access to current government issued photographic identification at all times when performing services or when open for business and will provide agency enforcement officers with the appropriate identification immediately upon request. Acceptable photographic identification includes, but is not limited to, a valid driver's license, passport, or other official document issued by a recognized government entity.

(5) If for any reason a person is mistakenly issued a document that contains a material error and superseded by a corrected document, the agency has the authority to demand surrender of the incorrect authorization document issued by the agency. The individual must surrender the document requested within the time determined by the agency.

(6) The agency may issue a DUPLICATE document, if:

(a) A written request for a reproduction is submitted to the agency office, which contains the authorization holder's name, authorization number, address, telephone number, employment information, and a statement attesting that the original authorization has been lost, stolen or destroyed;

(b) The authorization is valid;

(c) Payment of the duplicate fee accompanies the request;

(d) The authorization holder is not subject to any outstanding civil penalties or other disciplinary action.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.015, 680.505, 687.415, 690.355, 694.025, 688.805, 700.020 & OL 1999, Sec. 6, Sub. 1, OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sec. 64  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.015, 680.505, 687.415, 690.355, 694.025, 688.805, 700.020 & OL 1999, Sec. 6, Sub. 1, OL 2003, Ch. 547, Sec. 64  
 Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**331-030-0030  
 Sanctions**

(1) DEFAULT STUDENT LOAN: In accordance with ORS 348.393 to 348.399 and OAR 575-001-0030, the Oregon Health Licensing Office will provide the Oregon Student Assistance Commission with authorization information which may be electronically cross-matched with the agency's post-default database.

(2) The agency will refuse to issue or renew, place the person on probation, or suspend the authorization if the person is in default on any student loan guaranteed or insured by the Oregon Student Assistance Commission and is not paying in a satisfactory manner as determined by the Commission and in accordance with federal regulations.

(3) Pursuant to ORS 348.393(3), the agency will notify the authorization holder of the action being taken against the authorization at the direction of the Commission.

(4) Upon notification by the Commission and receipt of a release notice that the individual has met satisfactory borrower repayment status, the agency will issue or reinstate the authorization upon compliance with any qualifications for issuance or reinstatement.

(5) CHILD SUPPORT IN ARREARS: In accordance with ORS 25.750 to 25.783, the Health Licensing Office will provide the Support Enforcement Division of the Department of Justice with authorization information which may be electronically cross-matched with Support Enforcement Division's records for persons under order of judgment to pay monthly child support and who are in arrears according to ORS 25.750(a), (b), and/or (c).

(6) The agency will suspend the authorization, if the Support Enforcement Division or the district attorney identifies the authorization holder as being in arrears with respect to any judgment or order requiring the payment of child support and that the case is being enforced under the provisions of ORS 25.080.

(7) Pursuant to ORS 25.762 or 25.765, the agency will notify the authorization holder of the suspension status and refer the person to the Support Enforcement Division or the district attorney for resolution.

(8) Upon notification by the Support Enforcement Division or district attorney and receipt of a release notice that the conditions resulting in the suspension no longer exist, the agency will reinstate the authorization upon compliance with all qualifications for renewal or reactivation.

(9) DEFAULT TAX FILING OR PAYMENT: In accordance with ORS 305.385, upon request the Health Licensing Office will provide

the Department of Revenue with authorization information to determine if the holder has neglected or refused to file any return or to pay any tax without filing a petition with the department as stated in ORS 305.385(4)(a).

(10) The agency will propose to take action against an authorization holder identified by the Department of Revenue. If the agency proposes to refuse to issue, renew or suspend an authorization, opportunity for hearing will be accorded as provided in ORS 183.310 to 183.480 for contested cases.

(11) Upon notification by the department and receipt of a notice of release issued by the department that the authorization holder is in good standing with respect to any returns due and taxes payable to the department as of the date of the notice of release, the agency will renew, reactivate or release from suspension the authorization upon compliance with any qualifications for renewal or reactivation.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 25.080, 25.750 - 25.783, 183.310 - 183.480, 305.385 & 348.393 - 348.399

Stats. Implemented: ORS 25.080, 25.750 - 25.783, 183.310 - 183.480, 305.385 & 348.393 - 348.399

Hist.: HLO 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 2-13-04

**DIVISION 105**

**BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS:  
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

**331-105-0020**

**Definitions**

The following definitions apply to OAR 331-105-0000 through 331-125-0020.

(1) "Agency" means the Health Licensing Office. The agency is responsible for the budget, personnel, performance-based outcomes, consumer protection, fee collection, mediation, complaint resolution, discipline, rulemaking and record keeping.

(2) "Accredited" means fully accredited and approved to offer degrees at the specified level by an agency or association recognized as an accreditor by the U.S. Secretary of Education, under the 1965 Higher Education Act as amended at the time of recognition, or having candidacy status with such an accrediting agency or association whose pre-accreditation is also recognized specifically for HEA purposes by the Secretary of Education, or the foreign equivalency of such accreditation as determined in consultation with the Office of Degree Authorization.

(3) "Board" means, pursuant to OL 1999, Ch. 736, Section 2, the entity that advises the agency in matters relating to the practice of athletic training, including practice standards, education and training requirements, and advises the agency on all disciplinary issues in accordance with OL 1999, Ch. 736, Section 4. The agency director controls the regulatory operations and has decision-making authority on all substantive matters.

(4) "Athletic Trainer" means a person who is registered by the Board of Athletic Trainers to practice athletic training as defined in OL 1999, Ch. 736, Section 1, subsection (4).

(5) "Date of registration" means the date upon which the applicant has met all requirements for registration and is issued a valid current registration document.

(6) "Director" means the individual who is responsible for the performance of the agency as defined in ORS 676.610. The director appoints all subordinate officers and employees to carry out the duties of the agency.

(7) "Equivalent" means substantially comparable but not identical, covering the same subject matter or requirement.

(8) "Expired registration" means a registration that is not renewed prior to the expiration date and lapses into inactive status.

(9) "Health Licensing Office" means the agency.

(10) "NATA" means the National Athletic Trainers' Association.

(11) "NATABOC" means the National Athletic Trainers' Association Board of Certification.

(12) "Registration" means the document issued by the agency authorizing the holder to practice athletic training and use the title "Athletic Trainer, Registered."

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 5

Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 5

Hist.: HD 8-1994, f. & cert. ef. 3-15-94; HDLB 2-1996, f. 12-13-96, cert. ef. 2-1-97, Renumbered from 333-315-0010; HDLP 1-2000(Temp), f. 2-14-00, cert. ef. 2-15-00

thru 8-11-00; HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-105-0030**

**Fees**

(1) Applicants and registrants are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-010-0010 and 331-010-0020 regarding the payment of fees, penalties and charges.

(2) Fees established by the Health Licensing Office are as follows:

- (a) Application: \$100;
- (b) Original registration: \$275 for one-year renewal cycle;
- (c) Renewal of Registration: \$275;
- (d) Permits and waivers: \$150;
- (e) Reinstatement: \$150;
- (f) Delinquency or late renewal of registration: \$50;
- (g) Replacement of registration including name change: \$25;
- (h) Reciprocity: \$325;

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 5(3) & (4) & Sec. 10

Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 5(3) & (4) & Sec. 10

Hist.: HDLB 2-1996, f. 12-13-96, cert. ef. 1-1-97; HDLP 1-2000(Temp), f. 2-14-00, cert. ef. 2-15-00 thru 8-11-00; Administrative correction 3-16-00; HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 110**

**BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS  
APPLICATION AND QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

**331-110-0005**

**Training/Education Requirements**

At the time of application for Oregon registration, an applicant is required to provide adequate documentation of a bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college or university pursuant to 1999 Oregon Laws, Chapter 736, Section 8(1) and satisfactory completion of one of the following training/education qualification pathways:

(1) Official documentation of a passing score of the National Athletic Trainers' Association Board of Certification (NATABOC) or documentation of successful completion of an equivalent examination approved or recognized by the Board. The applicant must provide official documentation verifying current certification by the National Athletic Trainers' Association Board of Certification (NATABOC) at the time of application for Oregon registration. The applicant assumes responsibility for payment of fees assessed by NATABOC in obtaining required official documentation; or

(2) Official documentation verifying completion of course work, education and practical work experience as follows:

(a) Graduation from an entry-level Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) curriculum in athletic training; or

(b) Successful completion of approved course work, by means of official transcripts submitted directly from the education institution by mail to the Health Licensing Office. At least one course must be completed in each of the following areas: health (i.e. nutrition, drugs/substance abuse, health education, personal health and wellness), human anatomy, kinesiology/biomechanics, human physiology, physiology of exercise, basic athletic training, and advanced athletic training or in related subject areas approved by the board. Completion of at least 1500 hours of practical work experience in athletic training under the supervision of a qualified athletic trainer or other qualified professional approved by the Board. Practical work experience must meet the following requirements and criteria:

(A) Experience must be gained over a period of the previous two calendar years;

(B) At least 1000 hours must be attained in a traditional athletic training setting at the interscholastic, intercollegiate, or professional sports level.

(C) The remaining balance of practical hours, not to exceed 500 hours, may be attained from an allied clinical setting and/or sports camp setting under the supervision of a qualified athletic trainer or other qualified professional as approved by the Board.

(D) At least twenty-five percent of the hours obtained must be in actual on-location practice and/or game coverage with one or more of the following sports: football, soccer, hockey, wrestling, basketball,

gymnastics, lacrosse, volleyball, rugby, rodeo or other high risk sport approved by the Board.

(3) Applicants who hold a current athletic training licensing credential issued from another state, territory, or country must arrange for a completed Affidavit of Registration, issued from the credentialing state, to be mailed directly to the Health Licensing office. The Affidavit must attest to the applicant's registration record and indicate successful completion of an examination by an entity recognized or sanctioned by the Board.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(2), (3) & (6) & Sec. 8  
 Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(2), (3) & (6) & Sec. 8  
 Hist.: HDLP 1-2000(Temp), f. 2-14-00, cert. ef. 2-15-00 thru 8-11-00; HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HDLP 4-2000, f. 11-17-00, cert. ef. 11-20-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-110-0010**

**Application Requirements**

(1) Individuals applying for registration to practice athletic training must meet the requirements of OAR 331-030-0000 in addition to the provisions of this rule.

(2) Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and provide a copy of their birth certificate, driver's license, passport, or school/military/governmental record with age documented.

(3) Applicants must submit a completed application form prescribed by the agency, which shall contain the information listed in OAR 331-030-0000(5) and be accompanied by payment of the application and registration fees and include the following:

(a) Disclosure of all information pertaining to degree from a four year accredited college or university;

(b) Information pertaining to satisfactory completion of competency examination, including examination type, source, date, location and score(s); and

(c) A copy of a cardio-pulmonary resuscitation certification (CPR). The CPR course must include adult CPR techniques from a source approved by the Board. A valid emergency medical technician certification is an acceptable alternative for satisfying the CPR requirement; and

(d) Documentation verifying completion of required training/education according to the provisions of OAR 331-110-0005.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(3) & (6) & Sec. 8  
 Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(3) & (6) & Sec. 8  
 Hist.: HD 8-1994, f. & cert. ef. 3-15-94; HDLB 2-1996, f. 12-13-96, cert. ef. 1-1-97, Renumbered from 333-315-0020; HDLP 1-2000(Temp), f. 2-14-00, cert. ef. 2-15-00 thru 8-11-00; HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-110-0055**

**Registration Required; Exception**

(1) To practice athletic training in the state of Oregon, individuals must be registered in accordance with OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sect. (6).

(2) Athletic trainers or other designated persons from another state, or territory, who are performing services for their respective team or for a sponsoring organization and only during the course of that team's stay or the duration of a sponsored event in this state, are not required to hold an Oregon registration or to apply for a waiver if the time in Oregon is less than 60 days in one calendar year.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(3) & Sec. 6(2)(e)  
 Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(3) & Sec. 6(2)(e)  
 Hist.: HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 115**

**ATHLETIC TRAINER REGISTRATION**

**331-115-0020**

**Registration Issuance**

(1) Registrants are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010 regarding issuance and renewal of a registration, and to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0020 regarding authorization to practice, identification and requirements for issuance of a duplicate authorization document.

(2) Registration must be documented under the applicant's legal name. When a name is changed, the following items must be submitted so the agency's records reflect the new name:

- (a) A signed change of name notification;
- (b) A copy of the legal document showing the name change;

(c) Return of the registration form issued and payment of replacement fee if a corrected registration is requested prior to the scheduled renewal date.

Stat. Auth.: Ch. 736, OL 1999  
 Stats. Implemented: Ch. 736, OL 1999  
 Hist.: HD 8-1994, f. & cert. ef. 3-15-94; HDLB 2-1996, f. 12-13-96, cert. ef. 1-1-97, Renumbered from 333-315-0030; HDLP 1-2000(Temp), f. 2-14-00, cert. ef. 2-15-00 thru 8-11-00; HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00, Renumbered from 331-110-0020; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-115-0030**

**Registration Renewal; Reinstatement**

(1) A registration renewal application received by the agency, or postmarked, after the registration has expired but within one year from the expiration date, may be renewed upon payment of the renewal and delinquency fees and submitting the required attestation of having obtained the required number of continuing education credits. Refer to OAR 331-125-0010.

(2) A registration which has been expired for more than one year but less than two may be reinstated if the applicant completes the following requirements:

(a) Submits verification of a valid cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification;

(b) Pays registration renewal and reinstatement fees; and

(c) Provides documentation of continuing education during the period while the registration was in expired, suspended or probationary status.

(3) Registrations that have been expired beyond two years are not renewable. An individual may apply for a new registration by meeting the requirements of OAR 331-110-0010.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(3), Sec. 5(2) & Sec. 9  
 Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(3), Sec. 5(2) & Sec. 9  
 Hist.: HD 8-1994, f. & cert. ef. 3-15-94; HDLB 2-1996, f. 12-13-96, cert. ef. 1-1-97, Renumbered from 333-315-0030; HDLP 1-2000(Temp), f. 2-14-00, cert. ef. 2-15-00 thru 8-11-00; HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00, Renumbered from 331-110-0020; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-115-0060**

**Registration Display and Posting Requirements**

(1) Registrants must show proof of valid registration with the Board upon request or post the registration document in public view at the athletic trainer's primary workplace.

(2) The registrant's address printed on the registration document may be concealed from public view.

(3) Registrants must carry the registration identification card (pocket card) with them, or post in plain view, the official registration anytime services are being provided.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 5(1) & (2)  
 Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 5(1) & (2)  
 Hist.: HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 120**

**PRACTICE STANDARDS**

**331-120-0000**

**Profession Statement**

(1) The purpose of the Oregon Board of Athletic Trainers is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Oregon's citizens by granting or withholding the privilege of practicing athletic training in accordance with strict standards for education and conduct; to regulate the use of that privilege in such a way that the public is protected from the practice of athletic training by unauthorized or unqualified persons from unprofessional conduct by Board registrants; and to build and encourage athletic training excellence in Oregon.

(2) In addition to its licensing function, the Health Licensing Office conducts investigations, imposes disciplinary actions, and in collaboration with the Board supports rehabilitation education and initiatives, which further the Board's legislative mandate to protect the citizens of Oregon.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(5)  
 Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(5)  
 Hist.: HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-120-0010****Scope of Practice**

The scope of practice of athletic training by a registered athletic trainer shall consist of the following:

(1) The education, instruction, application and monitoring of facts and circumstances required to protect the athlete from athletic injury, including but not limited to:

- (a) The identification, through physical examinations or screening processes, of preexisting physical conditions that may pose a risk of injury to an athlete.
- (b) The supervision and maintenance of athletic equipment to assure safety.

(2) The recognition, evaluation and immediate care of injuries occurring during athletic events or in the practice for athletic events including the following;

- (a) Performance of strength testing using mechanical devices or other standard techniques;
  - (b) Application of tape, braces and protective devices to prevent injury;
  - (c) Administration of standard techniques of first aid;
  - (d) Use of emergency care equipment to aid the injured athlete by facilitating safe transportation to an appropriate medical facility;
  - (e) Determination of the level of functional capacity of an injured athlete in order to establish the extent of an injury;
- (3) The gathering and accurate recording of all information required in the assessment of athletic injuries.

(4) The development and implementation of an appropriate course of rehabilitation and/or reconditioning by the use of therapeutic modalities, including but not limited to: water, cold, heat, electrical, mechanical and acoustical devices, massage, manual techniques, gait training exercise, and physical capacity functional programs which are determined to be needed to facilitate recovery, restore athletic function and/or performance;

(5) Athletic Trainers may dispense only non-scheduled medications under the supervision of a physician. Athletic Trainers shall not perform invasive procedures. Athletic Trainers may dispense and apply topical non-prescription medication;

(6) The determination and implementation of a plan for appropriate health care administration.

(7) Referral of an athlete to appropriate medical personnel as needed.

(8) Organization of a medical care service delivery system for athletes when needed.

(9) Establishment of plans to manage an athlete's medical emergencies;

(10) The education and/or providing of athletic training guidance to injured athletes for the purpose of facilitating recovery, function and/or performance of the athlete.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 1(4)

Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 1(4)

Hist.: HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HDLP 4-2000, f. 11-17-00, cert. ef. 11-20-00

**331-120-0020****Standards of Practice**

Athletic trainers shall adhere to the following standards of professional conduct.

(1) Physician Collaboration: Athletic trainers are required to collaborate with a physician in the treatment of an athletic injury as provided in OAR 331-120-0030.

(2) Registered Athletic Trainers shall be responsible for the conduct and performance of student assistants under their supervision.

(3) Documentation: Athletic trainers are required to accept responsibility for recording details of the athlete's health status and include details of the injured athlete's medical history, including name, address and legal guardian if a minor, referral source, all assessments, test results, database by date of service provided, treatment plan and estimated length for recovery, record all methods used, results achieved, any changes in the treatment plan, record the date that the treatment plan is concluded and provide a summary, sign and date each entry.

(4) Confidentiality: Athletic trainers are required to maintain confidentiality and in a timely manner communicate assessment results,

treatment program plans, or periodic progress reports with any other person involved in the injured athlete's treatment.

(5) Initial Assessment: Prior to treatment, athletic trainers are required to assess the athlete's history and level of functioning.

(6) Treatment Program Planning: The treatment program objectives must include goals, expectations and measures to determine the effectiveness of the program.

(7) Athletic trainers are required to observe the Standard Precautions adopted by the Centers for Disease Control as defined in Oregon Administrative Rules 437 division 2, when providing services to clients.

(8) Working under the influence of alcohol or any drugs, including prescription medications, which may impair performance, is prohibited. Athletic trainers are required to seek professional assistance through a diversion program if necessary to achieve and maintain freedom from substance abuse.

(9) Sexual misconduct in the practice of athletic training is prohibited.

(10) Practicing athletic training or offering to perform services beyond the scope of practice permitted by law and defined in OL 1999, Ch. 736, Section 1, subsection (4), is prohibited.

(11) Performing services which have not been authorized by the consumer or his / her legal representative is prohibited.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(5)

Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(5)

Hist.: HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HDLP 4-2000, f. 11-17-00, cert. ef. 11-21-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-120-0030****Collaboration Between Athletic Trainers and Physicians**

(1) "Collaboration" as used in this section means consultation, correspondence, or referral between an athletic trainer and a physician. Collaboration may be initiated by the athletic trainer or physician, and consists of oral or written communication between the parties or an appropriate representative of the physician. "Collaboration" as used in OAR 331-120-0020 and this section, does not mean providing care on behalf of, jointly, or in concert with one another.

(2) "Consultation" as used in this section means discussing and/or sharing information with another health care provider that is consistent with the requirements of state and federal law regarding confidentiality for the purposes of obtaining information or recommendations for the provision of care to the athlete.

(3) "Referral" as used in this section means directing the athlete to other resources for purposes of care, treatment, assessment or intervention.

(4) An athletic trainer must consult with or refer an athlete to a physician when the athletic injury is beyond the athletic trainer's scope of practice or expertise, or in those instances where the injury is not responding to treatment. Specific conditions requiring referral to a physician should include:

- (a) Any suspected fracture;
- (b) Limb malalignment;
- (c) Joint instability;
- (d) Bone deformity;
- (e) A concussion with symptoms lasting more than 15 minutes or any loss of consciousness;
- (f) Injury that is not improving within expected amount of time;
- (g) Any life threatening injury;
- (h) Any suspected damage to internal organs;
- (i) Any unresolving or recurrent neurological injury.

(5) The athletic trainer must appropriately record collaboration with a physician regarding an athlete or athletic injury in an acceptable manner, such as notation on injury reports, medical records, and/or progress reports.

(6) Nothing in this section or these rules shall be construed to prevent a physician from employing, directing, supervising, establishing protocols for, or otherwise assisting a registered athletic trainer in the practice of athletic training consistent with the scope of practice and professional standards of each practitioner.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(10)

Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(10)

Hist.: HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HDLP 4-2000, f. 11-17-00, cert. ef. 11-20-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 125

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

**331-125-0000****Continued Competency**

(1) To ensure continuing efforts on the part of Oregon registered athletic trainers to remain current with new developments in athletic training and to encourage diversified training and qualifications in the profession continuing education is required as a condition of registration.

(2) Continuing education experiences are programs beyond the basic education required to obtain registration which are designed to promote and enrich knowledge, improve skills, and develop attitudes for the enhancement of the practices of registered athletic trainers, thus improving athletic training care to the public.

(3) Continuing education requirements apply whether the applicant renewing registration is living or working within Oregon or outside of the state, so long as Oregon registration is maintained.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(8)

Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(8)

Hist.: HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-125-0010****Continuing Education Requirements**

(1) Registrants must complete 80 clock hours of continuing education coinciding with NATABOC's three year reporting period. The three-year period is independent of the date of first registration. Reporting periods begin January 1 and end December 31 in three-year increments.

(2) Required continuing education will be pro-rated according to the date initial Oregon registration occurs within NATABOC's continuing education three-year reporting period. Requirements are as follows:

(a) Registrations issued during the first year of a three-year reporting period require completion of 55 clock hours of continuing education within the reporting period.

(b) Registrations issued during the second year of a the three-year reporting period require completion of 25 clock hours of continuing education within the reporting period.

(c) Registrations issued during the third year of the three-year reporting period do not require completion of any clock hours of continuing education to be eligible for a first renewal of a registration.

(3) Continuing education obtained by a registrant will be approved if the content or experience falls within at the scope of practice for athletic training identified in OAR 331-120-0010.

(4) The Board recognizes, as its approved criteria in determining qualification for registration renewal, NATABOC's 1999 adopted continuing education requirements and current guidelines, including pre-approved courses and providers, continuing education categories A through E, contact hour requirements and limitations for awarding credit based on category type and source. Continuing education must be obtained from the following sources: Symposiums, seminars, workshops, conference; speaker or panelist at allied health care professional setting; author, co-author, contributing author, or editor of publication, such as journal, article or textbook; approved home study, such as video, audio tapes, software program or on-line course; post certification education at college or university; and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. A copy of NATABOC's 1999 adopted continuing education requirements is available for review at the agency and on-line at NATABOC's Web page.

(5) Continuing education acquired from sources identified in NATABOC's Category E adopted in 1999 will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis to determine Board approval. Education must be pertinent to the scope of practice for athletic training listed in OAR 331-120-0010. Documentation for approval of continuing education must address the following criteria:

(a) Relevance of the subject matter to increase or support the development of skill and competence in athletic training;

(b) Objectives of specific information or skill to be learned;

(c) Subject matter, educational methods, materials, and facilities utilized, including the frequency and duration of sessions and the adequacy to implement learner objectives; and

(d) Sponsorship and leadership of programs, including the name of the sponsoring individual(s) or organization(s), and program leaders or faculty if different from sponsors and contact person.

(6) Credit for completion of continuing education will be limited according to course work type, source and categories identified by NATABOC and adopted in 1999 as follows:

(a) Contact hours required of registrants initially registered during the first year of a three-year reporting period: Category A — 75, Category B — 52, Category C — 75, Category D — a minimum of 5 and maximum of 15 contact hours, Category E — 20;

(b) Contact hours required of registrants initially registered during the second year of a three-year reporting period: Category A — 50, Category B — 36, Category C — 50, Category D — a minimum of 5 and maximum of 15 contact hours, and Category E — 13;

(c) Contact hours required of registrants initially registered during the third year of a three-year reporting period: Category A — 20, Category B — 16, Category C — 20, Category D — a minimum of 5 and maximum of 15 contact hours, and Category E — 6.

(7) Continuing education credit will not be awarded to registrants for the following activities:

(a) Education incidental to the regular professional activities of a registrant, such as learning occurring from experience or research;

(b) Professional organization activity, such as serving on committees or councils or as an officer;

(c) Activities, with the exception of CPR, which have been completed more than once during the continuing education period; or

(d) Performance of duties that are routine job duties or requirements.

(8) Continuing education hours earned in excess of those required for the reporting period may not be carried forward for credit toward meeting future requirements.

(9) Documentation of continuing education hours earned must be furnished to the Board only when selected for audit.

(10) At the time of application for renewal, registrants must submit the completed renewal form, affix their signature attesting to completion of required continuing education, and pay appropriate fees.

(11) Documentation supporting compliance with continuing education requirements must be maintained for a period of two years following the last day of any reporting period and be available to the agency upon request.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(8)

Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(8)

Hist.: HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HDLP 4-2000, f. 11-17-00, cert. ef. 11-20-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-125-0020****Continuing Education: Audit, Required Documentation and Sanctions**

(1) The Health Licensing Office will audit a select percentage of licensee records determined by the Board to verify compliance with continuing education requirements. Audit will commence within six months after the end of a NATABOC reporting period.

(2) Licensees notified of selection for audit of continuing education shall submit to the agency, within 30 calendar days from the date of notification, satisfactory evidence of participation in required continuing education in accordance with OAR 331-125-0010.

(3) Documentation of attendance at a program or course provided must include either a copy of the current valid NATABOC certification or all of the following:

(a) Name of sponsoring institution/association or organization;

(b) Title of presentation and description of content;

(c) Name of instructor or presenter;

(d) Date of attendance and duration in hours;

(e) Course agenda;

(f) Official transcript, diploma, certificate, statement or affidavit from the sponsor, attesting to attendance.

(4) If documentation of continuing education is invalid or incomplete, the practitioner must correct the deficiency within 30 calendar days from the date of notice. Failure to correct the deficiency within the prescribed time shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action.

(5) Misrepresentation of continuing education or failing to meet continuing education requirements or documentation may result in disciplinary action, which may include but is not limited to, assessment of a civil penalty and suspension or revocation of the registration.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(8)

Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 4(8)  
 Hist.: HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 135**

**DISCIPLINE; CIVIL PENALTIES**

**331-135-0000**

**Investigative Authority**

The Health Licensing Office may initiate and conduct investigations of matters relating to the practice of athletic training, pursuant to ORS 676.608, and may take appropriate disciplinary action in accordance with the provisions of ORS 676.612 and OL 1999, Ch. 736, Section 11.

Stat. Auth.: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 5(8), 6(1) & 11  
 Stats. Implemented: OL 1999, Ch. 736, Sec. 5(8), 6(1) & 11  
 Hist.: HDLP 3-2000, f. 7-26-00, cert. ef. 8-1-00; HLO 3-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 205**

**BODY PIERCING LICENSING PROGRAM  
 GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

**331-205-0020**

**Definitions**

The following definitions apply to OAR chapter 331, divisions 200 through 225:

- (1) "Acceptable" means satisfactory or adequate; fulfilling the needs or requirements of a specified rule, provision or policy.
- (2) "Agency" means the Health Licensing Office. The agency is responsible for the budget, personnel, performance-based outcomes, consumer protection, fee collection, mediation, complaint resolution, discipline, rulemaking and record keeping.
- (3) "Antiseptic" means product used to stop or inhibit the growth of bacteria.
- (4) "Approved" means acceptable to the Health Licensing Office.
- (5) "Clean" means the absence of soil and dirt.
- (6) "Communicable disease or condition" means diseases or conditions diagnosed by a licensed physician as being contagious or transmissible which include but are not limited to the following:
  - (a) Chickenpox;
  - (b) Diphtheria;
  - (c) Measles;
  - (d) Meningococcal Disease;
  - (e) Mumps;
  - (f) Pertussis (whooping cough);
  - (g) Plague;
  - (h) Poison oak (a transmittable form of "contact dermatitis");
  - (i) Rubella;
  - (j) Scabies;
  - (k) Staphylococcal skin infection (boils, infected wounds);
  - (l) Streptococcal infections (Strep throat);
  - (m) Tinea (ring worm);
  - (n) Tuberculosis.
- (7) "Completed procedure" means a piercing which has been finished.
- (8) "Cosmetic" means a preparation designed to beautify the body.
- (9) "Director" means the individual who is responsible for the performance of the agency as defined in ORS 676.610. The director appoints all subordinate officers and employees to carry out the duties of the agency.
- (10) "Earlobe" means the lowest part of the auricle; it consists of fat and fibrous tissue not reinforced by the auricular cartilage.
- (11) "Easily accessible" means unrestricted use or availability, easy to approach or enter.
- (12) "Enclosed storage area" means separate room, closet, cupboard or cabinet.
- (13) "Equivalent" means comparable but not identical, covering the same subject matter.
- (14) "Facility" means an establishment in which technicians perform the act of body piercing, and includes all areas used by a body-

piercing technician and clients, including but not limited to treatment area and waiting/reception area.

- (15) "Health Licensing Office" means the agency.
- (16) "High-level disinfectant" means a chemical agent, which has demonstrated tuberculocidal activity and is registered with the EPA or approved by the FDA.
- (17) "Instruments" means body-piercing equipment. Such equipment includes but is not limited to piercing needles, forceps, hemostats, tweezers, or other implements used to pierce, puncture, or be inserted into any part of the human body for the intended purpose of making a permanent hole. Such equipment also includes studs, hoops, rings or other decorative jewelry, materials or apparatuses inserted into any part of the human body for the intended purpose of placement in the hole resulting from piercing.
- (18) "Linens" means cloths or towels used for such things as draping or protecting table.
- (19) "Low-level disinfectant" means a chemical agent, which has demonstrated bactericidal, germicidal, fungicidal and limited virucidal activity and is registered with the EPA.
- (20) "Needle" means implement used to pierce or puncture a hole in any part of the human body.
- (21) "Operatory" means:
  - (a) A screened or separated area away from public access and viewing, isolated from a reception or waiting area, when piercings are conducted upon the genital, nipple, or any other discreet part of a person's body; or
  - (b) A designated area, which is segregated from other business activities or services, when ear-piercing services are conducted. The designated area may consist solely of a table, workstation and/or chair independent of any other retail or merchandise activities.
- (22) "Owner" means and includes every person having ownership, control or custody of any place of business or employment.
- (23) "Permanent Hole" means a hole produced by piercing or puncturing any part of the human body, with instruments intended to leave an opening in body tissue(s) into which an appropriate device or apparatus may be inserted. Permanent hole includes any body part newly pierced or punctured which is undergoing a healing process; and, any piercing whether or not removal of a device or apparatus from the perforation would result in fusing or healing of the tissue or skin structures.
- (24) "Person" means one or more individuals, legal representatives, partnerships, joint ventures, associations, corporations (whether or not organized for profit), business trusts, or any organized group of persons.
- (25) "Piercing gun" means a hand-held tool manufactured exclusively for piercing the earlobe, into which studs and clutches are placed and inserted into the earlobe by a hand-squeezed action to create a permanent hole. The tool is made of plastic, stainless steel or other material that can be disinfected.
- (26) "Place or places of business" means the name, mailing address, and location where the registrant or person provides piercing services.
- (27) "Premises" means the entire area of the facility where body-piercing services are provided.
- (28) "Program" means established within the agency with no advisory board.
- (29) "Protective gloves" means gloves made of vinyl, latex or "Nitrile."
- (30) "Public view" means open to view and easy for the public to see, located in the waiting or lobby area of place of business.
- (31) "Renew" means to extend a current license or registration for a year beyond expiration or to bring an inactive license or registration to current, active status.
- (32) "Sharps" means any object that can penetrate the skin, including but not limited to needles, scalpel blades, lancets, glass tubes that could be broken during handling and syringes that have been removed from their original sterile containers.
- (33) "Sharps container" means a puncture-resistant, leak-proof container that can be closed for handling, storage, transportation, and disposal. The container must be red and may be labeled with the "Bio-hazard" symbol.
- (34) "Single Use" means products, instruments or items that are disposed of after each use, including but not limited to cotton swabs

or balls, tissues or paper products, paper or plastic cups, gauze and sanitary coverings, piercing needles and protective gloves.

(35) "Standard Precautions" means a set of guidelines and controls, which outline certain practices which health workers should employ in order to prevent parenteral, mucous-membrane, and no intact skin exposure to blood-borne pathogens as published by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

(36) "Sterilization" means destruction of all forms of macrobiotic life, including spores.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.540, 690.560 & 690.570 (Ch. 562 OL 1995)  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-205-0030**

**Fees**

(1) Applicants, licensees and registrants are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-010-0010 and 331-010-0020 regarding the payment of fees, penalties and charges.

(2) Fees established by the Health Licensing Office are as follows:

- (a) Application for facility license: \$150.
- (b) Initial, one-year facility license: \$275.
- (c) Renewal of facility license: \$275.
- (d) Renewal of expired facility license: \$300.
- (e) Technician application: \$10.
- (f) Initial technician registration: \$25.
- (g) Renewal of technician registration: \$25.
- (h) Renewal of expired technician registration: \$35.
- (i) Duplicate license or registration: \$10.
- (j) An additional \$25 administrative processing fee will be assessed if a NSF or non-negotiable instrument is received for the payment of fees, penalties and charges. Refer to OAR 331-010-0010.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570 (Ch. 562, OL 1995, effective 9-9-95)  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570 (Ch. 562, OL 1995, effective 9-9-95)  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HLO 2-2003, f. 5-6-03, cert. ef. 5-15-03; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 210**

**BODY PIERCING LICENSING PROGRAM  
 APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE AND REGISTRATION**

**331-210-0000**

**Facility Licensure; Criteria**

The Health Licensing Office will issue a facility license to qualified persons as provided in OAR 331-030-0010, and if the applicant:

- (1) Is at least 18 years of age, if a natural person. If the applicant is an entity other than a natural person, the entity must be formed and operated in accordance with Oregon law.
- (2) Provides current government issued photographic documentation confirming date of birth, such as a driver's license, passport or school/military/governmental records;
- (3) Has successfully completed four years of standard high school education or the equivalent. Acceptable documentation includes, but is not limited to: a high school diploma, a letter from any school verifying completion of high school equivalency; military records verifying completion of a high school equivalency; or GED passing scores;
- (4) Registers with the Corporations Division and receives an assumed business name prior to applying for a facility license (unless doing business under the full name of the owner);
- (5) Submits application on a form prescribed by the agency accompanied by payment of the application and licensing fees and submission of the required documentation. Required documentation includes the completed application form and documentation which contains the following:
  - (a) Name of owner;
  - (b) Corporation or partnership;
  - (c) Facility address and mailing address (if different from physical location);
  - (d) Area code and telephone number;
  - (e) Applicant's autoclave make, model and serial number; and

(f) A copy of the spore test results from applicant's autoclave, or submission of a signed attestation requesting an exemption under OAR 331-220-0010 based on one of the following existing conditions:

- (A) Exclusive use of prepackaged sterile body and ear piercing equipment, including needles; or
- (B) Exclusive use of prepackaged sterile ear piercing equipment that utilizes an encapsulated single use stud with clasp mechanism designed for an earlobe piercing gun as defined in OAR 331-205-0020(25).
- (6) Certifies that application information is correct;
- (7) Provides a map or directions to the facility if it is located in a rural or isolated area;
- (8) Provides a list of registered technicians providing services on the premises of facility;
- (9) Complies with all applicable rules and regulations of the agency and other state, county and local agencies. This includes compliance with specifications for building, fire and plumbing codes, and with exit and fire standards established by the Building Codes Agency, the Office of the State Fire Marshal, and compliance with Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division, OAR 437, Division 2, General Occupational Safety and Health Rules. These standards are available at the Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division, Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services, and the United States Government Printing Office.

**NOTE:** These standards are available at the Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division, Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services, and the United States Government Printing Office.  
 Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-210-0010**

**Criteria for Operating a Facility; Inspections**

- (1) Each facility owner shall:
  - (a) Require each individual working within the facility premises providing piercing services to be registered with the Health Licensing Office as a body-piercing technician;
  - (b) Be responsible for technicians complying with all applicable health, safety, infection control and sterilization rules and regulations of the agency and other state agencies;
  - (c) Be responsible for notifying the agency prior to employment of new registrant(s) within the facility or immediately following termination of any registrant's employment;
  - (d) Be responsible for maintaining a list of registrants employed at the facility for review by the agency upon request;
  - (e) Post risk factor notice in public view on the facility premises when open for business;
  - (f) Post name, address and telephone number of the Health Licensing Office for clients to contact regarding services, licensing issues or complaints;
  - (g) Provide a disclosure statement prescribed by the Health Licensing Office to all clients on risks involved in body-piercing services, and aftercare instructions;
  - (h) Allow an agency enforcement officer to inspect the facility when it is open for business;
  - (i) Be prohibited from exhibiting, or failing to prevent employees or technicians from exhibiting, behavior which impedes the normal progress of the inspection; and
  - (j) Arrange for the agency to inspect the premises if a year has elapsed since the last inspection and/or the agency has notified the licensee that it has attempted and been unable to conduct an inspection because the facility was closed.
- (2) Facility licenses are not transferable from person to person, business to business, or to a new location.
- (3) Acquiring a Facility: Persons purchasing an existing body-piercing facility shall:
  - (a) Meet the requirements of a new facility (refer to OAR 331-210-0000);
  - (b) Submit a new facility application, pay the application and license fees, and be issued a new facility license prior to assuming operation of the business; and
  - (c) Comply with all administrative rules of the agency concerning health, safety, infection control and sterilization requirements.

(4) Relocating a Facility: Owners of body-piercing facilities being moved to a new physical location shall:

(a) Meet the requirements of a new facility (refer to OAR 331-210-0000);

(b) Submit an application, pay the application and license fees, and be issued a new facility license prior to opening for business at the new location; and

(c) Comply with all administrative rules of the agency concerning health, safety, infection control and sterilization requirements.

(5) Closing a Facility: Facility owners closing their facilities shall inform the agency in writing by fax, mail, electronic mail, or in person within 5 calendar days of closure of the facility; if the same owner reopens the facility while the license is still current, the owner must inform the agency prior to resuming business.

(6) All premises where services are performed by body-piercing technicians must be licensed as a facility.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

### 331-210-0020

#### Body Piercing Technician Registration Qualification

(1) Body-piercing technicians must be registered with the Health Licensing Office before providing services. Registered body-piercing technicians must comply with all applicable health, safety, infection control and sterilization rules and regulations of the agency and other state agencies.

(2) To qualify for registration with the agency as a body-piercing technician, an applicant must:

(a) Be at least 18 years of age and provide a current government issued photographic documentation confirming date of birth. Acceptable documentation includes, but is not limited to a driver's license, passport or school/military/governmental records;

(b) Have successfully completed four years of standard high school education or the equivalent. Acceptable documentation includes, but is not limited to: a high school diploma, a letter from any school verifying completion of high school equivalency; military records verifying completion of a high school equivalency; or GED passing scores; and

(c) Provide satisfactory evidence of successful completion of training in the courses listed in (A) through (C) of this rule subsection. Training includes attendance or participation at an instructional program presented, recognized, or under the auspices of any permanently organized institution, agency, or professional organization or association recognized by the agency.

(A) Basic First Aid;

(B) Blood borne pathogens; and

(C) Aftercare procedures.

(3) Technicians are prohibited from providing body-piercing services outside of a licensed body-piercing facility. A registration is not transferable from person to person.

(4) Notice shall be submitted to the agency prior to any change of employment at a new facility location.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

### 331-210-0021

#### Application Requirements

(1) Individuals applying for registration to practice body piercing must meet the requirements of OAR 331-030-0000 in addition to the provisions of this rule.

(2) Applicants must submit a completed application form prescribed by the agency, which shall contain the information listed in OAR 331-030-0000(5), be accompanied by payment of the application and registration fees, provide the documentation required in OAR 331-210-0020 and include the following:

(a) Facility name, license number and business address where services are provided, including telephone number and area code; and

(b) Signed copy of the written statement affirming receipt of administrative rules and client notification brochure outlining risk factors and possible consequences of piercing.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Hist.: HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 215

### BODY PIERCING LICENSING PROGRAM: LICENSURE AND REGISTRATION ISSUANCE; RENEWAL CRITERIA

#### 331-215-0000

##### Issuance and Renewal of Facility Licenses

(1) Issuance and renewal of a facility license is subject to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010.

(2) Application for renewal shall include the following information:

(a) Facility license number and expiration date;

(b) Name and place of business, or business mailing address;

(c) Area code and telephone number; and

(d) A list of registered technicians currently providing services on the premises of facility.

(3) Failure to renew a license requires payment of the facility license expired renewal fee in order to renew the license. Refer to OAR 331-205-0030(2)(d).

(4) Failure to renew a license after one year from the expiration date requires reapplication, meeting all requirements of OAR 331-210-0000 and payment of the application and one-year license fees in order to obtain licensure.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

#### 331-215-0010

##### Issuance and Renewal of Technician Registrations

(1) Issuance of a technician registration authorizes the registrant to provide body-piercing services in a licensed facility. Issuance and renewal of a technician registration is subject to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010.

(2) Application for renewal shall include the following information:

(a) Applicant's name and current residential and mailing address;

(b) Applicant's registration number and expiration date;

(c) The facility name and license number, business address where services are being provided and business area code and telephone number.

(3) Failure to renew a registration before the expiration date requires payment of the technician registration expired renewal fee in order to renew the registration. Refer to OAR 331-205-0000(2)(h).

(4) Failure to renew a registration after one year from the date of expiration requires reapplication and payment of the application and registration fees in order to obtain a registration.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

#### 331-215-0020

##### Document Issuance

(1) Applicants who satisfactorily complete the application requirements shall be issued a license or registration by the Health Licensing Office authorizing the holder to operate a facility or provide body-piercing services according to ORS 690.510 or 690.520.

(2) Facility owners and technicians are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010 regarding issuance and renewal of a license or registration, and to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0020 regarding the authorization to practice, identification and requirements for issuance of a duplicate authorization.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570

Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

#### 331-215-0030

##### Posting of Licenses, Registrations, Disclosure Statement and Notice

Facility license holders shall post the following in public view within the premises:

(1) All facility licenses and technician registrations;

(2) A disclosure statement prescribed by the Health Licensing Office, advising of the risks and possible consequences of body-piercing services; and

(3) A notice containing the address of the agency and the procedure for filing a complaint.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.520, 676.605, 676.615, 690.550 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-215-0040**

**Piercing Services at Location Other than Named Place(s) of Business**

(1) Body-piercing services shall not be provided outside of a licensed facility.

(2) Body-piercing technicians shall not provide services at any locations other than licensed body-piercing facilities.

(3) Upon submission of a written request to the Health Licensing Office, body-piercing services may be conducted at locations other than the physical site of a licensed facility solely for the purpose of product demonstration, industry trade shows or events where the sole purpose is education and not providing services to the general public. Written authorization from the agency shall be required prior to providing piercing services.

(4) Body-piercing services offered or provided at fairs or other events must be licensed as a facility by the agency prior to assuming operation of the business.

(5) A body piercing technician may provide services outside the premises of a licensed facility on a person residing in a health care facility or confined to their residence through medical disability or restriction.

(6) Upon application, qualification and payment of fees the agency may issue a facility license for fairs, carnivals or bazaars provided compliance with safety, infection control and sterilization practices and facility requirements under OAR 331, division 220, Safety and Infection Control Standards, are met and maintained.

(7) All persons providing body-piercing services at fairs or other locations listed in subsection (3) and (4) of this rule must be registered by the agency prior to providing services.

(8) All technicians providing body-piercing services at locations listed in subsection (3) and (4) of this rule or at more than one business location must carry their registration with them and post it in public view while working.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 220**

**BODY PIERCING LICENSING PROGRAM SAFETY AND STERILIZATION STANDARDS**

**331-220-0000**

**Compliance with All Applicable Regulations**

(1) Facility license holders and registered technicians shall observe and be subject to all state regulations pertaining to public health and safety. Compliance with building, state fire, plumbing, and electrical regulations is required.

(2) In addition, when an employee/employer relationship exists, facility license holders shall comply with ORS 654 and the Oregon Safe Employment Act.

(3) The cleanliness and sanitation of any common area of separately licensed facilities in one premise is the responsibility of each license holder. Violations found in the common area may be cited against all facility license holders.

(4) Facilities and registered technicians shall use and maintain appropriate equipment for providing body-piercing services at the place of business. Equipment includes but is not limited to:

- (a) Piercing gun of non-porous material, which can be disinfected;
- (b) Single-use stainless steel needles;
- (c) Sterilization bags with color strip indicator;
- (d) Protective disposable gloves;
- (e) Single-use towels, tissues or paper products;
- (f) Sharps container; and
- (g) Approved equipment for cleaning and sterilizing instruments.

(5) Products and instruments are prohibited from being used in a manner that is disapproved by the agency or the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

(6) Facilities shall be kept clean and orderly and equipment shall be maintained in good repair.

(7) All surfaces, including counters, tables, equipment, client chairs or recliners in service areas shall be made of smooth, non-absorbent and non-porous material.

(8) A high-level disinfectant or bleach solution, used according to the manufacturer's instructions, shall be used to disinfect surfaces contaminated by blood or bodily fluids.

(9) Disposable products that come in contact with the area(s) to be pierced shall be stored in closeable clean containers.

(10) Clean, sterilized re-usable instruments shall be stored in clean, sterilized containers and must be stored separately from used or soiled tools or instruments.

(11) Chemicals shall be stored in labeled, closed containers.

(12) Clean linens, towels or single-use disposable paper products, and single-use piercing needles, piercing studs and protective gloves shall be used for each client.

(13) Clean towels and linens shall be stored in a clean area.

(14) Used linens shall be disposed of or stored in a closed or covered container until laundered.

(15) Used linens shall be laundered either by regular commercial laundering or by a non-commercial laundering process which includes use of commercial laundry detergent manufactured for the purpose of cleaning clothes, linens or other washable fabric, and immersion in hot water during the hot water wash/rinse operation.

(16) Facilities and registered technicians shall have easy access to a sink with hot and cold running water, as part of surrounding premises or adjacent to the facility but separate from a restroom.

(17) Lavatories located within the facilities shall be kept clean and in good working order at all times.

(18) All waste material related to body-piercing shall be deposited in a covered container following service for each client.

(19) All public places in a facility shall be governed under the Oregon Indoor Clean Air Act as it appears in ORS 433.835 through 433.875 and 433.990.

(20) Pets or other animals shall not be permitted in the business facility. This prohibition does not apply to registered therapy animals, trained guide animals for the disabled, sightless or hearing impaired, or to fish in aquariums or nonpoisonous reptiles in terrariums.

(21) Waste disposal container used to store cigar or cigarette ashes, cigar or cigarette butts, or other tobacco waste shall be a metal or fire-retardant container.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-220-0010**

**Approved Sterilization Modes; Procedures**

(1) All piercing instruments, which have or may come into direct contact with a client's skin or be exposed to blood or bodily fluid must be sterilized.

(2) Piercing needles shall not be re-used even if cleaned and sterilized by use of an autoclave. All piercing needles shall be single-use.

(3) Approved modes of sterilization include:

(a) Use of autoclave (steam or chemical) sterilizer, registered and listed with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, which is used, cleaned and maintained according to the manufacturer's directions;

(b) Sterilization equipment that has been approved, registered and listed with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, which is used, cleaned and maintained according to the manufacturer's directions; or

(c) Single-use prepackaged sterilized instruments obtained from suppliers or manufacturers.

(4) Facility license holders where sterilization is conducted shall conduct routine tests for the effectiveness of sterilization at least monthly using biological monitoring (commercial preparation of spores. Testing shall be conducted as follows:

(a) Chemical indicators (color change) to assure sufficient temperature and proper functioning of equipment during each sterilization cycle; and

(b) Biological monitoring system (commercial preparation of spores) to assure all microorganisms have been destroyed and sterilization achieved.

(5) Chemical and biological test indicators shall be available at the business premises at all times and test results available for inspection by the Health Licensing Office Enforcement Officers. Facilities who contract for use of sterilization equipment shall make copies of the test results available to the agency upon request. Biological test results must be on laboratory letterhead and must contain the test date, and the name, model and serial number of the unit tested. Biological test results must be retained for a two-year period.

(6) Instruments approved for re-use in providing piercing services shall be cleaned prior to sterilizing by brushing or swabbing to remove foreign material or debris, rinsing, then:

(a) Immersing in detergent and water in an ultrasonic unit that operates at 40 to 60 kilohertz, followed by a thorough rinsing and wiping; or

(b) Submerging and soaking in a protein dissolving detergent/enzyme cleaner followed by a thorough rinsing and wiping.

(7) Instruments approved for re-use in providing piercing services shall be cleaned according to subsection (3) of this rule and placed in sterile bags or containers, with color strip indicators, sterilized by exposure to one cycle of an approved sterilizer and handled using sterile techniques.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-220-0020  
 Earlobe Piercing Services**

Facilities and registered technicians who provide earlobe piercing services exclusively, shall be subject to the following standards:

(1) Facilities and registered technicians shall use a piercing instrument or gun that pierces an individual's earlobe using a sterile, encapsulated single-use stud with clasp earlobe piercing system. A pre-packaged sterilized ear-piercing stud must be inserted into the earlobe simultaneously with piercing.

(2) The piercing gun shall be made of material which can be disinfected. All parts of the gun in direct contact with the client's skin shall be disinfected with a high-level disinfectant before being used on a client.

(3) Single-use prepackaged sterilized ear piercing studs shall be used for each client.

(4) Single use piercing instruments must be discarded in a medical waste container immediately after use.

(5) Facilities and registered technicians providing earlobe-piercing services exclusively using a manufactured earlobe piercing gun and single-use prepackaged sterilized ear studs are exempted from use of an autoclave.

(6) Earlobe piercing services shall be conducted in an area of the facility, which is separately maintained from other business activities or services as defined in OAR 331-205-0020(21).

(7) New or disinfected piercing gun tools shall be stored separately from used or soiled tools or instruments.

(8) Facilities and registered technicians shall comply with the licensing, registration and safety/infection control regulations of OAR 331, divisions 200 through 225.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-220-0030  
 Handling Disposable Materials**

(1) Disposable materials coming into contact with blood and/or bodily fluids shall be disposed of in a sealable plastic bag (separate from sealable trash or garbage liners) or in a manner that not only protects the technician and the client but also others who may come into contact with the material such as sanitation workers.

(2) Disposable sharp objects that come in contact with blood and/or body fluids shall be disposed of in a sealable rigid (puncture proof) sharps container that is strong enough to protect the technician and client and others from accidental cuts or puncture wounds that could happen during the disposal process.

(3) Facilities shall have sealable plastic bags available. They shall also have sealable rigid containers available at the facility if disposable sharp objects are used.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-220-0040  
 Communicable and Blood Borne Diseases**

Facility owners and registered technicians shall be responsible for adhering to the following standards:

(1) A technician or an employee is prohibited from providing body-piercing services or working in a facility while having a disease or condition which has been diagnosed by a physician to be a communicable or transmissible disease. Refer to OAR 331-205-0020(6).

(2) A technician or employee shall not diagnose or treat any suspected communicable disease or condition or knowingly provide body-piercing services on clients with communicable diseases or conditions. Refer to OAR 331-205-0020(6).

(3) A technician providing service or working in a facility after diagnosis of immunodeficiency disease or condition or Hepatitis B, C, or D shall observe and follow all current Centers for Disease Control (CDC) standards for public service workers regarding personal protection equipment and disposal of blood or bodily fluid contaminated articles, tools and equipment. These standards shall also apply to technicians or employees providing services to clients who have been diagnosed with having an immunodeficiency disease or condition or Hepatitis B, C, or D.

**NOTE:** It is the position of the Health Licensing Office that human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) is the cause of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) and related immunodeficiency conditions. This virus, as well as Hepatitis B virus (HBV), Hepatitis C virus (HCV) and Hepatitis D virus (HDV), may be transmitted by sharp instruments contaminated by blood or other body fluids, if proper precautions are not followed. As the carriers of these viruses may have no symptoms, the most prudent course to follow is to treat body fluids from all persons with the same high standards of caution and to rigorously follow established safety and sanitation practices as required by the law and rules of the Agency. There is no published evidence to support casual transmission of HIV, by sneezing or touching, even in close household settings involving AIDS patients and family members caring for them at home. Because HIV is not spread by casual means and because of the inadequacies of the HIV antibody test, there is no reason for the Agency to require blood tests prior to registration and/or licensure. Good hand washing after glove removal and between each client is imperative and the most important procedure for prevention of all infections, including HIV. Uniform body fluid precautions are ample to prevent transmission of HIV or HBV, HCV and/or HDV in a facility setting.  
 Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-220-0050  
 Serving Clients**

Facility owners and registered technicians shall be responsible for adhering to the following standards while serving clients in the facility:

(1) Technicians shall observe and follow thorough hand washing with soap and water or equivalent hand washing product before and after serving each client and as needed to prevent cross contamination and/or transmission of bodily fluids, infections or exposure to service related wastes or chemicals.

(2) Technicians shall cleanse the client's skin, excluding the areas surrounding the eyes, by washing with a U.S. Food and Drug Administration registered antiseptic solution applied with a clean single-use paper product before and after piercing the client's skin.

(3) All substances shall be dispensed from containers in a manner to prevent contamination of the unused portion. Single use tubes or containers and applicators shall be discarded following the piercing service.

(4) Use of any type of marking pen must be on cleansed skin or by use of a surgical marking pen sanitized by design, such as alcohol based ink pens.

(5) Use of styptic pencils or alum solids to control blood flow is prohibited.

(6) Aftercare shall be administered to each client following service. Aftercare shall consist of both verbal and written instructions concerning proper care of the pierced area. Instructions shall specify:

(a) Care following service;

- (b) Possible side effects; and
- (c) Restrictions.
- (7) Technicians who have open sores or bleeding lesions on their hands shall not have client contact until the lesions have healed to the scab phase.
- (8) As a standard precaution against the possibility of cross-contamination, technicians shall wear single-use disposable protective gloves when providing service.
- (9) Technicians shall wear eye goggles, shields and/or a mask if spattering is possible while providing services.
- (10) Disposable materials that come in contact with blood or bodily fluids shall be discarded according to provisions of OAR 331-220-0030 to protect the technician, clients and others who may come into contact with the material.
- (11) Disposable cups shall be available for customers' use if beverages are served in facilities, and disposed of after use by the same methods as other waste materials.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-220-0060  
 Client Records**

- (1) Facilities shall maintain client records. The record shall include the following for each client:
  - (a) Name, address, telephone number and date of birth of client;
  - (b) Date of each service, body location and type of service performed on client;
  - (c) Name and registration number of the technician providing service and special instructions or notations relating to the client's medical or skin conditions;
  - (d) Complete list of the client's sensitivities to medicines or topical solutions;
  - (e) History of the client's bleeding disorders;
  - (f) Description of complications during procedure(s);
  - (g) Copy of signed statement that the client has received educational material and aftercare instructions;
  - (h) Proof of age consisting of one of the following:
    - (A) Copy of current government issued photographic identification;
    - (B) Written record of the type of current government issued photographic Identification presented with the identification number; or
    - (C) If client is a minor, written parental consent. As stated in OAR 331-220-0080(1)(d)(B) written parental consent must be submitted in person to the facility for piercing services on a minor. Parent or legal guardian must present current government issued photographic identification at the time of written consent.
- (2) Facility owners and technicians may obtain advice from physicians regarding medical Information needed to safeguard client and technician.
- (3) Records shall be kept at facility premises for a minimum of two years and must be made available immediately upon request from an enforcement officer of the Health Licensing Office.
- (4) Pre-service information in written form shall be given to client to advise of possible reactions, side effects and potential complications of the body-piercing process. Aftercare instructions shall be given to the client both verbally and in writing after every service.
- (5) Client records must be typed or printed in a legible format. Client records, which are not readable by enforcement officers, will be treated as incomplete. Incomplete records may subject the facility to civil penalties.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.530 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.530 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-220-0080  
 Prohibitions**

- (1) Piercing is prohibited:
  - (a) On a person who is inebriated or appears to be incapacitated by the use of alcohol or drugs;
  - (b) On a person who show signs of recent intravenous drug use;
  - (c) On a person with sunburn, communicable skin diseases or disorders such as open lesions, rashes, and wounds or puncture marks;
  - (d) On a person under 18 years of age;

- (A) Genital or nipple piercing is prohibited regardless of parental consent.
- (B) Written parental consent must be submitted in person to the facility for piercing services on a minor. Parent or legal guardian must present current government issued photographic identification at time of written consent.
  - (2) Use of personal client jewelry or any apparatus or device presented by the client for use during the initial body (including ears) piercing is prohibited. Pre-sterilized jewelry, apparatus or device(s) shall be provided by the facility and be of a metallic content recognized as compatible with piercing services.
  - (3) Use of piercing guns shall be limited to piercing of the earlobe as defined in OAR 331-205-0020(10) exclusively. No other part of the body or ear shall be pierced by use of a piercing gun.
  - (4) Piercing with a manual loading spring operated piercing gun is prohibited.
  - (5) Piercing the earlobe with any type of piercing gun which does not use the presterilized encapsulated stud and clasp system is prohibited.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.507, 690.530 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.507, 690.530 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 225**

**BODY PIERCING LICENSING PROGRAM  
 DISCIPLINE AND ENFORCEMENT**

**331-225-0000  
 Investigative Authority**

The Health Licensing Office may initiate and conduct investigations of matters relating to the practice of body piercing, pursuant to ORS 676.608 and 676.618, and may take appropriate disciplinary action in accordance with the provisions of ORS 676.612 and 690.515.  
 Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.608, 676.612, 676.615, 676.992, 690.515 & 690.570  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.608, 676.612, 676.615, 676.992, 690.515 & 690.570  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0020  
 Schedule of Penalties for Facility Licenses Violations**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violation of the following facility license laws and rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

- (1) Operating a facility by a registered technician without first filing a facility application, paying the fees, and receiving a facility license is a violation of ORS 690.507(2) and OAR 331-210-0010(6) and shall incur the following penalties:
  - (a) For 1st offense: \$200;
  - (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
  - (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license.
- (2) Operating a facility with an expired license is a violation of ORS 690.507(2), 690.520(4) and OAR 331-030-0010(4) and shall incur the following penalties:
  - (a) For 1st offense: \$200;
  - (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
  - (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license.
- (3) Operating a facility without a facility license by a person who is not registered or is suspended is a violation of ORS 690.507(2) and OAR 331-215-0040(1) and shall incur the following penalties:
  - (a) For 1st offense: \$500;
  - (b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;
  - (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license.

(4) Allowing an unregistered person to provide services in a licensed facility is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(i), 690.507(1) and OAR 331-210-0010(1)(a) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$500;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license.

(5) Failing to allow the agency to inspect the premises when the facility is open or obstructing or hindering the normal progress of the inspection, threatening or exerting physical harm, or enabling another individual to impede the inspection progress is a violation of OAR 331-210-0010(1)(h) and/or (i) and ORS 676.612(1)(h) and/or (o) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$500;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(6) Allowing an employee to provide services with an expired registration is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(i), 690.507(1) and OAR 331-210-0010(1)(a) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$200;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license.

(7) Failing to meet the specifications and standards required under OAR 331-210-0000(9) in a facility is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(1) and shall incur immediate suspension of the facility license until the violation is corrected.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.992 & 690.515  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1996, f. & cert. ef. 4-1-96; HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0030**

**Schedule of Penalties for Registration Violations**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violation of the following registration laws and rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation.

(1) Operating with an expired technician registration is a violation of ORS 690.507(1), OAR 331-030-0010(4) and 331-210-0020(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$200;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a registration.

(2) Performing services without a registration, with a registration issued to another person, or a suspended registration is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(d) or 676.612(4) or 690.507(1) and OAR 331-210-0020(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$500;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a registration.

(3) Providing services as a registrant in an unlicensed facility is a violation of ORS 690.507(2) and OAR 331-215-0040(2) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$200;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

(4) Failing as a registrant to inform the agency within 30 calendar days of a change of employment with a facility is a violation of OAR 331-010-0040(1)(d) and/or 331-020-0040(1)(e) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$150.

(5) Failing to notify the agency of a move or a change of home address within 30 calendar days of the change is a violation of OAR 331-010-0040(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
  - (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
  - (c) For 3rd offense: \$150.
- Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.992 & 690.515  
 Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0040**

**Schedule of Penalties for License/Registration Violations**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violation of the following license/registration laws and rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Altering a facility license and/or technician registration issued by the agency is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(a), (c), and (j) and OAR 331-020-0070(2)(e) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$500;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(2) Failing to post a facility license and/or technician registration in a publicly visible place within the facility is a violation of ORS 690.520(5) and/or 690.510(4) and OAR 331-215-0030(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration. Posting of photocopies, reproductions, and pocket identification cards will be cited as failure to post.

(3) Failing to return or surrender a facility license and/or technician registration upon demand by the agency is a violation of OAR 331-030-0020(5) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(4) Failing to provide appropriate photographic identification upon request by the agency is violation of OAR 331-030-0020(4) and ORS 676.612(1)(o) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$300;
  - (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
  - (c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.
- Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.992 & 690.515  
 Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0050**

**Schedule of Penalties for Water Supply and Disposal Violations**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and sanitation rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Failing to have immediate access to both hot and cold running water is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(17) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(2) Failing to have a water supply that meets state pressure and purity requirements is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(1) and shall

incur the following penalty for any offense: Referral of the violation to the appropriate building code authority and immediate suspension of the facility license until the violation is corrected.

(3) Improperly disposing of liquid waste from a facility is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(1) and shall incur the following penalty for any offense: Referral of the violation to the appropriate building code authority and immediate suspension of the facility license until the violation is corrected.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560

Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

### 331-225-0060

#### Schedule of Penalties for Towels and Linens Violations

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and sanitation rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Failing to use clean towels or linens for each client is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(13); and/or failing to launder towels and linens as required is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(16), and shall incur the following penalties for each violation:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$300.

(2) Failing to store clean towels and linens in a clean area is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(14) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$300.

(3) Failing to deposit soiled towels in a covered container is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(15) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$150.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560

Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

### 331-225-0070

#### Schedule of Penalties for Waste Disposal Violations

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and infection control rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Failing to immediately deposit all waste materials in a closed container at the conclusion of each service is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(19) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$300.

(2) Failing to store cigarette ashes, butts, etc. in a fire-retardant container is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(22) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$150.

(3) Failing to dispose of disposable material coming into contact with blood or

other bodily fluids in a sealable plastic bag is a violation of OAR 331-220-0030(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(4) Failing to dispose of disposable sharp-edged material coming into contact with blood or other bodily fluids in a sealable rigid container is a violation of OAR 331-220-0030(2) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(5) Failing to have sealable plastic bags and sealable rigid containers available for use at all times services are being performed is a violation of OAR 331-220-0030(3) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560

Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

### 331-225-0080

#### Schedule of Penalties for Earlobe Piercing Facility Requirements

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and infection control rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Failing to use a piercing gun in accordance to manufacturer's design and specifications is a violation of OAR 331-220-0020(1), 331-220-0080(3), (4) and

(5) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;

(c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(2) Failing to use a high-level disinfectant according to manufacturer's instructions to disinfect a piercing gun prior to use on a client, is a violation of OAR 331-220-0020(2) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;

(c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(3) Failing to use single-use prepackaged sterilized ear-piercing studs for each client is a violation of OAR 331-220-0020(3) and OAR 331-220-0080(2) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$300;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;

(c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(4) Failing to separate earlobe-piercing operation areas from other business activities is a violation of OAR 331-220-0020(6) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;

(c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license.

(5) Failing to store disinfected piercing gun(s) from soiled or used guns, tools or instruments is a violation of OAR 331-220-0020(7) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;

(c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560

Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0090****Schedule of Penalties for Sterilization Requirements of Tools and Implements Violations**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and infection control rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Failing to sterilize all piercing instruments that come in contact with client's skin or are exposed to body fluids is a violation of OAR 331-220-0010(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$300;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(2) Using a piercing needle to provide more than a single piercing is a violation of OAR 331-220-0010(2) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$300;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(3) Failing to sterilize equipment using an approved mode or to use pre-packaged sterilized instruments is a violation of OAR 331-220-0010(3) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(4) Failing to conduct required tests of sterilization modes is a violation of OAR 331-220-0010(4) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(5) Failing to provide the results of the required tests on the sterilization modes upon demand by a state inspector is a violation of OAR 331-220-0010(5)

and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(6) Failing to properly clean instruments prior to sterilization process is a violation of OAR 331-220-0010(6) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(7) Failing to properly sterilize reusable instruments prior to use on clients is a violation of OAR 331-220-0010(7) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$300;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560

Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0100****Schedule of Penalties for Cleanable/Non-Absorbent Surfaces Violations**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and sanitation rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent

offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Failing to have cleanable, non-absorbent surfaces on all equipment in all areas of a facility where services are performed is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(8) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$300.

(2) Failing to use and maintain appropriate equipment in a facility is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(5) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(3) Using products and/or instruments in a manner disapproved by the agency or the U.S. Food and Drug Administration is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(6) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$300;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(4) Failing to disinfect surfaces or blood spills using a high level disinfectant is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(9) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560

Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0110****Schedule of Penalties for Clean Conditions Violations**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and sanitation rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Failing to keep a restroom located on the premises of a facility clean and sanitary is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(18) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(2) Failing to keep the facility clean, orderly and the equipment in good repair is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(7) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(3) Failing to keep disposable products in clean closeable containers is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(10) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(4) Failing to keep or store sterilized instruments in a sterile package/container is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(11) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(5) Failing to use clean single use products for each client is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(13) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;

- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
  - (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.
- Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560  
 Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0120  
 Schedule of Penalties for Client Health and Safety Violations**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and sanitation rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Failing to provide disposable drinking cups when beverages are served in a facility is a violation of OAR 331-220-0050(11) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$200.

(2) Failing to wear single-use disposable protective gloves while performing any service on a client is a violation of OAR 331-220-0050(8) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(3) Performing services while diagnosed with a communicable disease, open sores, bleeding lesions or condition in a transmittable form is a violation of OAR 331-220-0040(1) and/or OAR 331-220-0050(7) and shall incur immediate suspension until the disease or condition is no longer communicable.

(4) Treating any disease or knowingly serving any client having a communicable disease or condition is a violation of OAR 331-220-0040(2) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$250;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(5) Performing services without washing one's hands immediately before and after serving each client is a violation of OAR 331-220-0050(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(6) Failing to properly prepare client's skin prior to providing a service is a violation of OAR 331-220-0050(2) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(7) Failing to have an operator or designated service area is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(4) and/or OAR 331-220-0020(6) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$200.

(8) Failing to prepare skin prior to marking or use of an improper marking pen is a violation of OAR 331-220-0050(4) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$200.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560  
 Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0130  
 Schedule of Penalties for Safe Working Conditions Violations**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the follow-

ing safety and sanitation rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Unless a waiver has been obtained, failing to meet the requirements of the Oregon Indoor Clean Air Act is a violation of OAR 331-210-0010(1)(b), 331-220-0000(1) and ORS 433.835 through 433.990 and will be referred to the Department of Human Services, Health Services.

(2) Having frayed electrical wiring or overloading the electrical circuits in a facility is a violation of OAR 331-210-0010(1)(b) and 331-220-0000(1) and will be referred to the appropriate authority:

(3) Having non-permitted pets in facilities, is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(21) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$300.

(4) Failing to wear eye goggles, shields or mask in performing services on a client where the probability of splattering is present is a violation of OAR 331-220-0050(9) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$300.

(5) Using a styptic pencil or alum solid to control blood flow is a violation of OAR 331-220-0050(5) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$200.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560  
 Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0140  
 Schedule of Penalties for Chemical or Product Use and Storage Violations**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and sanitation rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Failing to store chemicals safely to avoid fire, explosion and/or bodily harm to clients and registrants is a violation of OAR 331-210-0010(1)(b) and 331-220-0000(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(2) Dispensing chemicals or substances in a manner that contaminates the unused portion is a violation of OAR 331-220-0050(3) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$300.

(3) Failure to store chemicals in a labeled closed container is a violation of OAR 331-220-0000(12) and shall incur following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$300.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560  
 Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0150****Schedule of Penalties for Required Information and Client Records**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and infection control rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Failure to post in public view required disclosure statement of risks is a violation of OAR 331-210-0010(1)(e) and 331-215-0030(2) and shall incur the following penalty:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

(2) Failure to post agency's address and procedure for filing a complaint is a violation of OAR 331-210-0010(1)(f) and 331-215-0030(3) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

(3) Failure to properly complete client records or include the required information is a violation of OAR 331-220-0060(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;

(c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(4) Failure to maintain complete client records at the facility premises is a violation of OAR 331-220-0060(3) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license.

(5) Failure to provide required pre-service information to the client is a violation of OAR 331-210-0010(1)(g) and 331-220-0060(4) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

(6) Failure to provide required aftercare information both verbally and in writing to the client is a violation of OAR 331-210-0010(1)(g), 331-220-0050(6) and 331-220-0060(4) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$100;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560

Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**331-225-0160****Schedule of Penalties for Performing Prohibited Services**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd violations of the following safety and sanitation rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For the 4th and subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply. Imposition of a civil penalty under the following schedule does not preclude the agency from imposing any other sanction authorized by law, including refusing to issue a facility license or technician registration revocation, suspension or probation:

(1) Piercing other than the earlobe with a piercing gun is a violation of OAR 331-220-0080(3) and shall incur the following penalty:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$500;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;

(c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(2) Providing a piercing service that is prohibited is a violation of OAR 331-220-0080 and ORS 676.612(1)(j) and shall incur the following penalty:

(a) For 1st offense: \$1,000;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;

(c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

(3) Using personal client jewelry for initial piercing is a violation of OAR 331-220-0080(2) and shall incur the following penalty:

(a) For 1st offense: \$500;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;

(c) For 3rd offense: A penalty and/or the proposed revocation, suspension or refusal to issue a license and/or registration.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.992 & 690.515

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.560

Hist.: HDLP 4-2001, f. & cert. ef. 11-1-01; HLO 7-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 405****GENERAL ADMINISTRATION****331-405-0020****Definitions**

The following definitions apply to OAR chapter 331, divisions 400 through 430:

(1) "Affidavit of Licensure" means an original document verifying licensing history and status, including information disclosing all unresolved or outstanding penalties and disciplinary actions. The document is issued and signed by the regulatory authority in the state which issued the license with an official seal or stamp affixed to the document; it is not the certificate or license form issued which authorizes the holder to practice.

(2) "Agency" means the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. The agency is responsible for the budget, personnel, performance-based outcomes, consumer protection, fee collection, mediation, complaint resolution, discipline, rulemaking and record keeping.

(3) "Board" means — The State Board of Denture Technology.

(4) "Clinical procedures" means the tasks and activities that are set forth in ORS 680.500(5)(b).

(5) "Contact hours" means actual academic, classroom, or course work time, including but not limited to workshops, symposiums, seminars, or laboratory exercises. Contact hours do not include travel time to or from the training site, registration or check-in periods, breaks or lunch periods.

(6) "Dentist" as used in 680.545, OAR 331-410-0000 and 331-410-0010 means a person licensed to practice in the jurisdiction in which the practice occurred.

(7) "Direct supervision" means that the supervisor is present in the facility for the purpose of providing oversight and training and is responsible for guiding and monitoring the performance of the individual supervised. Training under the direct supervision of a school means under the direct supervision of a teacher employed by the school.

(8) "Director" means the Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(9) "Employed by" means other than independent contractor relationship and does not require remuneration.

(10) "Equivalent" means substantially comparable but not identical, covering the same subject matter.

(11) "Examination", as used in OL 2005, Ch. 415, Section 2 and OAR 331-410-0020 and 331-410-0030, means a denture technology written or practical examination administered by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, or a denture technology examination administered by another licensing authority that has been recognized and approved by the Board as being equivalent to the Oregon examination.

(12) "Informed Consent" means the consent obtained following a thorough and easily understood explanation to the patient, or patient's guardian, of the proposed procedures, any available alternative procedures and any risks associated with the procedures. Following the explanation, the licensee shall ask the patient, or the patient's guardian, if there are any questions. The licensee shall provide thorough and easily understood answers to questions asked.

(13) "Laboratory procedures" means those tasks and activities that are set forth in ORS 680.500(5)(a).

(14) "Official transcript" means an original document certified by a school or educational institution, on a form approved by the Department of Education or regulating authority, delivered from the school to the agency by mail or courier, which includes:

- (a) School name and location;
- (b) Student's name, address and date of birth;
- (c) Enrollment and completion or termination dates;
- (d) Hours and types of course work;
- (e) Final examination scores;
- (f) School seal or stamp;
- (g) Signature of authorized school representative or registrar.

(15) "Oral pathology" means the pathology that deals with the nature, identification, and management of diseases affecting the oral and maxillofacial regions. It is a science that investigates the causes, processes, and effects of these diseases.

(16) "Premises" means the structure in which laboratory and/or clinical procedures are performed, not necessarily the same room in which procedures take place.

(17) "Predominant" means located within the place of business and positioned so it may be seen and read without difficulty by consumers who have entered the place of business.

(18) "Restoration" means licensure of a previously licensed person, who has not made application for renewal within three years of expiration of the previous license.

(19) "1,000 hours in the practice of denture technology under direct supervision" or "1,000 hours of clinical and laboratory training in an approved work experience program" means engaging in the clinical and laboratory procedures of the practice of denture technology, over a period of not less than six months and not more than two years pursuant to ORS 680.510(3), with a minimum of 400 hours devoted to clinical procedures. The 1,000 hours under direct supervision shall include construction of no less than 40 units of upper or lower dentures, with a set counting as two units, and must include at least one each of the following: full, immediate, removable partial, removable implant and over-denture.

(20) "Treatment" means the clinical or laboratory procedures in the practice of denture technology.

(21) "Valid license" means the authority to practice pursuant to ORS 680 that has not been revoked, suspended, or expired without renewal.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.565  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.565  
 Hist.: HD 11-1979(Temp), f. & ef. 8-23-79; HD 2-1980, f. & ef. 2-14-80; HD 12-1981(Temp), f. & ef. 7-15-81; HD 1-1983, f. & ef. 1-20-83; HD 4-1988, f. & cert. ef. 3-4-88; HD 25-1988 (Temp), f. & cert. ef. 11-1-88; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 10-1989, f. & cert. ef. 11-21-89; HD 13-1991(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 9-30-91; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0005; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 1-2003, f. 1-21-03, cert. ef. 2-1-03; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 2-2005, f. 12-15-05, cert. ef. 1-1-06

**331-405-0030 Fees**

(1) Applicants and licensees are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-010-0010 and 331-010-0020 regarding the payment of fees, penalties and charges.

- (2) Fees established by the Health Licensing are as follows:
  - (a) \$695 — Initial dentist license or relicensure fee.
  - (b) \$695 — Dentist license renewal fee.
  - (c) \$50 — Delinquency fee (late renewal).
  - (d) \$150 — Restoration of license fee.
  - (e) \$50 — Replacement or duplicate license fee.
  - (f) \$100 — Application fee (licensure or training registration).
  - (g) Scheduled examination or re-examination fees:
    - (A) \$275 — Written examination;
    - (B) \$525 — Practical examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 680.525  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 680.525  
 Hist.: HD 11-1979(Temp), f. & ef. 8-23-79; HD 2-1980, f. & ef. 2-14-80; HD 11-1981(Temp), f. & ef. 7-15-81; HD 9-1985(Temp), f. & ef. 5-24-85; HD 15-1985, f. & ef. 9-4-85; HD 25-1988(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 11-1-88; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 13-1991(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 9-30-91; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0035; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 3-2003, f. 5-6-03, cert. ef. 5-15-03; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 2-2005, f. 12-15-05, cert. ef. 1-1-06

**331-405-0045**

**Allocation of Responsibility**

As set forth in ORS 680.556, the State Board of Denture Technology advises the Oregon Health Licensing Agency on matters relating to the practice of denture technology. The Director controls the regulatory operations and has decision-making authority on all substantive matters and is responsible for the performance of the agency as defined in ORS 686.610.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 680.525  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 680.525  
 Hist.: HLO 2-2005, f. 12-15-05, cert. ef. 1-1-06

**DIVISION 410**

**LICENSURE**

**331-410-0000**

**Training**

(1) Training, or formal education, required for licensure is a planned sequence of instruction of specific content, pursuant to ORS 680.515, structured to meet stated curriculum objectives which includes evaluation of attainment of those objectives; offered by a post-secondary educational institution or equivalent training as determined following evaluation by educational professional(s) from the Governor's Office of Education Work Force Policy/Office of Degree Authorization. The Governor's Office of Education and Work Force Policy/Office of Degree Authorization will be consulted in the evaluation of the program, including but not limited to school accreditation, instructor credentials, and lecture and lab hours as they equate to standard academic credit hours.

(2) The education or training to be approved by the agency pursuant to ORS 680.515(2) in consultation with the Board, shall meet the curriculum objectives as established by the agency. Current lists of the curriculum objectives and approved training courses are available at the agency during regular business hours.

(3) All individuals or institutions requesting approval of a course or training program must submit a copy of the curriculum, a list of educational materials, books audiovisual aids, and a copy of handouts and tests to the agency for review to ensure the program meets established training standards and curriculum objectives. The following conditions will apply:

- (a) No curriculum shall be approved without submission of complete curriculum documentation;
- (b) The agency shall retain a copy of the approved curriculum on file as part of the official permanent record;
- (c) Approved education and training program curricula shall be reevaluated for approval every three years or when any portion of the curriculum is modified, or where changes in denture technology or health practices make it necessary. Approved programs existing on the effective date of this rule are subject to immediate re-evaluation, whichever occurs first; and
- (d) The agency shall incur any reasonable duplication costs associated with complying with the provisions mandated in ORS 680.515.

(4) To qualify as "equivalent supervised experience" under ORS 680.515(1)(b) or as an "approved work experience program" under ORS 680.515(1)(c), experience must be under the direct supervision of an approved school, of a dentist, or of a dentist. If the work experience is under the direct supervision of a dentist or dentist, the supervising dentist or dentist must:

- (a) Apply in advance on a form approved by the agency, and obtain approval from the agency, before beginning the direct supervision;
- (b) Hold a valid license to practice and have been in practice for at least the last three years;
- (c) Hold an oral pathology endorsement, if the supervisor is a dentist;
- (d) Operate a clinic and an on-site laboratory where the direct supervision and training will occur;
- (e) Certify in writing to the agency that the facility where the training will take place complies with OAR chapter 331, division 420, Practice Standards;
- (f) Supervise no more than two dentist trainees at a time;

(g) Disclose to the agency all prior disciplinary action by their licensing board and, if previously disciplined by their licensing board, obtain Board approval prior to any supervising dentist trainee;

(h) Provide no more than two years of direct supervision to any individual dentist trainee undergoing the initial training required in ORS 680.515(1)(b), or no more than one year of direct supervision to any applicant undergoing additional clinical training required in ORS 680.515(1)(c);

(i) Obtain signed informed consent from a client or patient before a dentist trainee may perform services for the client or patient;

(j) Ensure that a dentist trainee is clearly identified as a trainee to clients and patients.

(5) Credit for courses completed within the five years immediately prior to making application, which cover those subjects listed in ORS 680.515(1)(a), may be counted toward completion of schooling requirements for a denture technology program.

(6) Documentation to prove completion of an Associate Degree program in denture technology or the equivalent program, shall be official school transcripts from the agency approved schools, and may include published course outlines showing that training included curriculum objectives as determined by the agency in consultation with the Board and the Governor's Office of Education Work Force Policy/Office of Degree Authorization.

(7) Documentation to prove additional training to satisfy ORS 680.515(1)(b) in a work experience program shall be:

(a) Official transcripts from the approved school, and a description of training content, hours of clinical and laboratory training, examination scores, school location, dates of attendance, and the name of the supervisor; or

(b) Signed statement from the dentist or dentist certifying dates of training, places of employment, description of training content, and verification that work included both clinical procedures and laboratory procedures.

(8) Any dentist trainee who makes more than two (2) changes in supervision must receive approval from the Board prior to making another change in their supervision and training.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 680.515

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 680.515

Hist.: HD 11-1979(Temp), f. & ef. 8-23-79; HD 2-1980, f. & ef. 2-14-80; HD 1-1983, f. & ef. 1-20-83; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 10-1989, f. & cert. ef. 11-21-89; HD 13-1991(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 9-30-91; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0040; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 1-2003, f. 1-21-03, cert. ef. 2-1-03; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 2-2005, f. 12-15-05, cert. ef. 1-1-06

### 331-410-0010

#### Documentation of Experience

(1) Applicants shall document satisfactory completion of at least 1,000 hours of required work experience in the practice of denture technology pursuant to ORS 680.515(1)(b), under the direct supervision of an approved school, a licensed dentist or a licensed dentist, while employed by the dentist or dentist.

(2) Any person making application shall submit documentation of denture technology experience or equivalent in practice as follows:

(a) For practice under the direct supervision of an approved school, transcript or completion document from the school certifying at least 1,000 hours under direct supervision.

(b) For practice in the employment of a dentist or dentist, a statement on forms provided by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency of verification of employment and practice from the dentist or dentist that includes the dates of employment, number of hours worked in each category, and number of denture units constructed and fitted. The statement shall be signed by the dentist or dentist and the individual who received training. The statement shall be mailed or delivered from the dentist or dentist to the agency.

(3) Documentation of denture technology experience will not be accepted if it is incomplete, not signed or includes work experience obtained prior to approval of the direct supervision and training relationship by the Board under OAR 331-410-0000(4).

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.515 & 680.565

Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.515 & 680.565

Hist.: HD 11-1979(Temp), f. & ef. 8-23-79; HD 2-1980, f. & ef. 2-14-80; HD 25-1988(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 11-1-88; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 10-1989, f. & cert. ef. 11-21-89; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0025; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 2-2005, f. 12-15-05, cert. ef. 1-1-06

### 331-410-0020

#### Application Requirements

(1) An applicant for a license to practice denture technology must:

(a) Comply with the requirements of OAR 331-030-0000;

(b) Submit a completed application on a form prescribed by the agency;

(c) Pay the fees required by OAR 331-405-0030; and

(d) Submit documentation establishing completion of the requirements of one of the three pathways described in this rule.

(2) PATHWAY ONE Approved Education and Training with an Oregon Examination. An applicant may qualify for licensure by demonstrating:

(a) Completion of a program of education that has been approved by the agency under OAR 331-410-0000;

(b) Completion of 1,000 hours of practice in denture technology under direct supervision of an approved school or the equivalent supervised experience described in OAR 331-410-0000(4); and

(c) Successful completion of the Oregon written and practical examination described in OAR 331-410-0030.

(3) PATHWAY TWO Approved Education and Training with an Examination Recognized or Approved by the Board. An applicant may qualify for licensure by demonstrating:

(a) Completion of a program of education that has been approved by the agency under OAR 331-410-0000;

(b) Completion of 1,000 hours of practice in denture technology under direct supervision of an approved school or the equivalent supervised experience described in OAR 331-410-0000(4); and

(c) Successful completion of a written and practical examination approved or recognized by the Board pursuant to ORS 680.515(1)(c).

(4) PATHWAY THREE License by Credential. An applicant who is licensed to practice denture technology in another state may qualify for licensure in Oregon by:

(a) Satisfying the requirements of OL 2005, ch. 415, section 2;

(b) Submitting a signed and completed form prescribed by the agency to document the hours of practice required by OL 2005, ch. 415, section 2(4);

(c) Arranging for the licensing authority of the state in which the applicant is licensed to send directly to the agency an original "Affidavit of Licensure" that:

(A) Verifies that the applicant holds a current valid license in good standing to practice denture technology in that state;

(B) Describes the applicant's history of discipline by the licensing authority, including a description of all prior disciplinary actions, all unresolved complaints, and all pending disciplinary actions; and

(C) Is signed before a notary by the person preparing the "Affidavit of Licensure" and sealed with the official seal or stamp of the licensing authority.

(5) The "Affidavit of Licensure" described in paragraph (4)(c) of this rule may be transmitted electronically to the agency so long as the affidavit is transmitted directly from the licensing authority of the other state. The applicant must pay any fee charged by the licensing authority of the other state for producing and transmitting the affidavit.

(6) Any application that is not successfully completed within two years of the initial application date or the date on which the last examination was taken, whichever is later, will be treated by the agency as withdrawn, and the applicant must submit a new application, new supporting documentation, and new application fees to apply for licensure.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.515 & 680.565

Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.515 & 680.565

Hist.: HD 11-1979(Temp), f. & ef. 8-23-79; HD 2-1980, f. & ef. 2-14-80; HD 25-1989(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 11-1-88; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 10-1989, f. & cert. ef. 11-21-89; HD 13-1991(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 9-30-91; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0015; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HDLP 1-2002, f. 5-31-02, cert. ef. 6-1-02; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 2-2005, f. 12-15-05, cert. ef. 1-1-06

### 331-410-0030

#### Examinations

(1) The agency will notify qualified applicants of their eligibility to take the Oregon written and practical licensing examinations. Applicants must take both parts of the examination on their initial attempt, unless the applicant has previously completed and passed a board approved practical examination before submitting application for Oregon licensure.

(2) The Oregon licensing examination consists of two parts: a written examination and a practical examination:

(a) The written examination is comprised of multiple-choice questions covering subject areas specified in ORS 680.515(1)(a) and questions on the Oregon laws and rules regulating the practice of denture technology.

(b) The practical examination requires the applicant to demonstrate skills required to practice denture technology, including but not limited to: patient evaluation, maxillary and mandibular custom tray and final impressions, maxillary and mandibular preliminary and final cast evaluation, evaluation of maxillary and mandibular wax-up on an articulator and evaluation of maxillary and mandibular functional wax-tray-in.

(3) Practical Exam Requirement: To be scheduled for an Oregon practical examination, applicants must submit documentation and pay required fees at least 30 calendar days prior to the examination date. A schedule of practical examination dates is available at the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(4) The Health Licensing Office will notify each applicant, in writing by regular US Postal Service, of the results of his/her examination score within 30 days from the date of the examination. Results will not be given by any other means.

(5) The applicant must satisfactorily complete all parts of the examination to pass. Those that fail may repeat the parts not passed upon submission of a supplemental application for examination, examination fee for each part to be retaken, and documentation of additional training if applicable.

(6) Passing score for the written examination is 70 percent or higher. The practical examination is scored on a pass or fail basis. The portions will be scored individually, not added or averaged together.

(7) Passing scores will be maintained towards meeting licensure requirements only for the periods set forth in OAR 331-410-0020(6).

(8) Applicants taking the examination will be required to present government issued photographic identification such as a driver's license and their original Social Security card at the examination.

(9) Additional Clinical Training: As required in ORS 680.515(1)(c), the Board will prescribe additional hours of clinical and laboratory training in an approved work experience program for applicants who fail the Oregon practical examination.

(a) Additional hours of clinical and laboratory training must meet requirements of OAR 331-410-000(4).

(b) Notwithstanding any other rule, the applicant must complete the additional clinical and laboratory training within one year from the date of the failed practical examination.

(10) An applicant, who fails to pass the written or practical examination on the third attempt, must apply to the Board and receive authorization before application for re-examination will be approved. The Board may require the applicant to undergo additional training before taking the examination a fourth or subsequent time.

(11) Notwithstanding ORS 680.515(1)(c), failed sections of the examination may be retaken at the next available examination date and time as scheduling allows. Retaking a failed examination requires the applicant to register for the examination and submit payment of the examination fees.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.520 & 680.565

Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.520 & 680.565

Hist.: HD 11-1979(Temp), f. & ef. 8-23-79; HD 2-1980, f. & ef. 2-14-80; HD 1-1983, f. & ef. 1-20-83; HD 25-1988(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 11-1-88; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 10-1989, f. & cert. ef. 11-21-89; HD 13-1991(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 9-30-91; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0030; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HDLP 5-2001, f. & cert. ef. 12-14-01; HDLP 1-2002, f. 5-31-02, cert. ef. 6-1-02; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 2-2005, f. 12-15-05, cert. ef. 1-1-06

### 331-410-0040

#### Examination Conduct; Disqualification

(1) Examinations conducted in Oregon are held in a designated area with restricted access. An applicant must obtain authorization from the agency before bringing any material or electronic equipment or devices into the examination. Receiving, attempting to receive, giving, or attempting to give assistance during the examination, including assistance from other individuals, from notes books or devices or

taking unauthorized items into the examination area shall invalidate the examination and will result in forfeiture of the examination and fees.

(2) Examination Disqualification: A candidate may be immediately disqualified during or after the examination for conduct that interferes with the examination. Such conduct includes:

(a) Giving or attempting to give assistance to others in answering questions during the examination;

(b) Receiving or attempting to receive assistance during the examination, including assistance from other individuals from notes, books or devices to answer questions;

(c) Removing or attempting to remove any secure examination-related information, notes, or materials from the examination site;

(d) Failing to follow directions relative to the conduct of the examination;

(e) Exhibiting behavior which impedes the normal progress of the examination; and

(f) Endangering the health or safety of a person involved in the examination.

(3) Disqualification will invalidate the examination and result in forfeiture of the examination and fees. The candidate will be required to reapply, submit additional examination fees, and request in writing to schedule another examination. Reexamination will be scheduled at a date, time and place determined by the Director following the date of disqualification.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.520 & 680.565

Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.520 & 680.565

Hist.: HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 2-2005, f. 12-15-05, cert. ef. 1-1-06

### 331-410-0050

#### Examination Review and Appeal

Pursuant to ORS 183.435, applicants who fail to attain licensure as a result of test scores are not entitled to a formal appeal or hearing. Practical examination results are not challengeable.

(1) Computer Examination Segment: Review of the written examination, conducted by use of a touch screen computerized system, is provided at the conclusion of each examination question/answer selection, or at the next available date and time as scheduling allows.

(2) Written Examination Segment: Review of failed written examination question/answer selections, conducted by use of paper/pencil and score sheet, is provided upon submitting written request to the agency within seven calendar days of the examination date.

(3) Procedures for reviewing a failed written examination may be obtained from the agency.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.520 & 680.565

Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.520 & 680.565

Hist.: HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-410-0060

#### Licensure Issuance

(1) Pursuant to ORS 680.505, a person shall not practice denture technology or claim to be a dentist including that a person shall not display a sign or in any way advertise or purport to be a license holder or to be engaged in the practice of denture technology without first obtaining a license under ORS 680.515.

(2) Licensees are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010 regarding the issuance and renewal of a license, and to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0020 regarding the authorization to practice, identification and the requirements for issuance of a duplicate authorization.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 680.525, 680.530 & 680.565

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 680.525, 680.530 & 680.565

Hist.: HD 25-1988(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 11-1-88; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 13-1991(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 9-30-91; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0032; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HDLP 1-2002, f. 5-31-02, cert. ef. 6-1-02; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-410-0065

#### License Renewal

(1) RENEWAL: The following are prerequisites to license renewal:

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

(a) The completed application for renewal submitted in advance of the license expiration date;

(b) The renewal fee; and

(c) Attestation of having obtained required continuing education pursuant to OAR 331-415-0010.

(2) **LATE RENEWAL:** Renewal applications received in the Health Licensing Office, or postmarked, within one year after the expiration date may be approved upon payment of the renewal and delinquency fees and required attestation of having obtained sufficient continuing education.

(3) **RESTORATION:** A person who submits a completed renewal application after one year but within three years from the date of expiration, may be granted a license upon payment of restoration and license fees, and submission of evidence of sufficient continuing education as required in OAR 331-415-0010. A person who does not meet continuing education requirements within the three-year reporting cycle, must reapply and meet all requirements for licensure in place at the time of application.

(4) **RE-APPLICATION/QUALIFICATION:** A person who fails to renew within three years following the date of expiration, may be granted a license upon reapplication, payment of license and/or examination fee(s), as applicable, and submission of evidence of clinical competence satisfactory to the Health Licensing Office as follows:

(a) Documentation, showing the person engaged in active practice of denture technology in another state or territory during at least two of the last three years preceding reapplication, verifying construction of no less than 40 units of upper or lower dentures (a set counting as two units), and must include at least one each of the following: full, immediate, removable partial, removable implant and over-denture. Documentation must include verification of work experience/employment and copies of patient treatment records; or

(b) Attain a passing score on the written and practical examination conducted by the Health Licensing Office, as prescribed by the Board.

(5) A person who previously held an Oregon dentist license without an oral pathology endorsement does not qualify for licensure under reapplication provisions in subsection (4) of this rule. A person must meet all requirements of OAR 331-410-0010 and 331-410-0020 to qualify for an Oregon dentist license.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 680.525, 680.530 & 680.565  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 680.525, 680.530 & 680.565  
 Hist.: HDLP 1-2002, f. 5-31-02, cert. ef. 6-1-02; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-410-0080****Oral Health Certificate**

(1) Denturists licensed prior to January 1, 2004, who have not received an oral pathology endorsement as described in ORS 680.545 may not treat any person without a valid Oral Health Certificate for the person stating the person's oral cavity is substantially free from disease and mechanically sufficient to receive a denture.

(2) A valid Oral Health Certificate shall be in the form prescribed by the Health Licensing Office, signed by a licensed dentist or physician (M.D. or D.O.) stating that the person's cavity is substantially free from disease and mechanically sufficient to receive a denture, and show an examination of the oral cavity took place within 30 days of the date of commencing treatment.

(3) Oral Health Certificate forms are available at the agency.  
 Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.545  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.545  
 Hist.: HD 12-1980(Temp), f. & ef. 9-29-80; HD 6-1981, f. & ef. 4-3-81; HD 4-1988, f. & cert. ef. 3-4-88; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0055; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-410-0090****License Display**

Denturists shall post their current license to practice denture technology in public view.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.565  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.565  
 Hist.: HD 12-1980(Temp), f. & ef. 9-29-80; HD 6-1981, f. & ef. 4-3-81; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0060; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-415-0000****Purpose**

(1) To ensure continuing efforts on the part of Oregon licensed denturists to remain current with new developments in the denture technology and health care field and to encourage diversified training and qualifications in the profession continuing education is required as a condition of licensure.

(2) Continuing education requirements apply whether the applicant renewing a license is living or working within Oregon or outside of the state so long as Oregon licensure is maintained.

(3) Continuing education is required for renewal, every three years, even if the dentist license has been inactive during that period.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.530  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.530  
 Hist.: HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-415-0010****Continuing Education Requirements**

(1) Each dentist must complete 30 contact hours of continuing education every three years from the date of licensure to qualify for renewal of the dentist's license. Six of the required 30 hours must be directly related to partial denture services.

(2) Each dentist shall report compliance with the continuing education requirement through attestation on the license renewal document. Licensees shall be subject to the provisions of OAR 331-415-0020 pertaining to the periodic audit of continuing education.

(3) Continuing education includes attendance or participation at an instructional program presented, recognized, or under the auspices of any permanently organized institution, agency, or professional organization or association. For example, lectures, post-secondary school or post-graduate courses, scientific sessions at conventions, teaching (provided that no more than half the required hours be in teaching), or correspondence courses, or video tapes, or similar self-study provided an examination is taken and passed as part of the course.

(4) Subject matter shall be related specifically to denture technology as set forth in ORS 680.515(1)(a), the law and rules regulating licensed denturists, science, related dental practices, health care professional concerns such as infection control or medical emergencies, ethics, and business practices. A Board member will be designated to review the content of continuing education courses upon request by Health Licensing Office staff.

(5) Proof of participation in required continuing education is the responsibility of the dentist. To ensure that adequate proof of attainment of required continuing education is available for audit or investigation by the Health Licensing Office, denturists shall maintain a record of attendance for two years following the three-year continuing education cycle and renewal of the dentist license.

(6) Hours obtained in excess of the 30 contact hours required each three-year period will not be carried forward as credit for the succeeding three year continuing education requirement.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 680.530 & 680.565  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 680.530 & 680.565  
 Hist.: HD 10-1989, f. & cert. ef. 11-21-89; HD 13-1991 (Temp), f. & cert. ef. 9-30-91; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0041; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-415-0020****Continuing Education: Audit, Required Documentation and Sanctions**

(1) The Health Licensing Office will audit a select percentage of licensee records determined by the Board to verify compliance with continuing education requirements.

(2) Licensees notified of selection for audit of continuing education attestation shall submit to the agency, within 30 calendar days from the date of issuance of the notification, satisfactory evidence of participation in required continuing education in accordance with OAR 331-415-0010.

(3) Documentation of a certificate of completion of attendance at a program or course provided by the sponsor must include:

(a) Name of sponsoring institution/association or organization;

- (b) Title of presentation and description of content;
- (c) Name of instructor or presenter;
- (d) Date of attendance and duration in hours;
- (e) Course agenda;
- (f) Official transcript, diploma, certificate, statement or affidavit from the sponsor, attesting to attendance.

(4) If documentation of continuing education is invalid or incomplete, the licensee must correct the deficiency within 30 calendar days from the date of notice. Failure to correct the deficiency within the prescribed time shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action.

(5) Misrepresentation of continuing education, or failing to meet continuing education requirements or documentation may result in disciplinary action, which may include but is not limited to assessment of a civil penalty and suspension or revocation of the license.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.565  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.565  
 Hist.: HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98; HDLP 1-2002, f. 5-31-02, cert. ef. 6-1-02; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 420**

**PRACTICE STANDARDS**

**331-420-0000**

**Practice Standards**

Licensed denturists shall adhere to the following practice standards:

(1) Oral Health Certificate. Denturists must either have an oral pathology endorsement on their license, or if they have not qualified for and received the endorsement, must comply with requirements for obtaining an Oral Health Certificate as described in ORS 680.545 and OAR 331-410-0080.

(2) Patient Documentation. Licensed denturists must record, update and maintain documentation for each patient relevant to health history, clinical examinations and treatment, and financial data. Documentation shall be written or computerized. Records should include the following information:

- (a) Patient data, including name, address, date and description of examination;
- (b) Evidence of informed consent (may be in the form of an acronym such as "PARQ" to denote procedure, alternatives, risks and questions);
- (c) Date and description of treatment or services rendered, and any treatment complications;
- (d) Health history as applicable; and
- (e) Any other information deemed appropriate to patient care.

(3) Clinical Examination. Licensed denturists must conduct and record a clinical examination of each patient that will include at a minimum, information relative to:

- (a) Appearance of gingiva, oral mucosal membranes, pharynx, tongue and all other oral soft tissue; and
- (b) Oral conditions that may affect successful denture construction and use.

(4) Record Retention. Patient documentation, written or archived electronically by computer, must be retained for a minimum of seven years and available upon request by the agency.

(5) Minimum Standards of Acceptable Patient Care. Licensees must adhere to the following practice standards in rendering acceptable patient care:

- (a) Maintain accurate patient records;
- (b) Provide goods and services within a reasonable amount of time;
- (c) Seek consultation/referral if indicated;
- (d) Make accurate representation to the patient on services or denture functionality;
- (e) Provide or arrange for continuity of care or emergency treatment for a patient currently receiving treatment;
- (f) Employ current denture technology practices and materials;
- (g) Adhere to appropriate use of quality materials;
- (h) Adhere to Centers for Disease Control infection control standards and the Board's clinical requirements;
- (i) Provide a copy of the patient record in a reasonable amount of time for a reasonable amount of money as requested by the patient.

(6) Minimum Standards of Acceptability for Full Dentures: Licensees must adhere to the following practice standards in constructing full dentures that provide appropriate function. Acceptability is measured against the following criteria:

(a) The maxillary denture covers the entire hard palate, with a postdam that extends from the hamular notch to form a posterior seal on the soft palate;

(b) The mandibular denture has full posterior flanges, extending near the floor of the mouth and extending distally to include a portion of the retromolar pad;

(c) The denture base material adapts to the soft tissues and the extension achieves stability;

(d) Tooth position, size, and shade appear natural;

(e) Contour and shade of the denture base material appear natural;

(f) Centric relation, if not correct, is correctable;

(g) Vertical dimension is within the physiologic tolerance of the patient;

(h) No occlusal interferences are present in lateral and protrusive excursions;

(i) Occlusal surfaces have anatomic or nonanatomic detail, and masticatory forces are evenly distributed;

(j) Occlusal disharmony is not present; and

(k) There may not be movement of the denture when biting pressure is applied in anterior and posterior segments of the arch except when it is not reasonably possible to achieve the desired result.

(7) Any deviation from the standards outlined in subsection (6)(a) through (k) of this rule, must be based on the patient's individual physiology, in the best interest of the patient, and in conformance with generally accepted standards of patient care. On such occasion, the denturist must document the reasons for the deviation in the patient record. Failure to document the reasons for deviation from stated standards creates a presumption that the deviation was not in the best interest of the patient.

(8) Violation of Standards. Violation of any practice standard in OAR 331-420-0000 shall constitute grounds for discipline.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 680.550 & 680.565  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 680.550 & 680.565  
 Hist.: HD 4-1988, f. & cert. ef. 3-4-88; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 13-1991 (Temp), f. & cert. ef. 9-30-91; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92, Subsections (9)(a) through (h) renumbered to 333-020-0090 and 333-020-0100; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0085; HLO 1-2003, f. 1-21-03, cert. ef. 2-1-03; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-420-0010**

**Business Premise Requirements**

The clinical procedures of denture technology shall be conducted in business premises that meet the following criteria:

(1) All areas of the business premises where denture technology is practiced shall be kept clean and in good repair.

(2) Denturists shall be subject to all Oregon Department of Human Services, Health Services and other city, county, state and federal regulations pertaining to public health and safety. Compliance with building, state fire, plumbing and electrical regulations is required.

(3) When an employee/employer relationship exists, denturists shall comply with ORS 654 and the Oregon Safe Employment Act, and adhere to all Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Codes (OR-OSHA), and Centers for Disease Control (CDC) infection control standards.

(4) Pets or other animals shall not be permitted in the business premises. This prohibition does not apply to registered therapy animals, trained guide animals for the disabled, sightless or hearing impaired, or fish in an aquarium.

[Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.550 & 680.565  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.550 & 680.565  
 Hist.: HD 13-1991(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 9-30-91; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92, Renumbered from 333-020-0085(9)(a) through (h); HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0090; HLO 1-2003, f. 1-21-03 cert. ef. 2-1-03

**331-420-0020**

**Clinical Requirements**

The Board will consider current Centers for Disease Control guidelines when determining acceptable patient care and requirements

for the clinical practice of denture technology. Additionally, denturists must comply with the following standards:

(1) Instruments, implements, supplies and impression trays used in intra-oral procedures that come in contact with body fluids shall be sterilized prior to each use.

(2) Instruments or other equipment which are "heat-sensitive" shall be disinfected by complete immersion of the object(s) or portion(s) thereof to be disinfected, in an FDA approved chemical sterilant, and used according to the manufacturer's instructions.

(3) Mechanical sterilizing devices shall be tested for functionality on a quarterly basis by means of a biological monitoring system that indicates the destruction of micro-organisms, and chemical indicators (color change) to assure sufficient temperature and correct functioning of equipment during each sterilization cycle.

(4) Chemical and biological test results shall be available at the business premises at all times for inspection by the Health Licensing Office enforcement officers. Biological test results must be on laboratory letterhead and must contain the test date, and the name, model and serial number of the unit tested. Biological test results shall be retained for a two year period.

(5) Environmental surfaces that are contaminated by blood or saliva shall be disinfected with a high-level disinfectant, which is tuberculocidal and labeled accordingly, or bleach solution, used according to manufacturer's instructions.

(6) Disposable gloves shall be worn whenever placing fingers into the mouth of a patient or when handling blood or saliva contaminated instruments or equipment. Hands shall be washed and re-gloved before performing procedures on another patient.

(7) All contaminated wastes and sharps shall be disposed of according to governmental requirements, specifically ORS 459.386 through 459.405 and OAR 333-056-0020. "Sharps" means any object that can penetrate the skin, including but not limited to needles, scalpel blades, lancets, glass tubes, or other instruments that could be broken during handling, and syringes that have been removed from their original sterile containers.

(8) All procedures performed shall be in such a manner as to avoid cross contamination of blood borne pathogens.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 680.550 & 680.565  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 680.550 & 680.565  
 Hist.: HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92, Renumbered from 333-020-0085(9)(a) through (h); HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0100; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 1-2003, f. 1-21-03, cert. ef. 2-1-03; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 425**

**COMPLAINT PROCESSING AND RESOLUTION**

**331-425-0010**

**Procedure for Filing a Complaint**

The Health Licensing Office may initiate and conduct investigations of matters relating to the practice of denture technology, pursuant to ORS 676.608, and may take appropriate disciplinary action in accordance with the provisions of ORS 676.612 and 680.535.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.608, 676.615, 676.992, 680.535 & 680.565  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.608, 676.615, 676.992, 680.535 & 680.565  
 Hist.: HD 1-1983, f. & ef. 1-20-83; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0070; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 430**

**DISCIPLINE; CIVIL PENALTIES**

**331-430-0000**

**Disciplinary Action**

(1) The Health Licensing Office may refuse to issue, suspend or revoke a license, or place a licensed person on probation for the causes stated in ORS 680.535.

(2) The agency shall have grounds for a determination of incompetency in the practice of denture technology pursuant to ORS 680.535, upon evidence of the use of any controlled substance, dangerous or illegal drug, intoxicating liquor, or any emotional or physical

impairment of a denturist, to the extent that such use or condition impairs or prevents the denturists ability to perform competently.

(3) The agency shall have grounds for a determination of fraud or misrepresentation in the practice of denture technology pursuant to ORS 680.535, upon evidence of any advertising statements of a nature that would deceive or mislead the public or that are untruthful, such as:

(a) Incorrect use of a title; or

(b) Claiming or implying a qualification, competency or specialty in connection with the practice of denture technology to which the person is not entitled, or which is untrue.

(4) The specific identification of grounds for disciplinary action stated in sections (2) and (3) of this rule are intended to be descriptive of some, but not limited to, those causes for which disciplinary action may be taken as stated in ORS 680.535.

(5) Failure to cooperate with the agency or its agent is considered unprofessional conduct and is subject to discipline, which may include license suspension, revocation and/or assessment of civil fines. Unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

(a) Failing to respond to an inquiry from the agency regarding a complaint;

(b) Failing to provide information to the agency in response to a written inquiry, or provide written response within specified time allotted by notice of intended action;

(c) Failing to temporarily surrender custody of original client records to the agency upon request, which includes treatment charts, models, health histories, billing documents, correspondence and memoranda;

(d) Interference, use of threats or harassment which delays or obstructs any person in providing evidence in any investigation, contested case, or other legal action instituted by the agency;

(e) Interference, use of threats or harassment which obstructs or delays the agency in carrying out its functions under ORS 680.500 to 680.535 and rules adopted thereunder;

(f) Deceiving or attempting to deceive the Board or agency concerning any matter under investigation including altering or destroying any records.

(6) When the Health Licensing Office requires correction of deficiencies in lieu of the suspension, revocation or denial of license, the correction shall be made within the time frames established by the agency or the suspension, revocation or denial of license action will proceed.

(7) Practicing denture technology while a license is in suspended status is grounds for additional disciplinary action, which includes revocation and/or fines.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.530 & 680.565  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.535 & 680.565  
 Hist.: HD 1-1983, f. & ef. 1-20-83; HD 4-1989, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-89; HD 13-1991(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 9-30-91; HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0075; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01

**331-430-0030**

**Establishing Civil Penalty Amounts**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the first and second violations of the following laws and rules. The following scheduled shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For subsequent violations the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply.

(1) Practicing or holding one's self out as available to practice denture technology, or using the title denturist without a license or with an expired or suspended license is a violation of ORS 680.505 and may incur a penalty of \$5,000.

(2) Licensed denturists who allow non-licensed persons to perform clinical procedures is a violation of ORS 680.505 and may incur a penalty of \$5,000.

(3) Failing to post a current, valid denturist license in public view is a violation of OAR 331-410-0090 and may incur a penalty of \$150.

(4) Performing or offering to perform denture technology services involving intra-oral work, without obtaining a valid Oral Health Certificate prior to services being rendered, or without having qualified for and obtained an oral pathology endorsement is a violation of ORS 680.545, and may incur a penalty of \$2,000.

(5) Failing to notify the agency within 30 days of a change in business related information or license status, is a violation of OAR 331-010-0040, and may incur a penalty of \$200.

(6) Advertising in a manner, which would deceive or mislead the public or that is untruthful is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(b), and may incur a penalty of \$2,000.

(7) Failing to meet practice standards, involving health history, clinical examination, record of clinical treatment, or retention of records is a violation of ORS 680.550 and OAR 331-420-0000, and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(8) Failing to meet minimum standards of acceptability for full dentures according to OAR 331-420-0000(6), or to meet standards for partial dentures as determined by the board may incur a penalty of \$5,000.

(9) Failing to maintain clean floors, walls and ceilings in the clinical area of the premises is a violation of OAR 331-420-0010(1), and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(10) Failing to disinfect surfaces or blood spills by using an Environmental Protection Agency registered disinfectant is a violation of OAR 331-420-0020(5), and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(11) Failing to sterilize all instruments, impression trays, and supplies for intraoral use prior to each use on patients is a violation of OAR 331-420-0020(1), and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(12) Failing to test all sterilizing devices on a quarterly basis is a violation of OAR 331-420-0020(3), and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(13) Failing to have both biological and chemical test results available at the facility for inspection by the agency enforcement officers is a violation of OAR 331-420-0020(4), and may incur a penalty of \$1000.

(14) Failing to keep Environmental Protection Agency registered disinfecting solution at adequate strength and free of foreign material to maintain effectiveness is a violation of OAR 331-420-0020(5), and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(15) Failing to wash hands with a germicidal or antiseptic soap and water before and after every patient when clinical contact occurs or failing to use disposable gloves whenever placing fingers into a patient's mouth or when handling blood or saliva contaminated instruments or equipment is a violation of OAR 331-420-0020(6), and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(16) Failing to perform procedures in such a manner as to avoid cross contamination of blood borne pathogens is a violation of OAR 331-420-0020(8), and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(17) Failing to dispose contaminated wastes and/or sharps in accordance with provisions of ORS 459.386 through 459.405 and OAR 333-056-0020 is a violation of OAR 331-420-0020(7) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(18) Allowing pets or other animals on the premises of the business facility other than trained guide animals or fish in an aquarium, is a violation of OAR 331-420-0010(4), and may incur a penalty of \$500.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 680.565 & 680.572

Stats. Implemented: ORS 680.565 & 680.572

Hist.: HD 3-1992, f. & cert. ef. 3-25-92; HD 22-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 3-1998, f. 6-26-98, cert. ef. 7-1-98, Renumbered from 333-020-0120; HDLP 1-2001, f. 3-21-01, cert. ef. 4-1-01; HLO 2-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 505

### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

#### 331-505-0000

##### Definitions

The definitions of terms used in ORS 690.350 to 690.430 and 690.992 and the rules of OAR chapter 331, divisions 500 through 590, are:

(1) "Advisory Council" means, pursuant to ORS 690.425, the entity that advises the agency in matters relating to the practice of electrology, permanent coloring and tattooing in accordance with ORS 690.430. The agency director controls the regulatory operations and has decision-making authority on all substantive matters.

(2) "Agency" means the Health Licensing Office. The agency is responsible for the budget, personnel, performance-based outcomes,

consumer protection, fee collection, mediation, complaint resolution, discipline, rulemaking and record keeping.

(3) "Antiseptic" means product used to stop or inhibit the growth of bacteria.

(4) "Clean" means the absence of soil and dirt by washing, sweeping, clearing away, or any other appropriate method rendering a sanitary condition.

(5) "Closed book" means without aid from or availability of written material.

(6) "Director" means the individual who is responsible for the performance of the agency under ORS 676.610. The director appoints all the subordinate officers and employees to carry out the duties of the agency.

(7) "Easily accessible" means unrestricted use or availability, easy to approach or enter.

(8) "Enclosed storage area" means separate room, closet, cupboard or cabinet.

(9) "Equivalent" means comparable but not identical, covering the same subject matter.

(10) "Facility" means an establishment in which a licensee(s) performs electrolysis, permanent coloring or tattooing, or any combination thereof.

(11) "Health Licensing Office" means agency.

(12) "High-level disinfectant" means a chemical agent, which has demonstrated tuberculocidal activity and is registered with the Environmental Protection Agency.

(13) "Incompetence" includes, but is not limited to, a demonstrated lack of ability or fitness to perform.

(14) "Linens" means cloths or towels used for such things as draping or protecting table.

(15) "Low-level disinfectant" means a chemical agent, which has demonstrated bactericidal, germicidal, fungicidal and limited virucidal activity and is registered with Environmental Protection Agency.

(16) "Official transcript" means an original document certified by a licensed or accredited school indicating hours and types of course work, examinations and scores that the student completed. The transcript must be mailed or delivered directly from the school to the agency by one of the following methods:

(a) Regular USPS mail service;

(b) Recognized mail service provider, such as UPS or FEDEX;

(c) Authorized courier;

(d) Electronic or facsimile transmission to specified agency email address and/or FAX number.

(17) "One year of work experience" means employment consisting of a 40-hour work week for a minimum of 50 consecutive weeks during a 12 month period or a cumulative total of 2,000 clock hours within a 24 month period.

(18) "Operatory" means isolated area where treatment or services are provided.

(19) "Part-time experience" means engaging in practice for a period of at least 24 weeks or 1,000 hours during a 12 month time period.

(20) "Photographic identification" means an official document issued by a recognized governmental agency or entity, including but not limited to a valid driver's license, passport, health identification card, or other document which contains personal information pertaining to the individual, a photograph and signature.

(21) "Place or places of business" means the physical location where services are performed or will be performed.

(22) "Premises" means the entire building or structure within which services are performed.

(23) "Probation" means continuation of licensure under conditions set by the agency.

(24) "Protective gloves" means gloves made of vinyl, latex or "Nitrile."

(25) "Public view" means open to view and easy for the public to see, located in the operatory/treatment area, or waiting/lobby area at the place of business.

(26) "Reactivate" means to change an expired license to an active license.

(27) "Reciprocity" means that an applicant, holding an active certificate or license in another state, meets the qualifications and requirements for licensure based on satisfactory completion of education, training, and/or work experience determined equivalent to Oregon

standards, and further that the applicant has demonstrated competency by satisfactory completion of a national or state written and/or practical examination recognized or approved by the agency.

(28) "Renew" means to extend a current license for a year beyond expiration or to bring an expired license to current, active status.

(29) "Residence address or place(s) of business" means a street, route or location address, not a post office box.

(30) "Sharps" means any object that can penetrate the skin, including but not limited to needles, scalpel blades, lancets, glass tubes, or other instruments that could be broken during handling, and syringes that have been removed from their original sterile containers.

(31) "Sharps container" means a puncture-resistant, leak-proof container that can be closed for handling, storage, transportation and disposal. The container must be red and labeled with the "Biohazard" symbol.

(32) "Single Use" means products or items that are disposed of after each use, including but not limited to, cotton swabs or balls, tissues or paper products, paper or plastic cups, gauze and sanitary coverings.

(33) "Sterilization" means destruction of all forms of microbiotic life, including spores.

(34) "Suspend" refers to two distinct meanings defined by statute: ORS 690.385(2) pertaining to voluntary license expiration, and ORS 676.612 pertaining to disciplinary action.

(35) "Under direct supervision of a physician" means employed by and working in the office of a physician, with treatment ordered by and reimbursed to the physician.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.405(9)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0020; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-505-0010

#### Fees

(1) Applicants and licensees are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-010-0010 and 331-010-0020 regarding the payment of fees, penalties and charges.

(2) Fees established by the Health Licensing Office are as follows:

(a) APPLICATION:

(A) Practitioner license: \$100;

(B) Electrology facility license: \$50;

(C) Tattooing facility license: \$100

(D) Demonstration permit: \$25

(E) Temporary facility Permit: \$25;

(b) PRACTITIONER LICENSE:

(A) Initial issuance and renewal of electrologist license: \$125;

(B) Initial issuance and renewal of permanent coloring or tattooing license: \$175;

(c) FACILITY LICENSE:

(A) Initial issuance and renewal of electrology facility license: \$150;

(B) Initial issuance and renewal of permanent coloring or tattooing facility license: \$250;

(d) EXAMINATION:

(A) Electrology — written: \$50;

(B) Electrology — practical: \$100;

(C) Permanent Coloring or Tattooing — written: \$50;

(D) Permanent Coloring or Tattooing — skills assessment: \$100;

(e) PERMITS:

(A) Demonstration permit: \$50;

(B) Temporary facility permit: \$50;

(f) OTHER FEES

(A) Late fee: \$10;

(B) Reactivation fee: \$50;

(C) Annual renewal for suspended license: \$50;

(D) Duplicate license: \$25.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.415

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.415

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; OHD 14-1998, f. 12-9-98, cert. ef. 12-15-98; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0155; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 8-2004(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 8-20-04 thru 2-16-05; HLO 9-2004, f. 10-25-04, cert. ef. 11-1-04

## DIVISION 510

### DEFINITIONS FOR THE PRACTICE OF ELECTROLOGY

#### 331-510-0000

##### Electrology Definitions

In addition to definitions listed in OAR 331-505-0000, the following terms are specific to divisions 510 through 545.

(1) "Access" means unrestricted use or availability, easy to approach or enter; may be adjacent to or within a reasonable distance.

(2) "Instruments" means devices, tools and implements used in the practice of electrolysis, which includes but is not limited to needles, probes, forceps, hemostases, or tweezers.

(3) "Modality" means manner of mode in which electricity is used to produce a therapeutic effect (i.e. electrolysis, thermolysis, the blend).

(4) "Needle" means the conductor as referred to in ORS 690.350(5) also called wires or probes.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.405(9)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0020; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 515

### ELECTROLOGY: QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

#### 331-515-0000

##### Approval of Schools

The Health Licensing Office shall recognize a school of electrolysis that has met the following requirements:

(1) The facility has been approved and registered by the Department of Education, Private Career Schools, and meets provisions of ORS 345 and rules adopted by the Department for licensure as a career school;

(2) A curriculum/course of study has been submitted to the agency which has been approved as meeting the curriculum objectives outlined under OAR 333-515-0010;

(3) An initial inspection has been conducted by the Department of Education and agency and the facility satisfactorily passed requirements for compliance with instruction and sanitary rules.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.410

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.410

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0025; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

#### 331-515-0010

##### Approved Course of Study

To be approved by the agency, a course of study shall include, at least 600 hours of training instruction. The course shall include at least 235 hours of theory and at least 365 hours of practical experience in the following areas:

(1) Laws and rules: 15 hours of training in theory.

(2) Bacteriology: 20 hours of training in theory.

(3) Infection control and sterilization: 20 hours of training in theory and 15 hours of practical training.

(4) Anatomy and physiology: 20 hours of training in theory.

(5) Endocrinology: 20 hours of training in theory.

(6) Structure, dynamics and diseases of skin and hair: 30 hours of training in theory.

(7) Circulatory and nervous system: 20 hours of training in theory.

(8) Electricity: 15 hours of training in theory.

(9) Electrolysis (galvanic): 20 hours of training in theory and 115 hours of practical training.

(10) Thermolysis: 20 hours of training in theory and 115 hours of practical training.

(11) Combinations of electrolysis and thermolysis (blend): 20 hours of training in theory and 110 hours of practical training.

(12) Draping and positioning: 5 hours of training in theory and 5 hours of practical training.

(13) Professional ethics and business practices: 10 hours of training in theory and 5 hours of practical training.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.405 & 690.410  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.405 & 690.410  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94;  
 HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0030; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 520

## ELECTROLOGY: EXAMINATIONS

**331-515-0020****Equivalent Course of Study; Experience Equivalency Standards**

An applicant shall not be required to comply with the training requirements under OAR 331-515-0010 to the extent the agency determines that training and/or work experience obtained is equivalent to minimum requirements based on documentation of two years full-time or four years part-time active work experience in the field of electrolysis.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.365, 690.405 & 690.410  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.365, 690.405 & 690.410  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94;  
 HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0045 & 333-305-0050; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-515-0030****Application for Licensure**

(1) Individuals applying for licensure to practice electrology must meet the requirements of OAR 331-030-0000 in addition to the provisions of this rule.

(2) Applicants must submit a completed application form prescribed by the agency, which shall contain the information listed in OAR 331-030-0000(5) and be accompanied by payment of the application, examination and license fees.

(3) Applicants shall be at least 18 years of age, and shall provide documentation confirming date of birth, such as a copy of the birth certificate, driver's license, passport or school/military/governmental record.

(4) Applicants shall have completed four years of standard high school education or the equivalent. Acceptable documentation is a high school diploma, letter from school or military records verifying completion, GED passing scores, or proof of enrollment in a post-secondary educational institution.

(5) The completed application must include submission of satisfactory evidence of equivalency as required by the agency pursuant to OAR 331-515-0020, or by one of the following pathways for licensure:

(a) **OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT:** The document shall be mailed directly to the agency from a licensed or accredited school or an equivalent institution recognized by the agency, showing completion of the prescribed course of study, listed in OAR 331-515-0010 or its equivalent approved by the agency, and shall be issued by:

(A) A school of electrolysis licensed by the Department of Education, Private Career Schools, under ORS 345;

(B) A licensed or accredited school of electrolysis located in another state where the practice of electrolysis is unregulated; or

(C) An institution recognized by the agency, such as a medical facility or other county, state, or federal agency or entity, where training and education is provided by means of a standardized course of study, adhering to prescribed curriculum objectives and criteria.

(D) The transcript must be mailed or transmitted directly to the agency or delivered in person in a sealed envelope by an authorized courier.

(b) **OUT OF STATE LICENSURE:** Applicants who hold an electrolysis license issued from another state shall submit an original Affidavit of Licensure form affixed with the state's seal or stamp, signed by the regulatory authority where the applicant is currently licensed, and mailed directly to the agency office by the regulatory authority.

(A) The form shall indicate whether the applicant satisfactorily passed a national or state prepared written and practical examination.

(B) Additional documentation may be required substantiating completion of equivalent training requirements listed in OAR 331-515-0020.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.365 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.365 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94;  
 HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0035; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-520-0000****Examination Authorization**

(1) The agency will conduct examinations for licensure. Applicants will not be approved for an examination until all documentation and fee requirements have been completed.

(2) The agency reserves the right to alter or adjust examination dates, times and locations as it deems necessary to meet emergency situations and will notify applicants and schools in advance whenever possible.

(3) The agency will mail notice to each applicant approved for the practical examination by U.S. Postal Service, at least 15 calendar days prior to the examination. Notification will not be given by any other means.

(4) Applicants shall be required to present photographic identification, such as a driver's license and their original Social Security card at the examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.370 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.370 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0075 & 333-305-0080; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-520-0010****Examination for Electrologist License**

(1) The examination for an electrolysis license shall consist of two sections: a written examination and a practical examination. Applicants shall take all sections of both parts of the examination on the first attempt.

(2) The written examination shall consist of 200 multiple-choice questions. Questions shall cover subjects required in an approved course of study in accordance with OAR 331-515-0010.

(3) The practical examination will consist of an actual demonstration of hair removal on a model provided by the applicant. Information on the practical examination procedures will be mailed to applicants with the examination notice. Refer to OAR 331-520-0000(3).

(4) Graded criteria shall include model preparation, safety, sterilization and infection control, technique, use of instruments, and after-care.

(5) The examination shall be "closed book," and shall be prepared or conducted in English.

(6) The written and practical sections of the examination will be scored individually, not added or averaged together.

(7) A passing score of at least 75 percent on each section of the examination is required before a license will be issued.

(8) Applicants failing to successfully complete the examination process and attain licensure within two years from the date of the initial application or the most recent examination attempt, whichever is later, shall be required to:

- Reapply for examination according to OAR 331-515-0030;
- Pay the appropriate fees; and
- Retake examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.370, 690.405 & 690.430  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.370, 690.405 & 690.430  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0065; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-520-0030****Special Examination Accommodations**

(1) Applicants who have a learning, psychological, physical, or other disability, which requires an accommodation to the regular testing environment may request a special examination.

(2) Requests for accommodation shall be made on forms provided by the agency and shall contain supporting documentation completed by a licensed professional holding appropriate credentials qualified to certify that the applicant's disabling condition requires the requested test accommodation.

(3) A "Request for Accommodation" form must be submitted to the agency at least 30 calendar days in advance of the scheduled exam-

ination date to make appropriate arrangements contingent upon the type of accommodation requested.

(4) All special examinations are conducted at the agency. If the agency is unable to accommodate the disability on-site, special arrangements will be arranged for an adequate test site.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.370 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.370 & 690.405

Hist.: HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-520-0040**

**Examination Conduct; Disqualification**

(1) Examinations are conducted in a designated area with restricted access. Authorization must be provided by the agency before bringing any material or electronic equipment or devices into the examination. Receiving or attempting to receive assistance during the examination, including assistance from other individuals, from notes books or devices or taking unauthorized items into the examination area shall invalidate the examination and result in forfeiture of the examination and fees.

(2) Examination Disqualification: A candidate may be immediately disqualified during or after the examination for conduct that interferes with the examination. Such conduct includes:

- (a) Giving or receiving aid, directly or indirectly during the examination process;
- (b) Obtaining help or information from notes, books, or other individuals to answer questions;
- (c) Removing or attempting to remove any examination-related information, notes or materials from the examination site;
- (d) Failing to follow directions relative to the conduct of the examination; and
- (e) Exhibiting behavior which impedes the normal progress of the examination.

(3) Disqualification will invalidate the examination and result in forfeiture of the examination fees. The applicant will be required to reapply, submit additional examination fees and request in writing to schedule another examination. Reexamination will be scheduled at a date, time and place determined by the Director following the date of disqualification. Re-examination will be conducted at the agency.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.410

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.410

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0090; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-520-0060**

**Examination Review Procedures**

(1) Opportunity to review failed sections of the written examination, conducted by use of the electronic touch screen computer testing system, are provided at the conclusion of each examination question/answer selection, or immediately following conclusion of the entire examination. Review of failed examination sections at a later time or date is prohibited.

(2) Applicants retaking the examination must present photographic identification such as a driver's license and their original Social Security card as required by OAR 331-520-0000.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0100; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-520-0070**

**Retake of Examination Sections; Additional Training**

(1) Failed sections of the examination may be retaken at the next available examination date and time, as scheduling allows. Retaking a failed examination requires registration and payment of the examination fees.

(2) Applicants who fail the examination three times (first attempt plus two retakes) must obtain an additional 100 hours of theory training within their scope of practice through an Oregon career school licensed under ORS 345.010 to 345.450 before they will be eligible to retake the examination.

(3) Prior to an applicant's fourth examination attempt, an official transcript must be received from an Oregon licensed career school

which verifies that the applicant has satisfactorily completed the additional hours of instruction.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.370 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.370 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0105 & 333-305-0110; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 525**

**ELECTROLOGY: LICENSE ISSUANCE, RENEWAL AND REACTIVATION**

**331-525-0000**

**License Issuance; Renewal**

(1) Licensees are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010 regarding issuance and renewal of a license, and to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0020 regarding authorization to practice, identification and requirements for issuance of a duplicate authorization.

(2) Renewal payments received by the agency, or postmarked, after the expiration date but within one year of expiration, will be assessed a late fee in addition to the annual renewal fee.

(3) A license which has been expired for more than one year but less than three, shall be deemed suspended and may be reactivated by payment of the following fees listed in OAR 331-505-0010:

- (a) A suspended renewal fee for each year expired;
- (b) A reactivation fee; and
- (c) A renewal fee.

(4) Failure to meet continuing education requirements listed in OAR 331-530-0000 will require reapplication, submission of application fee, examination fees and one-year license fee, and successfully passing all sections of the examination before a license will be reissued.

(5) Failure to renew or reactivate a license within three years from the date of expiration will require submitting a new application and successfully passing the qualifying examination according to provisions of OAR 331, divisions 515 and 520 before a license will be reissued.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.385

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.385

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0115; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-525-0020**

**Display of License**

The practitioner and facility license must be posted in public view.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.380

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.380

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0140; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-525-0035**

**Facility License Issuance and Renewal; Cooperation in Inspections**

Beginning on October 1, 2004, all facilities must be licensed to provide electrolysis services prior to operating electrology facilities.

(1) The agency will issue a facility license to qualified persons, as provided in OAR 331-030-0010, if the applicant:

- (a) Is at least 18 years of age, if the applicant is a natural person, as required in ORS 690.365(2). If the applicant is an entity other than a natural person, the entity must be formed and operated in accordance with Oregon law;
- (b) Has registered with the Corporations Division and designated an assumed business name prior to applying for a facility license (unless doing business under the full name of the owner);
- (c) Applies on a form prescribed by the agency and pays the required application and license fees;
- (d) Complies with all applicable rules and regulations;
- (e) Certifies that application information is correct; and
- (f) Meets the specifications for building, fire and plumbing codes as specified in OAR 565-535-0000 and complies with exit and fire standards established by the Building Codes Agency and Office of the State Fire Marshal.

(2) Facility license applicant must provide a map or direction to the business premises if the facility is located in a rural or isolated area, and submit a copy of the spore test results from applicant's autoclave, or submit a signed attestation requesting an exemption under OAR 331-540-0020(2) based on exclusive use of prepackaged sterile electrology equipment, including needles.

(3) A facility license holder must comply with the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010 regarding issuance and renewal of a facility license.

(4) Each facility license holder must:

(a) Allow the agency's enforcement officer to inspect the facility when it is open for business;

(b) Ensure employees cooperate with agency enforcement officers and refrain from impeding an inspection in any way;

(c) Contact the agency in writing to make arrangements for an inspection if the agency has been unable to perform an annual inspection because the facility was closed.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.360(6) & 690.405(12)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 690.360(6) & 690.405(12)

Hist.: HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-525-0038

#### Facility Located in Residence

A facility located in a residence must comply with the provisions of OAR 331-525-0035 in addition to:

(1) Have an identifying house number or a sign, which is easily visible from the street and indicates the location of the facility;

(2) Be equipped with the structures, accommodations, and equipment which the agency requires for all facilities;

(3) Have an entry that is separate from the entry to the living area of the home. The living area of the home shall be separated from the facility by solid walls extending from floor to ceiling, with any connecting doors kept closed while the facility is in actual operation.

(4) Licensed electrologists operating in their residence prior to July 1, 2004, will not be subject to the requirements listed in subsection (3) of this rule, until such time as a change in the business location is made.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.360(6) & 690.405(12)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 690.360(6) & 690.405(12)

Hist.: HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-525-0040

#### Practicing at Location Other Than Named Place(s) of Business

(1) Licensees shall not practice at any location other than the place or places of business listed with the agency. However, licensees may provide services outside the premises of a licensed facility on persons residing in a health care facility or persons confined to their residence through medical disability or restriction.

(2) All licensees who perform services at locations listed in subsections (1) of this rule or at more than one business location shall carry their license with them and post it while working.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0185; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-525-0055

#### Facility License Requirements

(1) A facility shall meet the requirements for a new facility (refer to OAR 331-525-0035) and submit a new facility application and required fees when any of the following conditions exist:

(a) A facility is purchased from the current or previous owner, partnership or corporation. Facility licenses are not transferable from person-to-person or from business-to-business;

(b) There is a change in the legal ownership, partnership or holding of a facility regulated under ORS 690 and OAR 331, such as:

(A) A partner(s) or co-owner(s) is added; or

(B) A partner(s) or co-owner(s) is removed due to the death of a facility owner(s).

(c) An existing facility moves or relocates to a new physical address. Facility licenses are not transferable from location-to-location.

(2) Facility owners closing their facilities shall:

(a) Submit written notice to the agency within five business days of a facility closure, indicating whether the closure is permanent or of

a temporary duration. Notice of temporary facility closure shall specify the anticipated date of resuming business operations;

(b) If notice of a permanent facility closure was submitted, and the license holder (same owner) reopens the facility while the license is still in active current status, the facility owner shall submit notice to the agency prior to reopening the facility and resuming business operations/services.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.405

Hist.: HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-525-0060

#### Demonstration Permit

(1) "Demonstration permit" is an authorization pursuant to ORS 690.405 to practice on a limited basis for a maximum of 30 consecutive calendar days.

(2) A person not licensed under ORS 690.365, who intends to demonstrate, teach or perform electrolysis services temporarily for educational purposes, where services are not performed upon the public, must first obtain a demonstration permit from the agency.

(3) To be granted a demonstration permit, a person must meet the following requirements:

(a) Submit an application on a form prescribed by the agency;

(b) Provide satisfactory evidence of holding a valid license in their state or country.

(c) Describes the purpose for which the permit is sought; and

(d) Pay the required application and permit fees.

(4) The demonstration permit shall specify the period during which the person is permitted to demonstrate, teach or perform services.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Hist.: HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-525-0065

#### Temporary Facility Permit

(1) "Temporary facility permit" is an authorization pursuant to ORS 690.405 to operate a facility on a limited basis, not to exceed 30 consecutive calendar days, at locations away from the primary facility, such as fairs, carnivals or bazaars.

(2) A person who intends to operate a facility on a limited basis away from a primary licensed facility must first obtain a temporary facility permit from the agency.

(3) To be granted a temporary facility permit, a person must meet the following requirements:

(a) Be 18 years of age or older, if the applicant is a natural person.

If the applicant is an entity other than a natural person, the entity must be formed and operated in accordance with Oregon law;

(b) Apply on forms prescribed by the agency and provide the required information and application fees.

(4) A temporary facility must:

(a) Receive the permit and post the authorization in public view before opening for business;

(b) Comply with the rules of the agency concerning health, safety and infection control;

(c) Comply with the applicable health and safety laws and rules of the agency and any other state agencies;

(d) Pay the required permit fees.

(5) The temporary facility permit shall specify the period during which the permit is valid.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Hist.: HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 530

### ELECTROLOGY: CONTINUING EDUCATION

#### 331-530-0000

##### Continuing Education for License Renewal

To maintain licensure in the field in which they are licensed to practice, electrologists must comply with the following continuing education requirements:

(1) Complete 20 clock hours of satisfactory continuing education courses either as one unit or combination of units, not less than one hour each, every three years.

(2) Satisfactory continuing education courses shall fit into the approved curriculum objectives listed in ORS 690.410(1) and the courses of study outlined in OAR 331-515-0010 and must be obtained by:

(a) Participation or attendance at an instructional program presented, recognized, or under the auspices of any permanently organized institution, agency, association or completion and certification by an approved national home study organization; or

(b) Self-study, participation, or attendance not covered by subsection (a) of this rule may comprise up to eight hours of the total requirement. Self-study may include continuing education obtained by means of the following:

(A) Correspondence courses;

(B) Review of publications, textbooks, printed material, or audio cassette(s);

(C) Viewing of films, videos, or slides; or

(c) Attendance at meetings of the Advisory Council for Electrologists and Permanent Color Technicians and Tattoo Artists may be credited for a maximum of three hours per meeting, totaling no more than six hours per three year period.

(3) Licensees shall report compliance with the continuing education requirement through attestation on the license renewal document. Licensees shall be subject to the provisions of OAR 331-530-0020 pertaining to periodic audit of continuing education.

(4) Continuing education requirements apply whether the applicant renewing a license is living or working within Oregon or outside of the state, so long as Oregon licensure is maintained.

(5) Hours of continuing education, in excess of the requirement for renewal every three years, will not be carried forward.

(6) Continuing education is required for renewal, every three years, even if the license has been inactive or suspended during that period.

(7) To ensure adequate evidence of attainment of required continuing education is available for audit or investigation by the Health Licensing Office, records of attendance must be maintained by licensees for two years following the three-year continuing education cycle and renewal of the electrologist license.

(8) Licensees failing to obtain 20 clock hours of continuing education every three years must reapply and qualify according to the requirements of OAR 331-515-0030 and successfully pass a written and practical examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.385

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.385

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0125 & 333-305-0130; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04, Renumbered from 331-530-0010

### 331-530-0020

#### Continuing Education: Audit, Required Documentation and Sanctions

(1) The Health Licensing Office will audit a select percentage of licenses determined by the Council to verify compliance with continuing education requirements.

(2) Practitioners notified of selection for audit of continuing education attestation shall submit to the agency, within 30 calendar days from the date of notification, satisfactory evidence of participation in required continuing education in accordance with OAR 331-530-0000.

(3) Documentation of attendance at a program or course provided by the sponsor must include:

(a) Name of sponsoring institution/association or organization;

(b) Title of presentation and description of content;

(c) Name of instructor or presenter;

(d) Date of attendance and duration in hours;

(e) Course agenda;

(f) Official transcript, diploma, certificate, statement or affidavit from the sponsor, attesting to attendance.

(4) Documentation substantiating completion of continuing education through self-study, must show a direct relation to the subjects outlined in OAR 331-515-0010, be submitted on forms provided by the agency and include the following:

(a) Name of sponsor or source, type of study, description of content, date of completion and duration in clock hours;

(b) Name of approved correspondence courses or national home study issues;

(c) Name of publications, textbooks, printed material or audio-recorded material, including date of publication, publisher, and ISBN issued.

(d) Name of films, videos, or slides, including date of production, name of sponsor or producer and catalog number.

(5) If documentation of continuing education is invalid or incomplete, the licensee must correct the deficiency within 30 calendar days from the date of notice. Failure to correct the deficiency within the prescribed time shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action.

(6) Misrepresentation of continuing education, or failing to meet continuing education requirements or documentation may result in disciplinary action, which may include, but is not limited to, assessment of a civil penalty and suspension or revocation of the license.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.385 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.385 & 690.405

Hist.: HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 535

### ELECTROLOGY: PRACTICE STANDARDS

#### 331-535-0000

##### Compliance with all Applicable Regulations

(1) Electrologists shall observe all applicable state regulations pertaining to public health and safety. Compliance with state building, fire, plumbing, and electrical regulations is required.

(2) In addition, when an employee/employer relationship exists, practitioners shall comply with ORS 654 the Oregon Safe Employment Act.

(3) Electrologist shall observe and adhere to all Oregon Occupational Safety & Health Codes (OR-OSHA), OAR 437, 29 CFR 1910.1030 Bloodborne Pathogens.

(4) Every electrologist shall have a written Exposure Control Plan. All procedures developed for the facility's exposure control plan shall be in compliance with OSHA state and federal regulations and with current Centers for Disease Control (CDC) standard for public service workers.

(5) Only authorized equipment or products may be utilized, and in addition, must only be used in a manner approved by manufacturers and appropriate regulatory agencies.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 654, 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 654, 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405

Hist.: HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

#### 331-535-0010

##### Electrologist Practice Standards: Restrictions

(1) Electrologists may provide clients with written information on electrolysis procedures, the purpose for asking specific questions regarding the client's general health, and that any recommendation for medical attention is not to be construed as a medical referral or diagnosis of a physical disease or ailment.

(2) Licensees shall keep an individual record of each client. That record shall include: name and address of client; type of treatment required/requested; type of hair or skin; date and duration of each treatment; special instructions or notations relating to the treatment precautions or needs, such as allergies, pacemaker, etc.; and, name and telephone of referring doctor, if applicable.

(3) Electrologists are prohibited from performing services under the following conditions or circumstances (for blood borne diseases only, refer to OAR 331-535-0020):

(a) Licensee or client has a disease or condition which has been diagnosed by a physician to be in a communicable or transmittable form during treatment;

(b) Licensee determines by direct observation or communication with client, that client has or may have a suspected communicable disease or condition;

(c) Licensee knows or should have reasonably known from the state of his/her own physical condition, a communicable disease or condition may exist; or

(d) Treatment in areas with high propensity towards bacterial colonization, such as nostrils and ear canals.

(4) Electrologists must first obtain written authorization from a physician when any of the following exists:

- (a) Request for hair removal from moles or birthmarks;
- (b) Removal of eyelashes;
- (c) Clients with diabetes; or
- (d) Clients with heart problems or pacemaker.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.390

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.390

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0245; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-535-0020

#### Communicable and Blood Borne Diseases

A licensee providing service or working in a facility while diagnosed with having acquired an immunodeficiency virus and related immunodeficiency conditions or Hepatitis viruses (B, C and/or D) shall observe and follow all current Centers for Disease Control (CDC) standards for public service workers regarding personal protection equipment and disposal of blood or bodily fluid contaminated articles, tools and equipment. This includes practitioners or employees providing services to clients who have been diagnosed with having an immunodeficiency virus, related conditions or the Hepatitis viruses (B, C and/or D).

**NOTE:** It is the position of the agency that human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) is the cause of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) and related immunodeficiency conditions. This virus, as well as Hepatitis B virus (HBV), Hepatitis C virus (HCV) and Hepatitis virus (HVD) may be transmitted by sharp instruments contaminated by blood or other body fluids, if standard precautions are not followed. As the carriers of these viruses may have no symptoms, the most prudent course to follow is to treat body fluids from all persons with the same high standards of caution and to rigorously follow established safety and infection control practices as required by the law and rules of the agency. There is no published evidence to support casual transmission of HIV, by sneezing or touching, even in close household settings involving AIDS patients and family members caring for them at home. Because HIV is not spread by casual means and because of the inadequacies of the HIV antibody test, there is no reason for the agency to require blood tests prior to certification and/or licensure. Good hand washing after glove removal and between each client is imperative and the most important procedure for prevention of all infections, including HIV. Uniform body fluid precautions are ample to prevent transmission of HIV, HBV, HCV and/or HDV in a facility setting.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.390

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.390

Hist.: HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-535-0030

#### Handwashing/Protective Gloves; Handling Disposable Materials

(1) **HAND WASHING:** Electrologists shall observe and adhere to the following hand washing standards when serving clients:

(a) Hands must be washed before and after treatment of each client, and before putting on gloves and immediately after gloves are removed;

(b) Thorough hand washing shall be by use of soap and water or other alternative hand washing product, such as jell, aerosol spray, foam, or pre-packaged hand wipes, immediately before and after serving each client as needed. Use of bar soap is prohibited.

(2) **PROTECTIVE GLOVES:** Electrologists shall observe and adhere to the following protective glove standards when serving clients:

(a) A new pair of disposable gloves must be worn during the treatment of each client;

(b) Hands must be washed in accordance with the hand washing standards stated in subsection (1) of this rule before putting on gloves and immediately after gloves are removed;

(c) If an electrologist uses low-powered gloves, the excess exterior powder must be removed to prevent powder contact with the client's skin during treatment;

(d) When a treatment session is interrupted:

(A) A protective covering must be used over the gloved hand/hands; or

(B) Gloves must be removed and discarded.

(e) When gloves are removed during a treatment session, hands must be washed and a fresh pair of gloves used;

(f) Gloves must be worn during the procedures of mechanical pre-cleaning, cleaning, rinsing, and drying of needles/probes and forceps/tweezers;

(g) Torn or perforated gloves must be removed immediately, and hands must be washed after gloves are removed.

(3) **DISPOSABLE MATERIALS:** Electrologists shall observe and adhere to the following disposable material standards when serving clients:

(a) All waste materials related to treatment shall be disposed of in a covered container after each client service;

(b) Disposable materials in contact with blood and/or body fluids shall be placed in a sealable plastic bag, separate from sealable trash or garbage liners, and then disposed of in a covered container;

(c) Disposable sharp objects in contact with blood and/or body fluids shall be disposed of in an appropriate "sharps container" as defined in OAR 331-505-0000(31);

(d) Electrologists shall have both sealable plastic bags and sealable rigid containers available at the facility.

(4) The client's skin shall be cleansed by applying an antiseptic or antibacterial solution prior to and following treatment.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0210, 333-305-0215 & 333-305-0235; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-535-0040

#### Linens

(1) Clean linens shall be used for each client.

(2) A common towel is prohibited.

(3) Air blowers can be substituted for hand towels.

(4) Clean linens, tissues or single-use paper products shall be stored in a clean, storage area until needed for immediate use.

(5) Used linens shall be disposed of or stored in a closed or covered container until laundered.

(6) Used linens shall be laundered either by a regular commercial laundering or by a noncommercial laundering process which includes use of commercial laundry detergent manufactured for the specific purpose of cleaning clothes, linens or other washable fabric, and immersion in hot water during the wash and rinse cycle.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.390

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.390

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0220

### 331-535-0050

#### Required Equipment

(1) All facilities shall have a treatment area or operatory that is separate, private, or screened from the entrance, waiting area, and/or other treatment areas.

(2) Facilities shall be kept clean and orderly, and equipment shall be maintained in good repair

(3) All surfaces (counters, tables, equipment, client chairs or recliners) in treatment and sterilization areas shall be made of smooth, non-absorbent and non-porous material.

(4) All floors and walls shall be easily cleanable. Concrete blocks or other masonry used in wall construction shall be covered or made smooth and sealed for a washable surface.

(5) A high-level disinfectant or bleach solution, used according to the manufacturer's instructions, shall be used to disinfect surfaces contaminated by blood or bodily fluids.

(6) Pets or other animals shall not be permitted in the business facility. This prohibition does not apply to therapy animals, trained guide animals for the disabled, sightless or hearing impaired or to fish in aquariums.

(7) Electrologists shall maintain at the place of business an adequate supply of approved disinfecting or sterilizing equipment, tools/implements, articles and materials for usage requirements and volume of business. The following equipment shall be maintained at the place of business:

(a) A Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approved epilator;

(b) Sufficient supply of needles and tweezers to supply sterile instruments for each client treated;

- (c) A treatment light;
  - (d) Choice of hemostat, forceps, or tweezer to transfer sterilized instruments;
  - (e) Protective gloves;
  - (f) Sealable plastic bags and sharps container.
- Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0165, 333-305-0175, 333-305-0180 & 333-305-0190; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-535-0060**

**Water Supply Requirements and Standards**

- (1) The quality and construction of facility water supplies shall meet the requirements of ORS Chapter 448 and the State Plumbing Code, OAR 918, division 750.
- (2) Facility water supplies shall have a minimum of 20 pounds pressure per square inch in accordance with the State Plumbing code.
- (3) All facilities shall have easy and adequate supply of both hot and cold running water and wash basins on the facility premises or as part of surrounding premises or adjacent to the facility but separate from a public restroom.
- (4) Waste from toilets or lavatories shall be discharged directly into a public sewer or by a method meeting the requirements of ORS 454.
- (5) Hand washing accommodations shall be provided in work areas where employees are exposed to hazardous materials, which will have a harmful effect on or be absorbed through the skin if the contamination is not removed.
- (6) Washing accommodations shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 448, 454, 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 448, 454, 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0165; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-535-0070**

**Compliance with Indoor Clean Air Act**

Any public place in a facility shall be governed under the Oregon Indoor Clean Air Act as it appears in ORS 433.835 through 433.875.  
 Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 433.835 - 433.875, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0170; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-535-0080**

**Waste Receptacles**

- (1) All waste material related to treatment shall be deposited in a covered container following service for each client.
  - (2) Waste disposed of in receptacles located in reception and/or restroom areas is limited to materials, which are not practice-related or used in the performance of any client services. Waste receptacles located in these areas are exempt from the covered container requirements listed in subsection (1) of this rule.
  - (3) Outer surface of waste disposal containers shall be kept clean.
- Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0240; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 540**

**ELECTROLOGY: SAFETY AND STERILIZATION STANDARDS**

**331-540-0000**

**Cleaning Requirements and Standards**

- (1) All items in direct contact with the client's skin that do not require disinfecting shall be clean.
- (2) All items in direct contact with the client's skin that cannot be cleaned or disinfected shall be disposed of in a covered waste receptacle immediately after use.

(3) All substances used in the practice of electrolysis shall be dispensed from containers in a manner to prevent contamination of the unused portion.

(4) All disinfecting solutions and/or agents shall be kept at adequate strengths to maintain effectiveness, be free of foreign material and be available for immediate use at all times the facility is open for business.

(5) The agency shall authorize the use of disinfecting agents provided those agents meet the criteria set forth in OAR 331-505-0000(12) and (15).

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-540-0010**

**Instrument Cleaning; Sterilization Standards**

- (1) Prior to sterilizing, instruments shall be brushed and/or swabbed to remove foreign material or debris, rinsed and then cleaned by one of the following approved methods:
  - (a) Immersing in detergent and water in an ultra sonic unit that operates at 40 to 60 hertz, followed by a thorough rinsing and wiping; or
  - (b) Submerging and soaking in a protein dissolving detergent/enzyme cleaner, followed by a thorough rinsing and wiping.
- (2) Instruments or other equipment which are "heat-sensitive" shall be disinfected by complete immersion of the object(s) or portion(s) thereof to be disinfected, in a high-level disinfectant which has demonstrated tuberculocidal activity, and used according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- (3) The removable tip of an epilator needle or probe holder shall be removed after each treatment, cleaned and then soaked for in a commercial sporicide solution according to manufacturers' instructions.
- (4) Cleaned instruments used in the practice of electrolysis shall be placed in sterile bags or containers with color strip indicators, sterilized by exposure to one cycle of an approved sterilizer listed in OAR 331-540-0020.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0200 & 333-305-0205; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-540-0020**

**Approved Sterilization Modes**

- (1) Electrologists must sterilize instruments used in the practice of electrolysis by means of an approved sterilizing device registered and listed with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, used, cleaned and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Approved sterilizing devices include an autoclave (steam or chemical) or dry heat unit.
- (2) In lieu of sterilization methods listed in (1) above, a licensee may use single-use, prepackaged, sterilized equipment, obtained from commercial suppliers or manufacturers.
- (3) Sterilizing devices shall be tested during each sterilizing cycle by means of a commercial test mechanism, such as but not limited to color strip indicators to measure temperature control and general functioning of the equipment.
- (4) Sterilizing devices shall be tested at least quarterly for functionality and thorough sterilization by using a commercial biological monitoring (spore) system to assure all microorganisms, including spores, have been destroyed.
- (5) Biological test results must be on laboratory letterhead and must contain the test date, and the name, model and serial number of the unit tested. Biological test results shall be retained for a two-year period and must be available for inspection at all times.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0195; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-540-0030**

**Clean Instruments; Products Storage**

- (1) Before use, disposable products that come in contact with the areas to be treated shall be stored in clean containers that can be closed between treatments.

(2) Clean, sterilized re-usable instruments that come in contact with the areas to be treated, shall be individually stored in clean, sterilized containers to maintain effective sterilization of the instrument until removed from the container.

(3) Clean, sterilized re-usable transfer instruments shall be stored in a clean, dry, sterilized container.

(4) Chemicals shall be stored in labeled, closed containers in an enclosed storage area.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.390  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.390  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0225 & 333-305-0230

**DIVISION 545**

**COMPLIANCE**

**331-545-0000**

**Investigative Authority**

The Health Licensing Office may initiate and conduct investigations of matters relating to the practice of electrolysis, permanent coloring or tattooing, pursuant to ORS 676.608 and 676.618, and may take appropriate disciplinary action in accordance with the provisions of ORS 676.612 and 690.407.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.608, 676.618, 690.405 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.608, 676.618, 690.405 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0255; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-545-0020**

**Schedule of Penalties for Licensing Violations; Violation of Standards**

The agency has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the first and second violations of the following laws and rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For subsequent violations the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply.

(1) Practicing or holding one's self out as available to practice, or using the title electrologist, without first receiving a current, valid license is a violation of ORS 690.355 and OAR 331-030-0020(1)(f) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(2) Practicing or holding one's self out as available to practice, or using the title electrologist, with an expired or suspended license is a violation of ORS 676.612(4), 690.355, OAR 331-030-0010(4) and/or 331-030-0020(1)(f) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(3) Failing to post a current, valid license in public view is a violation of ORS 690.038(1) and OAR 331-525-0020 and may incur a penalty of \$200.

(4) Failing to provide appropriate photographic identification upon request by the agency is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(o) and OAR 331-030-0020(4) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(5) Failing to submit changes of required licensing information within the time frame set in rule is a violation of OAR 331-010-0040(1) and/or (2) and may incur a penalty of \$50.

(6) Practicing at location other than places of businesses designated to the agency, except as permitted by rule is a violation of OAR 331-525-0040(1) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(7) Using a reproduction of a license in place of an original is a violation of OAR 331-030-0020(3) and may incur a penalty of \$50.

(8) Failing to allow inspection of the premises by the agency is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(o), OAR 331-020-0070(2)(d) and/or 331-525-0035(4) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(9) Failing to meet the facility or practice standards adopted by the agency is a violation of OAR 331-535-0000(1), 331-535-0010, ORS 676.612(1)(j) and 690.390 and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(10) Failing to provide a private or separate treatment area for clients is a violation of OAR 331-535-0050(1) and may incur a penalty of \$100.

(11) Except as provided by rule, allowing animals in the facility is a violation of OAR 331-535-0050(6) and may incur a penalty of \$100.

(12) Failing to maintain the required equipment or have approved test indicators at facility is a violation of ORS 690.390(1) and/or (2)

and OAR 331-535-0050(7) and may incur a penalty of \$500 and/or suspension or revocation.

(13) Failing to use approved test indicators or mechanism as required to ensure proper sterilization is a violation of OAR 331-540-0020(3), (4) and/or (5) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(14) Failing to sterilize instruments using an approved mode is a violation of ORS 690.390(1) and/or (2) and OAR 331-540-0020(1) and/or (2) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(15) Failing to meet sterilization standards is a violation of ORS 690.390(1), (2) and OAR 331-540-0010(2), (3) and/or (4) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(16) Failing to clean instruments prior to sterilization is a violation of ORS 690.390(1) and OAR 331-540-0010(1) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(17) Failing to wash hands before and after treatment and/or wear protective gloves is a violation of OAR 331-535-0030(1) and/or (2) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(18) Failing to prepare treatment area on a client in accordance with agency standards is a violation of OAR 331-535-0030(4) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(19) Failing to meet cleanliness and/or storage standards for linens is a violation of 331-535-0040 and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(20) Failing to meet storage requirements for instruments, products or chemicals is a violation of 331-540-0030 and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(21) Failing to dispose of materials contaminated with blood or bodily fluids in a sealable container or appropriate sharps container, or failing to have appropriate containers available is a violation of OAR 331-535-0030(3) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(22) Failing to have required covered waste receptacles is a violation of ORS 690.390(2) and OAR 331-535-0080(1) and may incur a penalty of \$100.

(23) Performing a restricted treatment(s) is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(j) and OAR 331-535-0010(3) and/or (4) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(24) Failing to have and maintain client case history records is a violation of ORS 690.390(3) and OAR 331-535-0010(2) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.407  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.407  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0265; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 550**

**DEFINITIONS FOR THE PRACTICE OF PERMANENT-COLOR TECHNICIANS AND TATTOO ARTISTS**

**331-550-0000**

**Permanent Coloring and Tattooing Definitions**

In addition to definitions listed in OAR 331-505-0000, the following terms apply as used in OAR 331, Divisions 550 through 590.

(1) "Access" means immediate unrestricted use or availability, easy to approach or enter.

(2) "Completed procedure" means, for the purposes of determining qualification for licensure under OAR 331-555-0010; a tattoo which has been finished, including any touchups or additional work following initial healing, and the client is released from service, as follows:

(a) Figurative tattooing includes outlining and shading, use of different size/configuration of needles, a new design on a client or a different client;

(b) Cosmetic tattooing includes eyeliner, eyebrows, lip liner, full lip color, repigmentation or camouflage but does not include beauty marks.

(3) "Direct supervision" means the teacher is present and actively involved in direct oversight and training to a person who has not completed the requirements of OAR 331-555-0010.

(4) "Instruments" means devices, tools and implements used in permanent coloring and tattooing services.

(5) "Needle" means the implement used to insert dyes or pigments into the dermis of the skin during permanent coloring or tattooing procedures.

(6) "Needle bar" means the metal or plastic device used to attach the needle to a tattoo machine.

(7) "Practical" means one-on-one training under the direct supervision of an teacher in the application of permanent coloring or tattooing.

(8) "Repigmentation" means recoloration of the skin:

(a) After dermabrasion, chemical peels, removal or resolution of birthmarks, vitiligo or other skin conditions which result in the loss of melanin to the skin;

(b) Scarring caused by surgical procedures, such as face lifts, mole or wart removal, cauterization, etc.;

(c) Burn grafts and other skin irregularities caused by burns or photo damage;

(d) Mastectomy, i.e. recreation of an areola or nipple; or

(e) Blotchy pigmentation requiring camouflage.

(9) "Theory" means all forms of relevant study, which do not involve the application of permanent makeup or tattoos on human skin. Theory may include but is not limited to review of videos or written matter, attendance at lectures, or application of tattoos or permanent makeup on materials other than human skin.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.405(9)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0020; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 555**

**PERMANENT COLOR TECHNICIANS AND TATTOO ARTISTS: QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSURE**

**331-555-0010**

**Approved Course of Study**

(1) To be approved by the Health Licensing Office, a course of study shall include at least 360 hours of instruction. The course shall include at least 210 hours of theory and at least 150 hours of practical work. This practical work must include as a minimum 50 completed procedures.

(2) All practical applications performed during training in the subject areas listed in subsection (3) of this rule shall be counted toward meeting the minimum 150 hours of practical tattooing experience.

(3) The agency's approved course of study shall include, but is not limited to, the following areas:

(a) Needles and needle bars: 20 hours of theory;

(b) Tattoo machines and equivalent equipment: 20 hours of theory;

(c) Equipment/Supplies: 20 hours of theory;

(d) Safety, Infection Control and Sterilization: 40 hours of theory;

(e) Basic color theory and pigments: 10 hours of theory;

(f) Design, art and placement: 10 hours of theory;

(g) Skin: 20 hours of theory;

(h) Client services 20 hours of theory;

(i) Business operations, including exposure control plan and federal regulations: 40 hours of theory;

(j) Oregon Laws and Rules: 10 hours of theory training.

(4) As part of the approved course of study, all hours of theory must be completed prior to practical work being performed on the general public.

(5) Training shall meet minimum objectives listed in OAR 331-555-0010 and shall be conducted under the direct supervision and authority of an Oregon licensed permanent coloring technician and tattoo artist, registered as a teacher by the Department of Education, Private Career Schools.

(6) A registered teacher shall provide direct supervision of practical training on a one-to-one student/teacher ratio as defined in OAR 331-550-0000(3) for students performing practical training and when the student is working on the general public.

(7) Arrangements for the time, place and cost of education and training shall be arranged between the applicant and the school providing the training.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.405 & 690.410

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.405 & 690.410

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0030; HDLP 2-

1999, f. & cert. ef. 7-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04, Renumbered from 331-555-0020

**331-555-0030**

**Experience Equivalency Standards**

An applicant shall not be required to comply with the training requirements under OAR 331-555-0010 to the extent the agency determines that training and/or work experience obtained is equivalent to minimum requirements based on documentation of two years full-time or four years part-time active work experience in the field of permanent coloring or tattooing.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.365, 690.405 & 690.410

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.365, 690.405 & 690.410

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0045 & 333-305-0050; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-555-0040**

**Application Requirements**

(1) Individuals applying for licensure to practice permanent coloring or tattooing must meet the requirements of OAR 331-030-0000 in addition to the provisions of this rule.

(2) Applicants must submit a completed application form prescribed by the agency, which shall contain the information listed in OAR 331-030-0000(5) and be accompanied by payment of the application, examination and license fees.

(3) Applicants shall be at least 18 years of age, and shall provide documentation, confirming date of birth, such as a copy of the birth certificate, driver's license, passport or school/military/governmental record.

(4) Applicants shall have completed four years of standard high school education or the equivalent. Acceptable documentation is a high school diploma, letter from school or military records verifying completion, GED passing scores, or proof of enrollment in a post-secondary educational institution.

(5) The completed application must include submission of satisfactory evidence of required training under OAR 331-555-0010 by one of the following education and training pathways for licensure:

(a) **OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT:** The document shall be mailed directly to the agency from a licensed or accredited school or an equivalent institution recognized by the agency, showing completion of the prescribed course of study, listed in OAR 331-555-0010 or its equivalent, approved by the agency, and shall be issued by:

(A) A school of tattooing licensed by the Department of Education, Private Career Schools, under ORS 345;

(B) A licensed or accredited school of tattooing located in another state where the practice is unregulated;

(C) An institution recognized by the agency, such as a medical facility or other county, state, or federal agency or entity, where training and education is provided by means of a standardized course of study, adhering to prescribed curriculum objectives and criteria.

(D) The transcript must be mailed or transmitted directly to the agency or delivered in a sealed envelope by an authorized courier.

(b) **OUT OF STATE LICENSURE:** A professional practicing under a valid permanent color or tattoo license issued by a city, state, or county which meets or exceeds Oregon standards must provide verification by the mailing of an original Affidavit of Licensure form affixed with the applicable state, county or city seal or stamp, signed by the regulatory authority where the application is currently licensed, and mailed directly to the agency by the regulatory authority.

(c) **EXPERIENCE EQUIVALENCY:** All other permanent color or tattoo professionals working in a city, county, state or country where the practice of permanent coloring and tattooing is unregulated, must provide documentation in the form of tax returns, authenticated by the federal Internal Revenue Service, verifying that the tax returns have been filed. Personal tax returns must substantiate that the individual acquired work experience through two years of active full-time practice in the field of permanent coloring or tattooing.

**NOTE:** The Division may request addition information to substantiate qualification if the tax return does not verify that the individual has been practicing permanent color or tattooing in an unregulated state.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.365 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.365 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0035; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 560

PERMANENT COLOR TECHNICIANS AND  
TATTOO ARTISTS: EXAMINATIONS**331-560-0000****Examination Authorization**

(1) The Health Licensing Office will conduct examinations for licensure. A schedule of examination dates and times is available at the agency upon request. Applicants will not be eligible for an examination until all documentation and fee requirements have been completed.

(2) The agency reserves the right to alter or adjust examination dates, times and locations as it deems necessary to meet emergency situations and will notify applicants and schools in advance whenever possible.

(3) Applicants shall be required to present photographic identification such as a driver's license and their original Social Security card at the time of the examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.370 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.370 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0075 & 333-305-0080; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-560-0010****Examination for Licensure**

(1) Applicants for licensure must satisfactorily pass the written examination(s) that tests the applicant's knowledge of:

(a) Basic principles of safety, infection control and sterilization;

(b) Oregon laws and rules (including licensure requirements and regulations);

(c) Chemical use and storage;

(d) Diseases/disorders (skin, HIV, Hepatitis B, C and D viruses, communicable/transmittable);

(e) Equipment, supplies, tools and implements;

(f) Practice standards;

(g) Facility standards;

(h) Definitions.

(2) The examination shall consist of two sections as follows:

(a) 100 written multiple choice questions not to exceed one hour in duration; and

(b) 50 written skill assessment questions not to exceed one hour in duration.

(3) Examination candidates must achieve a 75 percent or higher score on each section to pass the written examination.

(4) The examination will be conducted in English.

(5) Applicants failing to successfully complete the examination process and attain licensure within two years from the date of the initial application or the most recent examination attempt, whichever is later, shall be required to:

(a) Reapply for examination according to OAR 331-555-0040;

(b) Pay the appropriate fees; and

(c) Retake examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.405 & 690.410(3)(b)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.405 & 690.410(3)(b)

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0070; HDLP 2-1999, f. & cert. ef. 7-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-560-0020****Special Examination Accommodations**

(1) Applicants who have a learning, psychological, physical, or other disability, which requires an accommodation to the regular testing environment may request a special examination.

(2) Requests for accommodation shall be made on forms provided by the agency and shall contain supporting documentation completed by a licensed professional holding appropriate credentials qualified to certify that the applicant's disabling condition requires the requested test accommodation.

(3) A "Request for Accommodation" form must be submitted to the agency in advance of the scheduled examination date to make appropriate arrangements contingent upon the type of accommodation requested.

(4) All special examinations are conducted at the agency. If the agency is unable to accommodate the disability on-site special arrangements will be arranged for an adequate test site.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.370 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.370 & 690.405

Hist.: HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-560-0030****Examination Conduct; Disqualification**

(1) Examinations are conducted in a designated area with restricted access. Authorization must be provided by the agency before bringing any material or electronic equipment or devices into the examination. Receiving or attempting to receive assistance during the examination, including assistance from other individuals, from notes books or devices or taking unauthorized items into the examination area shall invalidate the examination and result in forfeiture of the examination and fees.

(2) Examination Disqualification: A candidate may be immediately disqualified during or after the examination for conduct that interferes with the examination. Such conduct includes:

(a) Giving or receiving aid, directly or indirectly during the examination process;

(b) Obtaining help or information from notes, books, or other individuals to answer questions;

(c) Removing or attempting to remove any examination-related information, notes or materials from the examination site;

(d) Failing to follow directions relative to the conduct of the examination; and

(e) Exhibiting behavior that impedes the normal progress of the examination.

(3) Disqualification will invalidate the examination and result in forfeiture of the examination fees. The applicant will be required to reapply, submit additional examination fees and request in writing to schedule another examination. Reexamination will be scheduled at a date, time and place determined by the Director following the date of disqualification. Re-examination will be conducted at the agency.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.410

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.410

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0090; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-560-0040****Notification of Examination Results**

Examination results will be issued following completion of each examination section as part of the agency's automated testing system. Applicants taking examinations conducted under special accommodation will be mailed results within seven calendar days following the date of examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.370 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 690.370 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0095; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-560-0050****Examination Review**

(1) Opportunity to review failed sections of the examination, conducted by use of the electronic touch screen computer testing system, are provided at the conclusion of each examination question/answer selection, or immediately following conclusion of the entire examination. Review of failed examination sections at a later time or date is prohibited.

(2) Applicants retaking the examination must present photographic identification such as a driver's license and their original Social Security card, as required by OAR 331-560-0000.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0100; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-560-0060****Retake of Examination Sections; Additional Training**

(1) Failed sections of the examination may be retaken at the next available examination date and time, as scheduling allows. Retaking

a failed examination requires registration and payment of the examination fees.

(2) Applicants who fail to pass any section of the written examination after three attempts (initial examination plus two retakes) shall be required to complete an additional 100 hours of instruction in theory, focused on the approved curriculum outlined in OAR 331-555-0010(3), with emphasis on safety, infection control and sterilization, needles, machines, and equipment. Additional instruction must be obtained though an Oregon career school licensed under ORS 345.010 to 345.450.

(3) Prior to an applicant's fourth examination attempt, an official transcript must be received from an Oregon licensed career school which verifies that the applicant has satisfactorily completed the additional required hours of instruction.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.370 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.370 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0105 & 333-305-0110; HDLP 2-1999, f. & cert. ef. 7-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 565**

**PERMANENT COLOR TECHNICIANS AND TATTOO ARTISTS: LICENSE ISSUANCE, RENEWAL AND REACTIVATION**

**331-565-0000**

**License Issuance; Renewal**

(1) Licensees are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010 regarding issuance and renewal of a license, and to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0020 regarding the authorization to practice, identification, and the requirements for issuance of a duplicate authorization.

(2) Renewal payments received by the agency, or postmarked, after the expiration date but within one year of expiration, will be assessed a late fee in addition to the annual renewal fee.

(3) A license which has been expired for more than one year, but less than three, shall be deemed suspended and may be reactivated by meeting renewal and continuing education requirements and payment of:

- (a) A suspended renewal fee for each year expired;
- (b) A reactivation fee; and
- (c) A renewal fee.

(4) Failure to meet continuing education requirements listed in OAR 331-570-0000 will require reapplication, submission of an application fee, examination fees and one-year licensee fee, and successfully passing all sections of the examination before a license will be reissued.

(5) Failure to renew or reactivate a license within three years from the date of expiration will require reapplication, submission of an application fee, examination fees and one-year licensee fee, and successfully passing all sections of the examination before a license will be reissued.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.385 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.385 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0115; HDLP 2-1999, f. & cert. ef. 7-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-565-0020**

**Facility License Issuance and Renewal; Cooperation in Inspections**

All facilities must be licensed to provide permanent color and tattoo services prior to operating permanent color and tattoo facilities.

(1) The agency will issue a facility license to a qualified person, as provided in OAR 331-030-0010, if the applicant:

- (a) Is at least 18 years of age, if the applicant is a natural person, as required in ORS 690.365(2). If the applicant is an entity other than a natural person, the entity must be formed and operated in accordance with Oregon law;
- (b) Has registered with the Corporations Division and received an assumed business name prior to applying for a facility license (unless doing business under the full name of the owner);
- (c) Applies on a form and with the information prescribed by the agency and pays the required application and license fees;

- (d) Complies with all applicable rules and regulations;
- (e) Certifies that application information is correct; and
- (f) Meets the specifications for building, fire and plumbing codes as specified in OAR 331-580-0000 and complies with exit and fire standards established by the Building Codes Agency and Office of the State Fire Marshal.

(2) Facility license applicant must provide a map or direction to the business premises if the facility is located in a rural or isolated area, and submit a copy of the spore test results from applicant's autoclave, or submit a signed attestation requesting an exemption under OAR 331-585-0020(2) based on the exclusive use of prepackaged sterile tattooing equipment, including needles.

(3) A facility license holder must comply with the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010 regarding issuance and renewal of a facility license.

- (4) Each facility license holder must:
  - (a) Allow the agency's enforcement officer to inspect the facility when it is open for business;
  - (b) Ensure employees cooperate with agency enforcement officers and refrain from impeding an inspection in any way;
  - (c) Contact the agency in writing to make arrangements for an inspection if the agency has been unable to perform an annual inspection because the facility was closed.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.360 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 690.360 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0062; HDLP 2-1999, f. & cert. ef. 7-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-565-0025**

**Facility Located in Residence**

A facility located in a residence must comply with the provisions of OAR 331-565-0020 in addition to the following criteria:

- (1) Have an identifying house number or a sign, which is easily visible from the street and indicates the location of the facility;
- (2) Be equipped with the structures, accommodations, and equipment which the agency requires for all facilities; and
- (3) Have an entry that is separate from the entry to the living area of the home. The living area of the home shall be separated from the facility by solid walls extending from floor to ceiling, with any connecting doors kept closed while the facility is in actual operation.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.360 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.390 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-565-0030**

**Facility License Requirements**

(1) A facility shall meet the requirements for a new facility (refer to OAR 331-565-0020) and submit a new facility application and required fees when any of the following conditions exist:

- (a) A facility is purchased from the current or previous owner, partnership or corporation. Facility licenses are not transferable from person-to-person or from business-to-business;
- (b) There is a change in the legal ownership, partnership or holding of a facility regulated under ORS 690 and OAR 331, such as:
  - (A) A partner(s) or co-owner(s) is added; or
  - (B) A partner(s) or co-owner(s) is removed, including change in ownership status due to death of facility owner(s).
- (c) An existing facility moves or relocates to a new physical address. Facility licenses are not transferable from location-to-location.

(2) Facility owners closing their facilities shall:

- (a) Submit written notice to the agency within five business days of a facility closure, indicating whether the closure is permanent or of a temporary duration. Notice of temporary facility closure shall specify the anticipated date of resuming business operations;
- (b) If notice of a permanent facility closure was submitted, and the license holder (same owner) reopens the facility while the license is still in renewable or active status, the facility owner shall submit notice to the agency prior to reopening the facility and resuming business operations/services.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.360 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 690.360 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0062; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-565-0040****Display of License**

All practitioner and facility licenses must be posted in public view.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.380  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.380  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0140; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-565-0050****Duplicate Licenses**

(1) The Division will issue a duplicate license provided the request is made in writing, certifying the original license has been lost or destroyed and the appropriate fee is enclosed.

(2) The posting of a reproduction of any license is prohibited unless the Division issued and marked it "Duplicate."

(3) The posting of a pocket identification card in lieu of a license is prohibited.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.405 & 690.415  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.405 & 690.415  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0145

**331-565-0060****Practicing at Location Other Than Named Place(s) of Business**

(1) Licensees shall not practice at any location other than the place or places of business listed with the agency. However, licensees may provide services outside the premises of a licensed facility on persons residing in a health care facility or persons confined to their residence through medical disability or restriction.

(2) All licensees who perform services at approved locations as listed in subsection (1) of this rule, or at more than one business location shall carry their license with them and post it while working.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0185; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-565-0075****Demonstration Permit**

(1) "Demonstration permit" is an authorization pursuant to ORS 690.405 to practice on a limited basis for a maximum of 30 consecutive days.

(2) A person not licensed under ORS 690.365, who intends to demonstrate, teach or perform permanent coloring or tattooing services, temporarily for educational purposes or at artistic competitions, where services are not performed upon the public, must first obtain a demonstration permit from the agency.

(3) To be granted a demonstration permit a person must meet the following requirements:

- (a) Submit an application on a form prescribed by the agency;
- (b) Provide satisfactory evidence of holding a valid license in their city, state, or country;
- (c) Describe the purpose for which the permit is sought; and
- (d) Pay the required application and permit fees.

(4) The demonstration permit will specify the period during which the person is permitted to demonstrate, teach or perform services.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-565-0080****Temporary Facility Permit**

(1) "Temporary facility permit" is an authorization pursuant to ORS 690.405 to operate a facility on a limited basis, not to exceed 30 consecutive calendar days, at locations away from the primary facility, such as fairs, carnivals or bazaars.

(2) A person who intends to operate a facility on a limited basis away from a primary licensed facility must first obtain a temporary facility permit from the agency.

(3) To be granted a temporary facility permit, a person must meet the following requirements:

(a) Be 18 years of age or older, if the applicant is a natural person. If the applicant is an entity other than a natural person, the entity must be formed and operated in accordance with Oregon law;

(b) Apply on forms prescribed by the agency and provide the required information and application fees.

(4) A temporary facility must:

(a) Receive the permit and post the authorization in public view before opening for business;

(b) Comply with the rules of the agency concerning health, safety and infection control;

(c) Comply with the applicable health and safety laws and rules of the agency and any other state agencies;

(d) Pay the required permit fees.

(5) The temporary facility permit shall specify the period during which the permit is valid.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 570****PERMANENT COLOR TECHNICIANS AND TATTOO ARTISTS: CONTINUING EDUCATION****331-570-0000****Continuing Education for License Renewal**

To maintain licensure all permanent color technicians and tattoo artists must comply with the following continuing education requirements:

(1) Complete 15 clock hours of satisfactory continuing education, either as one unit or combination of units, not less than one hour each, every three years.

(2) Satisfactory continuing education courses must fit into the approved course of study outlined in OAR 331-555-0010, and must be obtained as follows:

(a) Participation or attendance at an instructional program presented, recognized, or under the auspices of any permanently organized institution, agency, or completion and certification by an approved national home study organization; or

(b) Self-study, participation, or attendance not covered by subsection (a) of this rule may comprise up to six hours of the total requirement. Self-study may include continuing education obtained by means of the following:

(A) Correspondence courses;

(B) Review of publications, textbooks, printed material, or audio cassette(s);

(C) Viewing of films, videos, or slides;

(c) Attendance at meetings of the Advisory Council for Electrologists and Permanent Color Technicians and Tattoo Artists may be credited for a maximum of three hours per meeting, totaling no more than six hours per three year reporting period.

(3) Licensees must report compliance with the continuing education requirement through attestation on the license renewal document. Licensees will be subject to the provisions of OAR 331-570-0020 pertaining to periodic audit of continuing education.

(4) Continuing education requirements apply whether the applicant renewing a license is living or working within Oregon or outside of the state as long as Oregon licensure is maintained.

(5) Hours of continuing education, in excess of the requirement for renewal every three years, will not be carried forward.

(6) Continuing education is required for renewal, every three years, even if the license has been inactive or suspended during that period.

(7) To ensure adequate evidence of attainment of required continuing education is available for audit or investigation by the agency, records of attendance must be maintained for two years following the three-year continuing education cycle and renewal of the permanent coloring and tattooing license.

(8) Licensees failing to obtain 15 clock hours of continuing education every three years must reapply and qualify according to the requirements of OAR 331-555-0040 and successfully pass a written examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.385  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.385

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0125 & 333-305-0130; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04, Renumbered from 331-570-0010

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.390  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.390  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0190

**331-570-0020**

**Continuing Education: Audit, Required Documentation and Sanctions**

(1) The Health Licensing Office will audit a select percentage of licenses determined by the Council to verify compliance with continuing education requirements.

(2) Licensees notified of selection for audit of continuing education attestation must submit to the agency, within 30 calendar days from the date of notification, satisfactory evidence of participation in required continuing education in accordance with OAR 331-570-0000.

(3) Documentation of attendance at a program or course provided by the sponsor must include:

- (a) Name of sponsoring institution/association or organization;
- (b) Title of presentation and description of content;
- (c) Name of instructor or presenter;
- (d) Date of attendance and duration in hours;
- (e) Course agenda;
- (f) Official transcript, diploma, certificate, statement or affidavit from the sponsor, attesting to attendance.

(4) Documentation substantiating the completion of continuing education through self-study must show a direct relation to subjects outlined in OAR 331-555-0010, be submitted on forms provided by the agency and include the following:

(a) Name of sponsor or source, type of study, description of content, date of completion and duration in clock hours;

(b) Name of approved correspondence courses or national home study issues;

(c) Name of publications, textbooks, printed material or audio-cassette's, including date of publication, publisher, and ISBN issued.

(d) Name of films, videos, or slides, including date of production, name of sponsor or producer and catalog number.

(5) If documentation of continuing education is invalid or incomplete, the licensee must correct the deficiency within 30 calendar days from the date of notice. Failure to correct the deficiency within the prescribed time shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action.

(6) Misrepresentation of continuing education, or failing to meet continuing education requirements or documentation may result in disciplinary action, which may include, but is not limited to assessment of a civil penalty and suspension or revocation of the license.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 575**

**PERMANENT COLOR TECHNICIANS AND TATTOO ARTISTS: PRACTICE STANDARDS**

**331-575-0000**

**Required Equipment; Articles and Materials**

(1) Permanent color technicians and tattoo artists shall provide and maintain at the place of business an adequate supply of disinfecting or sterilizing equipment, tools/implements, and other necessary materials for his/her own practice needs, taking into account volume of business.

(2) The following equipment shall be maintained at the place of business:

- (a) Tattoo machine or hand pieces, of non-porous material which can be sanitized;
- (b) Stainless steel or carbon needles and needle bars;
- (c) Tubes, stainless steel, brass, or lexan which can be sterilized;
- (d) Stencils, plastic acetate or single use disposable carbon paper;
- (e) Sterilization bags with color strip indicator;
- (f) Protective disposable gloves;
- (g) Single use or disposable plastic tubes, razors or straight razor;
- (h) Single use towels, tissues or paper products;
- (i) Sharps container;
- (j) Commercially purchased inks, dyes and pigments.

(3) Approved equipment for cleaning and sterilizing instruments shall be maintained at the place of business.

**331-575-0010**

**Practice Standards; Restrictions**

(1) Licensees shall keep an individual record of each client. That record shall include the name, date of birth and address of the client, and the date and duration of each service, type of service, special instructions, and medical history or client conditions, including:

- (a) Diabetes;
- (b) Client sensitivities;
- (c) Cold sores and fever blisters;
- (d) Epilepsy;
- (e) Heart conditions;
- (f) Hemophilia;
- (g) Hepatitis;
- (h) Use of blood thinners;
- (i) Moles or freckles at the site of service;
- (j) Psoriasis or eczema;
- (k) Pregnancy or breast-feeding/nursing;
- (l) Scarring (keloid);
- (m) Other medical or skin conditions.

(2) Licensees may obtain advice from physicians regarding medical information needed to safeguard client and technician or artist.

(3) Records shall be kept for a minimum of two years.

(4) Pre-service information in written form shall be given to client to advise of possible reactions, side effects and potential complications of the tattooing process. Aftercare instructions shall be given to the client both verbally and in writing after every service.

(5) Before and after photographs shall be taken for medical tattooing procedures, and records maintained.

(6) Inks, dyes, or pigments shall be purchased from a commercial supplier or manufacturer. Products banned or restricted by the Food and Drug Administration shall not be used.

(7) Tattooing is prohibited:

(a) On a person who is inebriated or appears to be incapacitated by the use of alcohol or drugs;

(b) On persons who show signs of intravenous drug use;

(c) On persons with sunburn or other skin diseases or disorders such as open lesions, rashes, wounds, puncture marks in areas of treatment;

(d) On persons under 18 years of age, regardless of parental or legal guardian consent, except when authorized or prescribed by a physician's statement exclusively for medical repigmentation as defined in OAR 331-550-0000(8).

(8) Proof of age must be documented in the client's record by one of the following:

(A) Copy of current government issued photographic identification; or

(B) Notation of the type of current government issued photographic identification presented with the identification number.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0150; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-575-0020**

**Permanent Color and Tattoo Procedures; Preparation and Aftercare**

(1) During preparation, performance of service, and aftercare phases all substances shall be dispensed from containers in a manner to prevent contamination of the unused portion (refer to OAR 331-585-0000). Use of spray bottle to apply liquid to skin is acceptable. Single use tubes or containers and applicators shall be discarded following tattoo service.

(2) The client's skin shall be cleansed, excluding the areas surrounding the eyes, by washing with a Food and Drug Administration (FDA) germicidal solution applied with a clean single-use paper product before placing the design on the client's skin or beginning tattooing work.

(3) If the area is to be shaved, the licensee shall use a single use disposable safety razor or sterilized straight-edged razor, and then rewash client's skin.

(4) Substances applied to client's skin to transfer design from stencil or paper shall be single use. Paper stencils and skin scribes shall be single-use and disposed of immediately following service.

(5) Body pencils used during a tattoo service shall have the tip removed, the body and tip of pen disinfected, and the tip sharpened to remove exposed edge after use on a client and prior to use on another client.

(6) The plastic or acetate stencil used to transfer the design to the client's skin shall be thoroughly cleansed and rinsed in an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved high-level disinfectant according to the manufacturers instructions and then dried with a clean single-use paper product.

(7) Individual portions of inks, dyes, or pigments in clean single-use containers shall be used for each client. Any remaining unused dye or pigments shall be discarded immediately following service.

(8) Excess ink, dye, or pigment applied to the client's skin shall be removed with clean single-use paper product obtained from a self-dispensing container.

(9) Use of styptic pencils or alum solids to check any blood flow is prohibited.

(10) Upon completion of tattooing, the skin shall be cleansed, excluding the area surrounding the eyes, with a clean single-use paper product saturated with an (FDA) approved germicidal solution.

(11) A sanitary covering shall be placed if appropriate or over large designs and adhered to the skin with suitable skin tape. The use of any clear plastic wrap for covering tattoos is prohibited.

(12) Aftercare shall consist of both verbal and written instructions concerning proper care of the tattooed skin. Instructions shall specify:

- (a) Care following service;
- (b) Possible side affects; and
- (c) Restrictions.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.390

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.390

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0252; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-575-0030

#### Handwashing/Protective Gloves; Handling Disposable Materials

(1) **HAND WASHING:** Permanent color technicians and tattoo artists shall observe and adhere to the following hand washing standards when serving clients:

(a) Hands must be washed before and after treatment of each client and before putting on gloves and immediately after gloves are removed;

(b) Thorough hand washing shall be by use of soap and water or other alternative hand washing product, such as jell, aerosol spray, foam, or pre-packaged hand wipes, immediately before and after serving each client as needed. Use of bar soap is prohibited;

(2) **PROTECTIVE GLOVES:** Permanent color technicians and tattoo artists shall observe and adhere to the following protective glove standards when serving clients:

(a) A new pair of disposable gloves must be worn during the treatment of each client;

(b) Hands must be washed in accordance with the hand washing standards stated in subsection (1) of this rule before putting on gloves and immediately after gloves are removed;

(c) If a practitioner uses low-powdered gloves, the excess exterior powder must be removed to prevent powder contact with the client's skin during treatment;

(d) When a treatment session is interrupted:

(A) A protective covering must be used over the gloved hand/hands; or

(B) Gloves must be removed and discarded.

(e) When gloves are removed during a treatment session, hands must be washed and a fresh pair of gloves used;

(f) Torn or perforated gloves must be removed immediately, and hands must be washed after gloves are removed.

(3) **DISPOSABLE MATERIALS:** Permanent color technicians and tattoo artists shall observe and adhere to the following disposable material standards when serving clients:

(a) All waste materials related to treatment shall be disposed of in a covered container after each client service;

(b) Disposable materials in contact with blood and/or body fluids shall be placed in a sealable plastic bag, separate from sealable trash or garbage liners, and then disposed of in a covered container;

(c) Disposable sharp objects in contact with blood and/or body fluids shall be disposed of in an appropriate "sharps container" as defined in OAR 331-505-0000(32);

(d) Permanent color technicians or tattoo artists shall have both sealable plastic bags and sealable rigid containers available at the facility.

(4) The client's skin shall be cleansed by applying an antiseptic or antibacterial solution prior to and following treatment.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0210, 333-305-0215 & 333-305-0235; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-575-0040

#### Communicable and Blood Borne Diseases

A licensee providing service or working in a facility while diagnosed with having acquired an immunodeficiency virus and related immunodeficiency conditions or the Hepatitis viruses (B, C and/or D) shall observe and follow all current Centers for Disease Control (CDC) standards for public service workers regarding personal protection equipment and disposal of blood or bodily fluid contaminated articles, tools and equipment. This includes practitioners or employees providing services to clients who have been diagnosed with having an immunodeficiency virus, related conditions or the Hepatitis viruses (B, C and/or D).

**NOTE:** It is the position of the Division that human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) is the cause of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) and related immunodeficiency conditions. This virus, as well as Hepatitis B Virus (HBV), Hepatitis C virus (HCV) and Hepatitis D virus (HDV), may be transmitted by sharp instruments contaminated by blood or other body fluids, if standard precautions are not followed. As the carriers of these viruses may have no symptoms, the most prudent course to follow is to treat body fluids from all persons with the same high standards of caution and to rigorously follow established safety and sanitation practices as required by the law and rules of the Division. There is no published evidence to support casual transmission of HIV, by sneezing or touching, even in close household settings involving AIDS patients and family members caring for them at home. Because HIV is not spread by casual means and because of the inadequacies of the HIV antibody test, there is no reason for the Division to require blood tests prior to licensure. Good hand washing after glove removal and between each client is imperative and the most important procedure for prevention of all infections, including HIV. Uniform body fluid precautions are ample to prevent transmission of HIV, HBV, HCV and/or HDV in a facility setting.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.390

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.390

Hist.: HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-575-0050

#### Linens

(1) Clean linens shall be used for each client.

(2) A common towel is prohibited.

(3) Air blowers can be substituted for hand towels.

(4) Clean linens, tissues or single-use paper products shall be stored in a clean, enclosed storage area until needed for immediate use.

(5) Used linens shall be disposed of or stored in a closed or covered container until laundered.

(6) Used linens shall be laundered either by a regular commercial laundering or by a noncommercial laundering process which includes use of commercial laundry detergent manufactured for the specific purpose of cleaning clothes, linens or other washable fabric, and immersion in hot water during the wash/rinse operation.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.390

Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.390

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0220

## DIVISION 580

**PERMANENT COLOR TECHNICIANS AND TATTOO ARTISTS: FACILITY STANDARDS****331-580-0000****Compliance with all Applicable Regulations**

(1) Licensees and facility owners shall observe all applicable state regulations pertaining to public health and safety. Compliance with building, state fire, plumbing, and electrical regulations is required.

(2) In addition, when an employee/employer relationship exists, practitioners shall comply with ORS 654 and the Oregon Safe Employment Act.

(3) Permanent color technicians and tattoo artists shall observe and adhere with all Oregon Occupational Safety & Health Codes (OR-OSHA), OAR 437 and 29 CFR 1910.1030 Bloodborne Pathogens.

(4) Every permanent color and tattoo facility shall have a written Exposure Control Plan. All procedures developed for the facility's exposure control plan shall be in compliance with OSHA state and federal regulations and with current Centers for Disease Control (CDC) standards for public service workers.

(5) Only authorized equipment or products may be utilized, and in addition, must only be used in a manner approved by manufacturers and appropriate regulatory agencies.

[Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]

Stat. Auth.: ORS 654, 676.605, 676.615 & 690.390

Stats. Implemented: ORS 654, 676.605, 676.615 & 690.390

Hist.: HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-580-0010****Criteria for Facilities**

(1) All facilities shall have a treatment area/operator that is separate, private, or screened from the entrance, waiting area, and/or other treatment areas.

(2) Facilities shall be kept clean and orderly, and equipment shall be maintained in good repair.

(3) All surfaces (counters, tables, equipment, client chairs or recliners) in treatment and sterilization areas shall be made of smooth, non-absorbent and non-porous material.

(4) All floors and walls shall be easily cleanable. Floors and walls in the treatment area shall be made of smooth, non-absorbent and non-porous material. Concrete blocks or other masonry used in wall construction shall be covered or made smooth and sealed for a washable surface.

(5) A high-level disinfectant or bleach solution, used according to the manufacturer's instructions, shall be used to disinfect surfaces contaminated by blood or bodily fluids.

(6) Pets or other animals shall not be permitted in the business facility. This prohibition does not apply to therapy animals, trained guide animals for the disabled, sightless or hearing impaired, fish in aquariums or to nonpoisonous reptiles in terrariums.

(7) Tattoo services provided in beauty facilities shall be separated by a permanent, solid barrier from hair design and nail technology services in such a manner as to prevent contact with irritants including but not limited to hair spray and nail dust.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0165, 333-305-0175 & 333-305-0180; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-580-0020****Water Supply Requirements and Standards**

(1) The quality and construction of facility water supplies shall meet the requirements of ORS Chapter 448, the State Plumbing Code, OAR 437 and 918, division 750.

(2) Facility water supplies shall have a minimum of 20 pounds pressure per square inch in accordance with the State Plumbing code.

(3) All facilities shall have immediate access to an adequate supply of both hot and cold running water and wash basins on the facility premises or as part of surrounding premises or adjacent to the facility. Sinks located in the restroom do not qualify as a water source for the facility premises.

(4) Waste from toilets or lavatories discharged directly into a public sewer or by a method meeting the requirements of ORS 454.

(5) Hand washing accommodations shall be provided in work areas where employees are exposed to hazardous materials, which may have a harmful effect on or be absorbed through the skin.

(6) Washing accommodations shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 448, 654, 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 448, 654, 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0165; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-580-0030****Compliance with Indoor Clean Air Act**

Any public place in a facility shall be governed under the Oregon Indoor Clean Air Act as it appears in ORS 433.835 through 433.875.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 433.835 - 433.875, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405(9)

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0170; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 585

**PERMANENT COLOR TECHNICIANS AND TATTOO ARTISTS: SAFETY AND STERILIZATION STANDARDS****331-585-0000****Cleaning Requirements and Standards**

(1) All items that come in direct contact with the client's skin that do not require disinfecting shall be clean.

(2) All items that come in direct contact with the client's skin that cannot be cleaned or disinfected shall be disposed of in a covered waste receptacle immediately after use.

(3) All substances used in the practice of permanent color technicians and tattoo artists shall be dispensed from containers in a manner to prevent contamination of the unused portion.

(4) All disinfecting solutions and/or agents shall be kept at adequate strengths to maintain effectiveness, be free of foreign material and be available for immediate use at all times the facility is open for business.

(5) The agency shall authorize the use of disinfecting agents provided those agents are EPA registered and meet the criteria set forth in OAR 331-505-0000(12) and (15).

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405

Hist.: HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-585-0010****Instrument Cleaning; Sterilization Standards**

(1) Prior to sterilizing, instruments shall be brushed and/or swabbed to remove foreign material or debris, rinsed and then cleaned by one of the following approved methods:

(a) Immersing in detergent and water in an ultra sonic unit that operates at 40 to 60 hertz, followed by a thorough rinsing and wiping; or

(b) Submerging and soaking in a protein dissolving detergent/enzyme cleaner, followed by a thorough rinsing and wiping.

(2) Instruments or other equipment which are "heat-sensitive" shall be disinfected by complete immersion of the object(s) or portion(s) thereof to be disinfected, in a high-level disinfectant which has demonstrated tuberculocidal activity, and used according to the manufacturer's instructions.

(3) Cleaned instruments used in the practice of permanent coloring and tattooing shall be placed in sterile bags or containers with color strip indicators, sterilized by exposure to one cycle of an approved sterilizer listed in OAR 331-585-0020, and handled with sterile transfer equipment during placement into sterile bags or containers.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0200 & 333-305-0205; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-585-0020**

**Approved Sterilization Modes**

(1) Licensees must sterilize instruments used in the practice of permanent coloring or tattooing by means of an approved sterilizing device registered and listed with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, used, cleaned and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Approved sterilizing devices include an autoclave (steam or chemical) or dry heat unit.

(2) In lieu of sterilization methods listed in (1) above, a licensee may use single-use, prepackaged, sterilized equipment, obtained from commercial suppliers or manufacturers.

(3) Sterilizing devices shall be tested during each sterilizing cycle by means of a commercial test mechanism, such as but not limited to color strip indicators to measure temperature control and general functioning of the equipment.

(4) Sterilizing devices shall be tested at least quarterly for functionality and thorough sterilization by using a commercial biological monitoring (spore) system to assure all microorganisms, including spores, have been destroyed.

(5) Biological test results must be on laboratory letterhead and must contain the test date, and the name, model and serial number of the unit tested. Biological test results shall be retained for a two-year period and must be available for inspection at all times.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 690.390 & 690.405  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0195; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-585-0030**

**Clean Instruments; Products Storage**

(1) Before use, disposable products that come in contact with the areas to be treated shall be stored in clean containers that can be closed between treatments.

(2) Clean, sterilized re-usable instruments that come in contact with the areas to be treated, shall be stored in clean, sterilized sealed bags or containers to maintain effective sterilization of the instrument until removed from the container.

(3) Clean, sterilized re-usable transfer instruments shall be stored in a clean, dry, sterilized container.

(4) Chemicals shall be stored in labeled, closed containers in an enclosed storage area.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.390  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.390  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0225 & 333-305-0230

**331-585-0040**

**Waste Receptacles**

(1) All waste material related to treatment shall be deposited in a covered container following service for each client.

(2) Waste disposed in receptacles located in reception and/or restroom areas is limited to materials which are not practice-related or used in the performance of any client services. Waste receptacles located in these areas are exempt from the covered container requirement listed in subsection (1) of this rule.

(3) Outer surface of waste disposal containers shall be kept clean.  
 Stat. Auth.: ORS 690.390  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 690.390  
 Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0240

**DIVISION 590**

**COMPLIANCE**

**331-590-0000**

**Investigative Authority**

The Health Licensing Office may initiate and conduct investigations of matters relating to the practice of electrolysis, permanent coloring or tattooing, pursuant to ORS 676.608 and 676.618, and may take appropriate disciplinary action in accordance with the provisions of ORS 676.612 and 690.407.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.608, 676.618, 690.405 & 690.407  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.608, 676.618, 690.405 & 690.407

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0255; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-590-0020**

**Schedule of Penalties for Licensing Violations; Violation of Standards**

The Health Licensing Office has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the first and second violations of the following laws and rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referenced in OAR 331-020-0060. For subsequent violations the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply.

(1) Practicing or holding one's self out as available to practice, or using the title permanent color technician or tattoo artist without first receiving a current, valid practitioner and/or facility license is a violation of ORS 690.355 and OAR 331-030-0020(1)(f) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(2) Practicing or holding one's self out as available to practice, or using the title permanent color technician or tattoo artist with an expired or suspended practitioner and/or facility license is a violation of ORS 676.612(4) or 690.355 and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(3) Failing to post a current, valid license in public view is a violation of OAR 331-525-0020 and may incur a penalty of \$200.

(4) Failing to provide appropriate photographic identification upon request by the agency is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(o) and OAR 332-030-0020(4) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(5) Failing to submit changes of required licensing information within time frame set in rule is a violation of OAR 331-010-0040(1) and (2) and may incur a penalty of \$50.

(6) Practicing at location other than places of businesses designated to the agency, except as permitted by rule is a violation of OAR 331-565-0060(1) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(7) Using a reproduction of a license in place of an original is a violation of OAR 331-030-0020(3) and may incur a penalty of \$50.

(8) Failing to allow inspection of the premises by the agency upon request is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(o), OAR 331-020-0070(2)(d) and/or 331-565-0020(4) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(9) Failing to meet the facility or practice standards adopted by the agency is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(j), 690.390(1) and OAR 331-580-0000(1) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(10) Failing to provide a private or separate treatment area for clients is a violation of OAR 331-580-0010(1) and may incur a penalty of \$100.

(11) Except as provided by rule, allowing animals in the facility is a violation of OAR 331-580-0010(6) and may incur a penalty of \$100.

(12) Failing to maintain the required equipment or have approved test indicators at facility is a violation of ORS 690.390(2) and OAR 331-575-0000 and may incur a penalty of: \$500 and/or suspension or revocation.

(13) Failing to use approved test indicators or mechanism as required to ensure proper sterilization is a violation of ORS 690.390(1) and OAR 331-585-0020(3), (4) and/or (5) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(14) Failing to sterilize instruments using an approved mode is a violation of ORS 690.390(1) and (2), OAR 331-585-0020(1) and/or (2) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(15) Failing to meet sterilization standards is a violation of ORS 690.390(1) and (2) and OAR 331-585-0010(2) and/or (3) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(16) Failing to clean instruments prior to sterilization is a violation of OAR 331-585-0010(1) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(17) Failing to wash hands before and after treatment and/or wear protective gloves is a violation of OAR 331-575-0030(1) and/or (2) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(18) Failing to prepare treatment area on a client in accordance with agency standards is a violation of OAR 331-575-0030(4) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(19) Failing to meet cleanliness and/or storage standards for linens is a violation of OAR 331-575-0050 and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(20) Failing to meet storage requirements for instruments, products or chemicals is a violation of OAR 331-585-0030 and may incur a penalty of \$500.

(21) Failing to dispose of materials contaminated with blood or bodily fluids in a sealable container or appropriate sharps container, or failing to have appropriate containers available is a violation of OAR 331-575-0030(3) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(22) Failing to have required covered waste receptacles is a violation of ORS 690.390(3) and OAR 331-585-0040(1) and may incur a penalty of \$100.

(23) Performing a restricted treatment is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(j) and OAR 331-575-0010(7) and may incur a penalty of \$1,000.

(24) Failing to have and maintain client case history records is a violation of ORS 690.390(3) and OAR 331-575-0010(1), (2), (3), (4) and/or (5) and may incur a penalty of \$500.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.407

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 690.407

Hist.: HD 16-1988, f. & cert. ef. 7-15-88; HD 4-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 24-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HDLP 1-1999, f. 1-26-99, cert. ef. 2-1-99, Renumbered from 333-305-0265; HLO 5-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 601

### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

#### 331-601-0000

##### Definitions

The following definitions apply to OAR 331-610-0000 through 331-650-0010.

(1) "Advisory Council" means, pursuant to ORS 694.165, the entity that advises the agency in matters relating the practice of hearing aid dispensing in accordance with ORS 694.170. The agency director controls the regulatory operations and has decision-making authority on all substantive matters.

(2) "Agency" means the Health Licensing Office. The agency is responsible for the budget, personnel, performance-based outcomes, consumer protection, fee collection, mediation, complaint resolution, discipline, rulemaking and record keeping.

(3) "Application" means an original document provided by the agency, bearing an original signature of the applicant.

(4) "Application fee" means fee for processing application or reapplication for licensure, including administering an examination.

(5) "Assistive listening device" means a device that may meet the statutory definition of a hearing aid but has been determined by the agency not to be a hearing aid for the purposes of ORS 694 and OAR 331, divisions 610 through 650.

(6) "Audiologist" means a person licensed under ORS 681 and who practices audiology as defined by that statute.

(7) "Consummation of sale" means when the purchaser takes delivery or possession of the hearing aid after agreeing to purchase the hearing aid.

(8) "Demonstration instrument" means a hearing aid that has been worn by a prospective user as part of a bona fide hearing aid evaluation conducted in the presence of the hearing aid specialist.

(9) "Delivery" means, as used in ORS 694.042(2), acceptance and possession of the hearing aids by the consumer, which starts the 30 calendar day rescission right period. Hearing aids that have been out of the consumer's possession for a period of 72 hours or more for any alternation or adjustment during the 30 calendar day rescission right period restarts the 30 calendar day rescission right period. Delivery includes:

(a) The initial fitting and delivery of the hearing aid(s) must be performed in person by a licensed hearing aid specialist, including the acceptance and possession of the hearing aid(s);

(b) Return of hearing aid by the consumer to the specialist may be hand carried or mailed by certified mail to the official place of business of the hearing aid specialist.

(10) "Direct supervision" means the supervisor is present in the facility for the purpose of supervising and in view the procedures performed by a registered trainee who has not completed the training requirements stated in OAR 331-610-0010.

(11) "Director" means the individual who is responsible for the performance of the agency as defined in ORS 676.610. The director

appoints all subordinate officers and employees to carry out the duties of the agency.

(12) "Equivalent" means comparable but not identical, covering the same subject matter.

(13) "Facility" means physical place of business where services defined in ORS 694.015(4) are conducted, including but not limited to all areas used by hearing aid dealer specialist and client, i.e. testing location, waiting/reception area.

(14) "Health Licensing Office" means the agency.

(15) "Hearing aid" as defined in ORS 694.015(3) does not mean assistive listening devices as set forth in OAR 331-640-0000.

(16) "High level disinfectant" means a chemical agent, which has demonstrated tuberculocidal activity.

(17) "Indirect supervision" means the supervisor is not required to be on the premises while the procedures are performed by a temporary hearing aid specialist.

(18) "Licensed" means the authority to practice pursuant to ORS 694.025, which has not been revoked or expired without renewal.

(19) "Place or places of business" means the name, mailing address, telephone number and location where the licensee deals in hearing aids.

(20) "Probation" means continuation of licensure under conditions set by the agency.

(21) "Public view" means open to view and easy for the public to see.

(22) "Purchase price" means:

(a) The total amount paid or agreed to be paid by or on behalf of the consumer includes the cost of the hearing aid(s) and related professional fees.

(b) Professional fees shall include fees charged for the actual fitting and sale of the hearing aid(s):

(A) The evaluation or measurement of the powers or range of human hearing as they relate to hearing aid fitting;

(B) Hearing aid evaluation;

(C) Hearing aid consultation;

(D) Hearing aid recommendation;

(E) Hearing aid selection;

(F) Hearing aid fitting and dispensing;

(G) Adaptation of a hearing aid, if related to the original purchase;

(H) Counseling, if related to the original purchase and done by the person dealing in hearing aids and/or company, firm or facility involved in dispensing of the original hearing aid, and any other fees for service which are charged in regards to a hearing aid being fitted as a therapeutic device;

(I) Ear impression and ear molds.

(c) Professional fees charged for diagnostic testing for medical use when done by a physician or on a physician's order shall be excluded from this definition of professional fees.

(23) "Reconditioned" means a used hearing aid that has been rebuilt or is a hearing aid that consists of both old and new parts.

(24) "Renew" means to extend a current license for a year beyond expiration or to bring an inactive license to current, active status.

(25) "Used hearing aid" means any hearing aid that has been worn for any period of time, except where the hearing aid is defined as a demonstration instrument in OAR 331-601-0000(8).

(26) "Temporary hearing aid specialist" means an individual who has applied for and received a provisional license to work under the supervision of a licensed hearing aid specialist.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 694.155 & 694.170

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 694.155 & 694.170

Hist.: HD 12, f. 4-20-72, ef. 5-1-72; HD 13-1984, f. & ef. 6-28-84, Renumbered from 333-025-0025; HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 11-1987, f. & ef. 7-28-87; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; Renumbered from 333-025-0000, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

#### 331-601-0010

##### Fees

(1) Applicants and licensees are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-010-0010 and 331-010-0020 regarding the payment of fees, penalties and charges.

(2) Fees established by the Health Licensing Office are as follows:

(a) Application: \$50;

- (b) Trainee application and registration, one-time fee: \$50;
  - (c) Initial examination, written and practical segments: \$300;
  - (d) Examination retake, written segment: \$150;
  - (e) Examination retake, practical segment: \$150;
  - (f) Examination as an Oregon licensed audiologist: \$30;
  - (g) Initial license and renewal: \$200;
  - (h) Delinquency or late renewal of license: \$10 per year in expired status;
  - (j) Temporary license: \$50;
  - (j) Replacement license: \$10
- Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.155 & 694.185  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.155 & 694.185  
 Hist.: HD 24-1985(Temp), f. & ef. 10-17-85; HD 33-1985, f. & ef. 12-13-85; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 14-1990, f. 6-1-90, cert. ef. 7-1-90; HD 17-1990(Temp), f. 6-15-90, cert. ef. 7-1-90; HD 21-1990(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 7-3-90; HD 22-1990, f. & cert. ef. 8-15-90; HD 14-1991(Temp), f. 9-30-91, cert. ef. 10-1-91; HD 21-1991, f. & cert. ef. 12-31-91; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; OHD 9-1999, f. & cert. ef. 11-15-99; OHD 10-2000, f. & cert. ef. 11-15-00; Renumbered from 333-025-0005, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 610**

**TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS**

**331-610-0000**

**Qualification Pathways**

To obtain an Oregon hearing aid specialist license, a person must provide completed application documentation prescribed by the agency pursuant to OAR 331-030-0000 and 331-620-0000, provide satisfactory evidence of meeting certification requirements, which includes qualifying criteria listed in one of the following certification pathways, and submit payment of all required fees.

(1) **TRAINEE REGISTRATION:** An applicant for trainee registration must submit a completed Training Registration Agreement, Declaration of Responsibility required by ORS 694.065(2), and complete core competencies pursuant to OAR 331-610-0010. Documentation must be submitted on agency prescribed forms.

(2) **AUDIOLOGIST:** An applicant must submit a copy of an Oregon state audiologist license, copy of American Speech and Hearing Association certification in audiology, or copy of official transcripts from an accredited training program in audiology.

(3) **OUT-OF-STATE LICENSURE:** An applicant must provide documentation, in the form of an Affidavit of Licensure, submitted directly to the agency from the originating state's regulatory office, evidencing that the applicant currently holds or held a hearing aid specialist license within three years immediately prior to the application date and that the licensee has not been subject to disciplinary action involving suspension or revocation, or no action is currently pending against the licensee, and no civil penalties are outstanding against the licensee.

(4) **QUALIFYING CREDENTIALS:** An applicant must provide documentation evidencing qualification for examination and licensure as a hearing aid specialist. Such documentation may include a copy of certification by the American Board of Otolaryngology, a physician's license showing American Board of Otolaryngology certification, or, a copy of certification from the National Board for Certification in Hearing Instrument Sciences.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.065, 694.155 & 694.170  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.065, 694.155 & 694.170  
 Hist.: HD 24-1985(Temp), f. & ef. 10-17-85; HD 33-1985, f. & ef. 12-13-85; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 14-1990, f. 6-1-90, cert. ef. 7-1-90; HD 17-1990(Temp), f. 6-15-90, cert. ef. 7-1-90; HD 21-1990(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 7-3-90; HD 22-1990, f. & cert. ef. 8-15-90; HD 14-1991(Temp), f. 9-30-91, cert. ef. 10-1-91; HD 21-1991, f. & cert. ef. 12-31-91; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; OHD 9-1999, f. & cert. ef. 11-15-99; OHD 10-2000, f. & cert. ef. 11-15-00; Renumbered from 333-025-0005(5)-(9), HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-610-0010**

**Training and/or Experience Requirements**

To be approved by the agency, a hearing aid specialist training program must include at least 62 hours of theory and 98 hours of practical experience which must include at least 30 completed procedures covering all of the requirements for audiometric testing, earmold impressions, hearing aid selection, fitting and follow up care, and infection control and cleanliness. A training program must include the following core competencies for hearing aid fitting:

- (1) Basic Knowledge — Theory Hours 15;

- (a) General principals of acoustics and hearing/speech acoustics;
- (b) Conductive and sensory-neural disorders of hearing;
- (c) The human ear: external, middle, and inner;
- (d) Applicable Oregon Revised Statutes and Oregon Administrative Rules;

- (2) Hearing aid standards — Theory Hours 15;
  - (a) American National Standards Institute;
  - (b) Food and Drug Administration;
- (3) Audiometric Testing — Theory Hours 10, Practical Hours 35;
  - (a) Basic equipment check; adequate test environment;
  - (b) Otoscope technique/client management;
  - (c) Puretone audiometry; air conduction and bone conduction and recording audiograms;

- (d) Masking: air conduction and bone conduction;
- (e) Speech reception threshold;
- (f) Most comfortable loudness level;
- (g) Uncomfortable loudness level;
- (h) Speech audiometry;
- (4) Earmold impressions — Theory Hours 5, Practical Hours 15;
  - (a) Instructions to client;
  - (b) Otoscopic inspection;

- (c) Dam placement and verification;
- (d) Impression material preparation and insertion;
- (e) Impression removal and evaluation;
- (f) Impression handling and preparation for transport;
- (5) Hearing aid selection, fitting and follow up care — Theory Hours 15, Practical Hours 45;
  - (a) Acoustic couplers;
  - (b) Hearing aid components;
  - (c) Physical characteristics of hearing aids;
  - (d) Electro-acoustic characteristics of hearing aids;
  - (e) Problem solving;
  - (f) Hearing aid modification and adaptation;
  - (g) Basic hearing aid repair;

- (6) Infection control and cleanliness — Theory Hours 2, Practical Hours 3;
  - (a) Disinfection;
  - (b) Single use disposable items;
  - (c) Hand washing.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 694.065, 694.155 & 694.170  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 694.065, 694.155 & 694.170  
 Hist.: HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; Renumbered from 333-025-0008, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-610-0020**

**Trainee Registration**

(1) A trainee, registered under ORS 694.065(1) may deal in hearing aids under the direct supervision of a designated supervisor except that a trainee may not fit or sell hearing aids.

(2) The agency will authorize an Oregon licensed hearing aid specialist to act as designated supervisor of a trainee provided the licensee holds a valid license, has been actively practicing for at least three years, and has not had any disciplinary action or civil penalty imposed by the agency.

(3) A licensed hearing aid specialist must not supervise more than four trainees at any one time.

(4) A designated supervisor will not provide training as outlined in OAR 331-610-0010 until a trainee registration agreement and Declaration Of Responsibility has been submitted to the agency.

(5) A designated supervisor must notify the agency in writing within five calendar days if the trainee is no longer being supervised and trained, and must provide a Certification of Training form to the agency showing the number of hours of training completed.

(6) A designated supervisor's authorization may be withdrawn for providing incomplete or inadequate training, falsifying documentation, or allowing the trainee to fit or sell hearing aids.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 694.155, 694.095 & 694.170  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 694.155, 694.095 & 694.170  
 Hist.: HD 13-1984, f. & ef. 6-28-84; HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; Renumbered from 333-025-0007(5)-(10), HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-610-0030****Supervision of Temporary Hearing Aid Specialists**

(1) An individual who holds a valid Oregon hearing aid specialist license who has been actively practicing for at least three years and has not had any disciplinary action or civil penalty imposed by the agency, may act as a designated supervisor for a temporary licensee. A Declaration of Responsibility form, prescribed by the agency, must be signed and filed with the agency before supervising any temporary hearing aid specialist. The form must indicate the name of the supervising hearing aid specialist, place of business, telephone number, current license number, and the name, address, and license number of the temporary hearing aid specialist.

(2) The testing, fitting, or selling of a hearing aid by a temporary hearing aid specialist shall be performed under the authority, control, and indirect supervision of the licensed hearing aid specialist designated as the supervisor. The designated supervisor must review and approve the temporary hearing aid specialist's work before ordering the recommended hearing aid(s).

(3) A designated supervisor shall exercise management, guidance, and control over the activities of the temporary hearing aid specialist; and shall exercise professional judgment and be responsible for all matters relative to the fitting and selling of a hearing aid.

(4) Approval of a temporary hearing aid specialist's work must be documented by the handwritten signature of the designated supervisor, license number, and date of review placed adjacent to the temporary hearing aid specialist's signature on any audiogram, order form, and office copy of a statement to a prospective hearing aid purchaser as required in ORS 694.036 and 694.042.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 694.095, 694.155 & 694.170

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 694.095, 694.155 & 694.170

Hist.: HD 13-1984, f. & ef. 6-28-84; HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; Renumbered from 333-025-0007, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-610-0040****Examination**

(1) After the Health Licensing Office determines training and/or licensure qualifications have been met, applicants will be notified of their eligibility to take or schedule an examination. The examination consists of a written segment covering subjects set forth in ORS 694.075(1) and (3) and a practical or demonstration of skill segments pursuant to ORS 694.075(2).

(2) The written segment of the examination may be a national examination and will include questions covering Oregon law and rules regulating hearing aids.

(3) The examination shall be closed book, prepared and conducted in English.

(4) The practical segment of the examination consists of four sections: audiometric testing, masking, taking earmold impressions, and fitting hearing aids.

(5) Sections of both the written and practical segments of the examination shall be scored separately. The passing score for each section is 70% or above.

(6) Applicants, on initial examination, shall take all sections of both segments of the examination

(7) Applicants shall be mailed notification of the date, time and place of the examination at least 15 calendar days in advance.

(8) Applicants shall be required to provide photographic identification such as a driver's license, and their original Social Security card before being allowed entrance to the examination.

(9) Applicants failing the written segment of the examination shall be given information on examination appeal and/or rescoring procedures. Applicants shall initiate any request for rescoring of the written examination with the agency within 30 calendar days from the date of the notification of the examination results.

(10) Notwithstanding subsections (1) through (9) of this rule, Oregon licensed audiologists will be required to take and pass only the Oregon laws and rules section of the written examination.

(11) Examinations are scheduled at a date and time established by the agency.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.065, 694.075, 694.155 & 694.170

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.065, 694.075, 694.155, 694.170

Hist.: HB 144, f. 6-27-60; HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 27-1990(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 12-31-90; HD 3-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 17-1994(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 6-15-94; HD 26-1994, f. 9-29-94, cert. ef. 10-1-94; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-

15-97; Renumbered from 333-025-0004(1)-(10), HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-610-0050****Examination Conduct; Disqualification**

(1) Examinations are conducted in a designated area with restricted access. Authorization must be provided by the agency before bringing any material or electronic equipment or devices into the examination. Receiving or attempting to receive assistance during the examination, including assistance from other individuals, from notes books or devices or taking unauthorized items into the examination area shall invalidate the examination and result in forfeiture of the examination and fees.

(2) Examination Disqualification: A candidate may be immediately disqualified during or after the examination for conduct that interferes with the examination. Such conduct includes:

(a) Giving or attempting to give assistance to others in answering questions during the examination;

(b) Receiving or attempting to receive assistance during the examination, including assistance from other individuals from notes, books or devices to answer questions;

(c) Removing or attempting to remove any secure examination-related information, notes, or materials from the examination site;

(d) Failing to follow directions relative to the conduct of the examination;

(e) Exhibiting behavior which impedes the normal progress of the examination; and

(f) Endangering the health or safety of a person involved in the examination.

(3) Disqualification will invalidate the examination and result in forfeiture of the examination and fees. The candidate will be required to reapply, submit additional examination fees, and request in writing to schedule another examination. Reexamination will be scheduled at a date, time and place determined by the Director following the date of disqualification.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.065 & 694.155

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.065 & 694.155

Hist.: HB 144, f. 6-27-60; HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 27-1990(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 12-31-90; HD 3-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 17-1994(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 6-15-94; HD 26-1994, f. 9-29-94, cert. ef. 10-1-94; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; Renumbered from 333-025-0004(11)-(13), HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 620****LICENSURE AND RENEWAL****331-620-0000****Application Requirements**

(1) Individuals applying for licensure to practice as a Hearing Aid Specialist must meet the requirements of OAR 331-030-0000 and 331-030-0020, in addition to the remaining requirements of this rule.

(2) Applicants must submit an application form prescribed by the agency, which shall contain information listed in OAR 331-030-0000(5), be accompanied by payment of the appropriate fees, and include documentation evidencing completion of necessary training and/or licensure, according to one of the qualification pathways listed in OAR 331-610-0000(1) through (4).

(3) Application(s) for examination must be received by the agency at least 30 calendar days before the scheduled examination date, in order to be processed and eligible for examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 694.055 & 694.155

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 694.055 & 694.155

Hist.: HB 144, f. 6-27-60; HD 13, 1984, f. & ef. 6-28-84; HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 27-1990(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 12-31-90; HD 3-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; Renumbered from 333-025-0002, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-620-0010****Temporary License**

(1) A temporary license may be issued to an applicant who meets the application requirements of ORS 694.065(2) and OAR 331-610-0000(1) and (3) following agency receipt of a completed application and evidence of training, or Affidavit of Licensure from another state, and the required fee(s).

(2) The temporary license will be issued for a one-year period, expiring on the last day of the month one year from the date of issuance.

(3) Attainment of permanent licensure status by satisfactorily passing the examination supersedes the temporary hearing aid specialist license.

(4) A temporary license holder may change their designated supervisor if a new Declaration of Responsibility form is signed by the new supervisor and submitted with the application fee to the agency within five days of separation from the former designated supervisor.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 694.095 & 694.155

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 694.095 & 694.155

Hist.: HB 144, f. 6-27-60; HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 27-1990(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 12-31-90; HD 3-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; Renumbered from 333-025-0006, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

### 331-620-0020

#### Licensure

(1) Licensees are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010 regarding the issuance and renewal of a license, and to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0020 regarding the authorization to practice, identification, and the requirements for issuance of a duplicate authorization.

(2) A license renewal application received by the agency or post-marked after a license has expired but within three years from the expiration date, may be approved upon payment of the renewal and delinquency fee for each year in expired status and attestation of having obtained required continuing education pursuant to OAR 331-630-0000.

(3) A person who fails to renew within three years following the date of expiration may be granted a reinstated license upon reapplication, payment of application, examination and license fees as applicable, and successful passage of the written and practical examination required by OAR 331-610-0040. Upon passing the examination the original license number will be reinstated and a license issued.

(4) All license holders must obtain 12 contact hours of continuing education training each year as a condition of renewal whether the license is active or inactive.

(5) Evidence of required continuing education must be provided at the time of renewal by means of a prescribed self-attestation form certifying participation in approved continuing education.

(6) Appropriate documentation required in OAR 331-630-0000 must be accumulated and held by the license holder for a period of three years following renewal, or until submitted to the agency at the time of audit within the three-year period.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.085, 694.124, 694.125 & 694.155

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.085, 694.124, 694.125 & 694.155

Hist.: HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 3-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; Renumbered from 333-025-0009, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 630

### CONTINUING EDUCATION

#### 331-630-0000

##### Continuing Education Requirements

(1) After January 1, 2005, all licensees submitting application for renewal must have completed 12 contact hours of approved continuing education during the preceding year.

**NOTE:** Licensees renewing after the effective date of these rules, but before January 1, 2005, must complete 9 contact hours of approved continuing education.

(2) A licensee must report compliance with continuing education requirements through attestation on the license renewal document. Licensees will be subject to provisions of OAR 331-630-0010 pertaining to periodic audit of continuing education.

(3) Approved continuing education includes, at the agency's discretion:

(a) Participation or attendance at an instructional program presented, recognized, or under the auspices of any institution, agency, professional organization or association, or licensees or hearing aid manufacturers and approved by the agency.

(b) Education in subject matter related specifically to hearing or hearing aid technology, related health care, or laws and rules governing hearing aid dispensing. Approved subject matter may include but not

be limited to the following: anatomy and physiology, disorders of hearing, audiology, habilitation and counseling, physics of sound, safety and sanitation, practice management, ethics, first aid, CPR, AIDS training for health care workers and ORS 694 and OAR 331, divisions 601 through 650.

(c) Education in subject matter that advances the licensee's knowledge and skills to benefit the hearing impaired public.

(d) Credit will be limited to three hours collectively per year for subjects relating to practice management, ethics, sales, first aid, CPR and AIDS training. Licensees may not receive credit for repeat of courses taken within the same continuing education reporting period.

(4) The agency will maintain a list of approved continuing education programs. The list will be available upon request to the agency.

(5) For each college "credit hour," 12 continuing education contact hours will be recognized.

(6) To receive prior approval of a continuing education program, an individual or group sponsor must submit a written request to the agency, at least 30 days prior to the first scheduled presentation. The documentation required for agency review includes:

(a) An outline of the subject matter to be covered;

(b) Method of presentation;

(c) Qualifications of person or persons presenting instruction;

(d) Estimated duration;

(e) Criteria for positive achievement, e.g., examination, attendance, participation by written or oral report; and

(f) Statement of how the program relates to a licensee's knowledge and skills and how it benefits the hearing impaired public.

(7) The agency, in consultation with the Advisory Council on Hearing Aids or a standing subcommittee of the Council, will determine if the continued education program meets criteria for approval. The agency will establish the number of hours it will recognize or accept for programs obtaining prior approval of the agency.

(8) The agency will notify the program or course sponsor in writing of its determination regarding continuing education including, as applicable, acceptable credit or contact hours and explain any denial of the program or adjustment to creditable hours.

(9) Approval of a continuing education program may be retained for a maximum of two years, at which time the sponsor will be required to resubmit the documentation listed in subsection (6) of this rule to continue agency approval of the program.

(10) The agency may withdraw approval of a continuing education program if it is determined that:

(a) The program teaching method or content has changed significantly without notice to the agency;

(b) A certificate of participation was not issued to an individual who completed the program in accordance with the standards provided to the agency; or

(c) A certificate of participation was issued to an individual who did not complete the program in accordance with the standards provided to the agency.

(11) Evidence of participation in required continuing education is the responsibility of the hearing aid specialist. Evidence of participation must include the documentation listed in OAR 331-630-0010.

(12) Hours obtained in excess of the 12 contact hours required each year will not be carried forward as continuing education credit for the succeeding reporting period.

(13) Continuing education requirements apply whether the renewal applicant is living or working within Oregon or outside of the state, if Oregon licensure is maintained.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.125 & 694.155

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.125 & 694.155

Hist.: HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 27-1990(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 12-31-90; HD 3-1991, f. 3-15-91, cert. ef. 4-1-91; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; Renumbered from 333-025-0040, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

#### 331-630-0010

##### Continuing Education: Audit, Required Documentation and Sanctions

(1) The Health Licensing Office will audit a select percentage of licensees determined by the Council to verify compliance with continuing education requirements.

(2) Licensees notified of selection for audit of continuing education attestation shall submit to the agency, within 30 calendar days

from the date of notification, satisfactory evidence of participation in required continuing education in accordance with OAR 331-630-0000.

(3) Documentation of a certificate of completion of attendance at a program or course provided by the sponsor must include:

- (a) Name of sponsoring institution/association or organization;
- (b) Title of presentation and description of content;
- (c) Name of instructor or presenter;
- (d) Date of attendance and duration in hours;
- (e) Course agenda;

(f) Official transcript, diploma, certificate, statement or affidavit from the sponsor, attesting to attendance.

(4) If documentation of continuing education is invalid or incomplete, the licensee must correct the deficiency within 30 calendar days from the date of notice. Failure to correct the deficiency within the prescribed time shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action.

(5) Misrepresentation of continuing education, or failing to meet continuing education requirements or documentation may result in disciplinary action, which may include, but is not limited to assessment of a civil fine and suspension or revocation of the license.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.125 & 694.155  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.125 & 694.155  
 Hist.: HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 640

### PRACTICE STANDARDS

#### 331-640-0000

##### Assistive Listening Devices

Assistive listening devices which are exempt from the provisions of ORS Chapter 694 are defined as products designed to solve one or more specific listening problems created by a hearing loss, and include personal or group listening devices, telephone listening devices, or alert/alarm systems. The primary difference between listening devices and hearing aids is that an assistive listening device is designed to assist in only one, or a few, listening environments, and is for temporary use only. A hearing aid is designed for use in a wide range of listening environments and is primarily for full time use. The following criteria shall be considered in categorizing an assistive listening device:

- (1) Personal Assistive Listening Device:
  - (a) Is used for the assistance of only one person;
  - (b) May be used either hardwired or wireless type;
  - (c) May be adaptable to particular environments;
  - (d) May not be fitted to an individual hearing loss;
  - (e) May not be sold as a standard hearing aid;
  - (f) May be an external option that will work with a hearing aid either through the telecoil or by direct audio input coupler built into a hearing aid.

(2) Group Assistive Listening Device:

(a) Includes infrared and FM systems and induction loop systems;

(b) Includes auditory trainers that are classified as such by the FDA exemption for group auditory trainers (21 CFR 801.421(e));

(c) May include telecaption decoders.

(3) Telephone Devices for the Hearing Impaired:

(a) Amplified handsets;

(b) In-line amplifiers for modular telephones;

(c) Receiver add-ons;

(d) An external option that will work with a hearing aid.

(4) Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf (TDD):

(a) Typically visually based;

(b) TDD and Teletypewriter for the deaf (TTY) systems.

(5) Alert/Alarm Systems:

(a) Systems that use a form of visual or vibratory stimuli to alert an individual;

(b) May be hardwired or use an acoustic pickup.

[Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 694.155

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 694.155

Hist.: HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; Renumbered from 333-025-0050, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

#### 331-640-0010

##### Safety and Infection Control Requirements

(1) Each licensee shall keep areas of their facility for otoscopic examination, earmold impression taking, and audiometric examination clean and sanitary.

(2) Impression tools, otoscopic examination equipment and other devices that come in direct contact with the client must be disinfected prior to use. Licensees shall use an EPA registered high-level disinfectant, following the manufacturer's directions, to disinfect nondisposable equipment and tools.

(3) Disposable or disinfected otoscopic specula must be used when examining each ear.

(4) Licensees must wash or sanitize hands prior to taking an earmold impression.

(5) Licensees must observe the Universal Precautions as defined in Oregon Administrative Rule 437-002-0360(25), and 29 CFR 1910.1030 standards, when providing services to consumers. Universal Precautions describe an approach to infection control that assumes exposure to all human blood and specified human body fluids are infectious for HIV, HBV, and other blood borne pathogens. Precautions to reduce the likelihood of exposure include hand washing, gloving, using personal protective equipment, preventing injury, ensuring proper handling and disposal of needles and other sharp instruments and of products or equipment contaminated with blood and body fluids.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 694.155

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 694.155

Hist.: HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; Renumbered from 333-025-0014, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLA 1-2006, f. 8-31-06, cert. ef. 9-1-06

#### 331-640-0020

##### Audiometric Testing Equipment

Licensed hearing aid specialists shall maintain audiometric testing equipment, currently used in the practice of administering evaluations, in proper working order at all times and shall be prepared to provide their record of at least annual calibration to a representative of the agency when so requested, upon inspection, or during an investigation conducted by the agency.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615 & 694.155

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615 & 694.155

Hist.: HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; Renumbered from 333-025-0027, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

#### 331-640-0030

##### Disclosure Statements to Prospective Purchaser; Delivery Information

(1) The term "purchaser" as used in ORS chapter 694 and OAR chapter 331, division 640, means any person who purchases or proposes to purchase hearing aid(s) and any person on whose behalf hearing aid(s) are purchased or proposed to be purchased. In the case of a client who is a minor child or other person without legal capacity to contract, the person's parent, legal guardian, or legal representative is the "purchaser."

(2) To assist prospective purchasers in making an informed decision regarding the sale of hearing aid(s), licensees must provide prospective purchasers with complete and accurate disclosure of facts regarding licensee services, the hearing aid(s) purchase price, delivery and consummation of sale defined in OAR 331-601-0000, and information about the purchaser's right to rescind or cancel a sale and the procedures for rescinding the sale and returning the hearing aid(s) according to the provisions of ORS 694.042.

(3) The *Statement to Prospective Purchaser (Statement)* is a contract prepared and signed by the licensee and agreed to by the purchaser. This Statement contains required information listed in ORS 694.036 regarding licensee and purchaser information, medical observation criteria and referral to physician if medical conditions are present, specifications and conditions of the hearing aid(s), terms of any warranty or expressed guarantee, and how to file a complaint with the agency.

(4) Licensees are required to provide all information and facts specified in this rule before the consummation of the sale, which is the delivery of the hearing aid(s) to the purchaser and the date that starts the 30-day rescission period.

(5) Statement Content. In addition to the information prescribed by ORS 694.036, the Statement must include the following information and facts about the purchase of hearing aid(s):

(a) Date of sale;

(b) Purchaser name, address and signature;

(c) Licensee name, address, telephone number, license number and signature;

(d) The purchase price, which includes the cost of the hearing aid(s) and all related fees;

(e) An accurate description of the hearing aid as new, demonstration instrument, reconditioned, or used;

(f) Delivery date of hearing aid(s);

(g) Date the 30-day rescission period ends;

(h) The portion of the total purchase price that will be retained by the licensee, not to exceed 10% of the contract purchase amount or \$250 per hearing aid, whichever amount is less, if the purchaser rescinds the sale under provisions of ORS 694.042 within the 30-day rescission period;

(i) Date and place of post-delivery follow-up session agreed upon by the licensee and hearing aid user as stated in subsection (9) of this rule;

(j) A printed or reproduced copy of ORS 694.042 *Right to Rescind A Hearing Aid Purchase* in its entirety, which includes the procedures for returning the hearing aid(s) to the licensee;

(k) The following statement, initialed by the purchaser: "Copies of my audiogram and the results of tests or verification procedures were offered to me by the licensee, and I hereby acknowledge receipt of the records or that I declined the offer.";

(l) The following statement about filing complaints: "Complaints regarding the sale, lease, or attempted sale or lease of hearing aids should be directed in writing to: Oregon Health Licensing Agency, 700 Summer Street NE, Suite 320, Salem, OR 97301-1287. Complaint forms may be obtained by calling 503-378-8667 or at the Agency's Web site: [http://www.oregon.gov/OHLA/Consumer\\_help\\_complaint.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/OHLA/Consumer_help_complaint.shtml)"; and

(m) A statement acknowledging that the purchaser has read and understands the information contained in the *Statement*, signed by the purchaser and dated;

(6) Statement Format. The Statement must be printed on forms measuring no less than 8 1/2 inches wide by 11 inches long, with a minimum 10-point typeset, and be legibly written.

(7) Licensees must provide the purchaser a new Statement for each hearing aid or set of hearing aids, unless the hearing aid(s) is an exact replacement of the device listed in a previous Statement provided to the purchaser.

(8) Refund. Any monies paid by or on behalf of the purchaser toward the hearing aid must be refunded to the payer if the delivery of the hearing aid to the purchaser is cancelled. The purchaser shall incur no additional liability for the cancellation.

(9) Post Delivery Follow-Up.

(a) Licensees will conduct and document a minimum of one post-delivery follow-up session with the hearing aid user before the expiration of the 30-day rescission period. The follow-up session will take place at the original place of the sale or at a predetermined location agreed upon at the time of initial delivery, or at a time and place agreed to within the 30-day rescission period.

(b) The licensee must document in the hearing aid user record any change to the agreed-upon location or date of the post-delivery follow-up session, and, if the licensee is unable to contact or the hearing aid user or to provide the follow-up session, the reason(s) why.

(10) In Home Sales. Sales of hearing aids made at the purchaser's residence and not at the licensee's place of business, require disclosure of federal guidelines related to "in home sales" and the purchaser's right to cancel the transaction and receive a full refund of monies paid to the licensee. The following federal disclosure statement must be completed and affixed to the *Statement to Prospective Purchaser* when a licensee sells a hearing aid(s) at the purchaser's home.

[ED. NOTE: Statemen referenced are available from the agency.]  
Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.036, 694.042, 694.155 & 694.170  
Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.036, 694.042, 694.155, 694.170  
Hist.: HD 8-1986, f. & ef. 5-29-86; HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94 ; Renumbered from 333-025-0065, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLA 1-2006, f. 8-31-06, cert. ef. 9-1-06

**331-640-0040  
Additional Conditions for Referral**

(1) In addition to the conditions listed in ORS 694.142 a hearing aid specialist shall not fit or dispense a hearing aid for use without first

determining if the following conditions exist and, if so, referring the prospective purchaser to a physician:

(a) Evidence of significant cerumen accumulation in the auditory canal preventing visual inspection of the external auditory canal or external auditory meatus and tympanic membrane or foreign body in the ear canal; or

(b) Pain or discomfort in the ear.

(2) A Waiver of Medical Opinion form as required by ORS 694.142(6) must include the hearing aid specialist's name and license number, the purchaser's name, address and signature with date as well as the following statement: "I do not desire to have a medical evaluation before purchasing a hearing aid."

Stat. Auth.: ORS 694.142, 694.155 & 694.170  
Stats. Implemented: ORS 694.142, 694.155 & 694.170  
Hist.: HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94;  
Renumbered from 333-025-0029, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-640-0050  
Additional Standards of Conduct**

(1) Licensees must comply with the requirements of ORS 694.142, and all other applicable statutes and rules.

(2) Licensees must conform to state or federal laws regulating retail contracts or to any affirmation of fact or promise made by the licensee which relates to the hearing aid or fitting and dispensing services and which becomes a part of the basis of the transaction when the purchaser relies on it or is, in part, induced into making purchase by it.

(3) Licensees must not make inaccurate or misleading representations or statements as to the efficacy of a hearing aid(s) for improving hearing.

(4) Licensees may not use a title or abbreviation that is misleading or may convey that the licensee holds a credential that is not related to hearing instrument sciences, without designating the professional field for which the credential was issued. Hearing instrument sciences includes, but is not limited to, core competencies identified in ORS 694.075.

(5) The Council recognizes and adopts the revised International Hearing Society's Code of Ethics, adopted October 1983 and revised October 1996, October 1998, and May 2003, as its professional standards model. A copy of the document is on file at the agency for review, and may be accessed at the following Web site: [http://ihsinfo.org/IhsV2/Resources/020\\_Code\\_Of\\_Ethics.cfm](http://ihsinfo.org/IhsV2/Resources/020_Code_Of_Ethics.cfm)

(6) During the hearing test or evaluation for fitting a client with a hearing aid(s), the following items must be completed. If the case history and tests were completed within the previous six months and there has been no substantial change in the client's hearing, the following tests may be performed at the discretion of the licensee:

(a) Confidential client case history;

(b) Puretone Air Conduction Threshold testing (should include at a minimum, the following frequencies — 250, 500, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, and 6000 or 8000 Hz);

(c) Puretone Bone Conduction Threshold testing (should include at a minimum, the following frequencies — 500, 1000, 2000, and 4000 Hz);

(d) Speech Recognition Threshold testing (SRT);

(e) Word Recognition Score (WRS) also known as speech discrimination testing;

(f) Most Comfortable Listening Level (MCL); and

(g) Uncomfortable Listening Level (UCL).

(7) For children who are unable to perform the tests listed in subsection (6) of this rule, an objective measure that meets prevailing professional standards can be used to assess auditory function. The test must be completed by a licensed audiologist or physician.

(8) Licensees must perform one or more of the following verification procedures, within the 30-day rescission period.

(a) Soundfield testing for speech discrimination;

(b) Soundfield testing for puretone thresholds;

(c) Real-ear probe microphone measurements;

(d) Speech mapping; and

(e) Other industry accepted objective measures.

(9) Licensees must post the following statement in public view on the business premises or provide the purchaser with a written notice stating: "Individuals are entitled to a copy of the audiogram used to conduct hearing evaluations and any test results." If copies of the audiogram specified in OAR 331-640-0055, or results of tests or

verification procedures conducted under subsections (6) and (8) of this rule are requested, they must be provided to the purchaser.

(10) Licensees who are unable to complete testing for reasons such as a client's medical condition or inability to perform tests or verification procedures are excused from compliance with the relevant parts of subsections (6) and (8) but must document the reasons in the client's record.

(11) Tests listed in subsection (8) of this rule will be used to determine the fitted hearing aid(s) ability to meet current industry standards in reference to ORS 694.042(1)(c), during investigation of complaints filed with the agency.

(12) Licensees must maintain a record of the technical specifications issued by a manufacturer for the hearing aid(s) that have been delivered to or purchased by their clients. The specifications must be available for inspection by the agency's representatives upon request.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.155 & 694.170  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 694.155 & 694.170  
 Hist. Hist.: HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; Renumbered from 333-025-0012, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLA 1-2006, f. 8-31-06, cert. ef. 9-1-06

**331-640-0055**

**Uniform Measurement Standards**

(1) As of December 1, 2006, the Council recognizes and adopts the following uniform set of hearing loss measurement standards required for use when interpreting audiograms using 0 – 110 for degrees of decibel hearing loss (dB HL) and 125 – 8000 Hz for frequency. This set of uniform measurement standards must be used for advising consumers on peripheral or cochlear hearing loss: [Table not included. See ED. NOTE.]

(2) Hearing loss may have a greater effect on children than adults. The degree of hearing loss does not necessarily reflect the degree of impairment.

(3) Audiologists licensed under ORS 681, and physicians licensed under ORS 677, may use prevailing professional measurement standards when counseling consumers or purchasers on the effect of hearing loss, in conformance with their training, professional license, code of ethics and practice standards.

[ED. NOTE: Tables referenced are available from the agency.]  
 Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 694.036, 694.042, 694.1142, 694.155 & 694.170  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.607, 676.615  
 Hist.: HLA 1-2006, f. 8-31-06, cert. ef. 9-1-06

**331-640-0060**

**Client Record Requirements**

For the purpose of clarifying record keeping requirements, the term "client" as used in this rule, means the individual who is a consumer, purchaser, potential purchaser or hearing-aid wearer.

(1) Required Records. Licensees must record, update and maintain documentation for each client relevant to health history, clinical examinations and treatment, and financial data. Documentation shall be written or computerized. Records must include the following information:

(a) Basic client information, including name, address, telephone number and dates of service;

(b) Health history relevant to hearing evaluation or fitting of a hearing aid(s), including referral to a physician or a *Waiver of Medical Opinion* form required by ORS 694.142(6);

(c) Identification of any conditions that would require referral to a physician licensed under ORS Chapter 677, as required in ORS 694.142(1) and OAR 331-640-0040, and a notation that the client was referred;

(d) Audiograms as specified in OAR 331-640-0055 and results of tests or verification procedures as specified in OAR 331-640-0050;

(e) A copy of the *Statement to Prospective Purchaser* required by ORS 694.036 and OAR 331-640-0030, including client's signature and date acknowledging that the client has read and understands the information contained in the purchase agreement;

(f) A copy of the Right to Rescind a Hearing Aid Purchase giving notice of rights under ORS 694.042; and

(g) Date and description of services rendered in the form of "chart notes", including any complications. Chart notes must include the recorder's initials, license number and professional title if multiple practitioners provide service to the client.

(2) Record Format. Records and documentation must be accurate, complete, and legible, typed or recorded using ink. Legible hand-written or electronic records are acceptable.

(3) Record Identifiers. Client records listed in subsection (1) of the rule must include the licensee's name, license number, professional title or abbreviation, and signature or initials somewhere on the documentation as a means of identifying the person who is providing service to the client. This information may be affixed to the record(s) in the form of a professional stamp or handwritten entry.

(4) Record Retention. All client records and documentation, written or archived electronically by computer, must be stored and maintained for a minimum of seven years after the licensee has last seen the client or past the age of minority, so that the records are safeguarded, readily retrievable, and available for inspection by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency's representative.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 694.036, 694.042, 694.1142, 694.155 & 694.170  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.607, 676.615  
 Hist.: HLA 1-2006, f. 8-31-06, cert. ef. 9-1-06

**DIVISION 650**

**DISCIPLINE**

**331-650-0000**

**Investigative Authority**

The Health Licensing Office may initiate and conduct investigations of matters relating to the practice of hearing aid dispensing, pursuant to ORS 676.608 and 676.618, and may take appropriate disciplinary action in accordance with the provisions of ORS 676.612 and 694.147.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.608, 676.618, 694.147 & 694.155  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.608, 676.618, 694.147 & 694.155  
 Hist. HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-650-0010**

**Schedule of Civil Penalties for Violations of Laws and Rules**

The agency has adopted the following presumptive penalty schedule for the violations of the following laws and rules. The following schedule shall apply except as the agency otherwise determines in consideration of the factors referred to in OAR 331-020-0060. For subsequent offenses, the provisions of OAR 331-020-0060 will apply.

(1) Dealing in or purporting to deal in hearing aids with an expired license is a violation of ORS 694.025 and OAR 331-030-0010(4) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$200;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$500;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including probation, suspension, revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(2) Dealing in or purporting to deal in hearing aids without a license, with a license issued to another person, or a suspended license is a violation of ORS 694.025 and/or 676.612(1)(d) or 676.612(4) and OAR 331-030-0020(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$1,000;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(3) Failing as a licensee to inform the agency within 30-calendar days of a change of information is a violation of OAR 331-010-0040(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$50;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$100;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$150.

(4) Dealing in hearing aids by a trainee when not under the direct supervision of a supervisor is a violation of ORS 694.025 and 694.065(2) and OAR 331-610-0020(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$150;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$300;
- (c) For 3rd offense: \$500.

(5) Failing, as a supervisor, to provide direct supervision of a trainee dealing in hearing aids is a violation of ORS 694.065(2), OAR 331-610-0020(1) and (6) and shall incur the following penalties:

- (a) For 1st offense: \$500;
- (b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000 and suspension of the authorization to provide supervisory training;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including probation, suspension, revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(6) Failing, as a supervisor, to exercise management, guidance, and control over the activities of the temporary hearing aid specialist is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(j) and OAR 331-610-0030(3) shall incur the following penalties:

(a) For 1st offense: \$500;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000 and suspension of the authorization to provide supervisory training;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including probation, suspension, revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(7) Failing, as a supervisor, to evaluate and approve all matters involved in the testing, fitting, or in the sale of a hearing aid by a temporary hearing aid specialist before ordering the recommended hearing aid(s) is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(j) and OAR 331-610-0030(2) and/or (4) and shall incur the following penalties:

(a) For 1st offense: \$500;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000 and suspension of the authorization to provide supervisory training;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including probation, suspension, revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(8) Failing, as a supervisor of a temporary hearing aid specialist, to co-sign and approve the audiogram, order form and office copy of statement, or failing to mail or provide a copy of the statement to the prospective hearing aid purchaser as required in ORS 694.036 and 694.042 is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(j) and OAR 331-610-0030(4) and shall incur the following penalties:

(a) For 1st offense: \$300;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000 and suspension of the authorization to provide supervisory training;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including probation, suspension, revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(9) Failing to meet continuing education requirements pursuant to OAR 331-630-0000(1), or to provide or retain required documentation is a violation of OAR 331-630-0000(11) and/or 331-630-0010(2) and shall incur the following:

(a) For 1st offense: \$500 and suspension or revocation of license;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000 and suspension or revocation of license;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(10) Failure to correct continuing education deficiencies within prescribed time frames is a violation of OAR 331-630-0010(4) and shall incur the following penalties:

(a) For 1st offense: \$500 and suspension or revocation of license;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000 and suspension or revocation of license;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(11) Disqualification from an examination as a result of conduct is a violation of OAR 331-610-0050(2) and shall incur the following penalties: \$1,000, disqualification from reexamination as determined by the agency director and revocation of temporary hearing aid specialists license

(12) Failing to keep the facility clean and sanitary is a violation of OAR 331-640-0010(1) and shall incur the following penalties:

(a) For 1st offense: \$100;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$300;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

(13) Failing to disinfect devices after direct contact with client's skin is a violation of OAR 331-640-0010(2) and shall incur the following penalties:

(a) For 1st offense: \$100;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$300;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

(14) Failing to wash or sanitize hands before taking an ear mold impression is a violation of OAR 331-640-0010(4) and shall incur the following penalties:

(a) For 1st offense: \$100;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$300;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

(15) Failing to calibrate or provide proof of calibration on audiometric testing equipment is a violation of OAR 331-640-0020 and shall incur the following penalties:

(a) For 1st offense: \$100;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$300;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

(16) Failing to provide a client with a properly formatted Statement to Prospective Purchaser is a violation of ORS 694.036(1) and OAR 331-640-0030(1) and shall incur the following penalties per violation:

(a) For 1st offense: \$300;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$500;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

(17) Failing to obtain a signed medical waiver is a violation of ORS 694.142(6) and OAR 331-640-0040(2) and shall incur the following penalties per violation:

(a) For 1st offense: \$300;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$500;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000.

(18) Failing to respond timely to an agency request for information regarding a complaint is a violation of OAR 331-020-0050 and shall incur the following penalties per violation:

(a) For 1st offense: \$300;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$500;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$1,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including probation, suspension, revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(19) Failing to comply with the additional standards of conduct is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(j) and OAR 331-640-0050(1), (2), (3) and/or (4) and shall incur the following penalties per violation:

(a) For 1st offense: \$500;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including probation, suspension, revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(20) Failing or refusing to rescind the sale of a hearing aid is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(j) and (2), 694.042(4), and 694.147(2)(a) and shall incur a civil penalty established on a case-by-case basis.

(21) Failing to meet professional standards in dealing in hearing aids in violation of ORS 676.612(1)(j), 694.147(2)(c) or OAR 331-640-0050(3) and shall incur the following penalties per violation:

(a) For 1st offense: \$500;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including probation, suspension, revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(22) Fraud or misrepresentation in the practice of dealing in hearing aids is a violation of ORS 676.612, 694.147(2) or OAR 331-640-0050(3) and shall incur the following penalties per violation:

(a) For 1st offense: \$500;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including probation, suspension, revocation or refusal to issue a license.

(23) Unprofessional conduct is a violation of ORS 676.612(1)(j), 694.147(2)(c) or OAR 331-640-0050(3) and shall incur the following penalties per violation:

(a) For 1st offense: \$500;

(b) For 2nd offense: \$1,000;

(c) For 3rd offense: \$5,000 in addition to any other penalties allowed by law including probation, suspension, revocation or refusal to issue a license.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.615, 676.992 & 694.147

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.615, 676.992 & 694.147

Hist.: HD 8-1990, f. 4-4-90, cert. ef. 4-5-90; HD 23-1993, f. 12-30-93, cert. ef. 1-1-94; HD 18-1997, f. 12-12-97, cert. ef. 12-15-97; Renumbered from 333-025-0075, HLO 6-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 705

RESPIRATORY THERAPIST LICENSING BOARD  
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

## 331-705-0050

## Definitions

The following definitions apply to OAR 331-705-0000 through 331-720-0020:

(1) "Active license" means a license issued when all requirements are met, fees paid and license is not expired, suspended or revoked.

(2) "Affidavit of Licensure" means an original document verifying licensing history and status, issued and signed by the licensing authority in the state which issued the license with an official seal or stamp affixed to the document; it is not the certificate or license form issued which authorizes the holder to practice.

(3) "Agency" means the Health Licensing Office. The agency is responsible for the budget, personnel, performance-based outcomes, consumer protection, fee collection, mediation, complaint resolution, discipline, rulemaking and record keeping.

(4) "Board" means, pursuant to ORS 688.820, the entity that advises the agency on matters relating to the practice of respiratory care, and determines practice standards, education and training and provides consultation to the agency on all disciplinary issues in accordance with ORS 688.830.

(5) "Contact hours" means academic classroom or course work hours including but not limited to workshops, symposiums, seminars, or laboratory exercises. Contact time does not include personal travel time to or from the training site, registration or check-in periods, breaks or lunchtime granted during attendance at any continuing education seminar or course.

(6) "CRT" applies to a person who has satisfactorily completed the Certified Respiratory Therapist examination issued by the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC).

(7) "Director" means the individual who is responsible for the performance of the agency as defined in ORS 676.610. The director appoints all subordinate officers and employees to carry out the duties of the agency.

(8) "Expired" means a license which has not been renewed.

(9) "Health Licensing Office" means the agency.

(10) "Inactive license" means a license which has been expired less than two years from the expiration date; requires certificate of continuing education and payment of fees for reinstatement.

(11) "Lapsed license" means a license, which has been expired more than two years from the expiration date; requires proof of continuing education, or satisfactory retake of entry-level examination by National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) and payment of fees for reinstatement.

(12) "NBRC" means the National Board for Respiratory Care, which provides credentialing and examination services for the respiratory care profession.

(13) "Official transcript" means an original document certified by the school indicating hours and types of course work, examinations and scores that the student has completed, which has been submitted through mail by the school or by courier from the school to the agency in a sealed envelope.

(14) "Practitioner" means any person whom the Board has licensed to practice respiratory care.

(15) "RRT" applies to a person who has satisfactorily completed the Registered Respiratory Therapist examination issued by the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC).

(16) "Standard precautions" means a set of guidelines and controls, published by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), which outline certain practices which health workers must employ in order to prevent parenteral, mucous-membrane, and no intact skin exposure to blood-borne pathogens. The method of infection control requires the employer and employee to assume that all human blood and specified human body fluids are infectious for HIV, HBV, and other blood borne pathogens. Precautions include hand washing, gloving, personal protective equipment, injury prevention, proper handling and disposal of needles and other sharp instruments and blood and body fluid contaminated products.

(17) "Supervision" requires the presence of a licensed Respiratory Care Practitioner or qualified Medical Director within the work

location at the same time as the applicant working under a "temporary license."

(18) "Temporary License" is a license issued for a period of six months, which is not renewable, authorizing an applicant for licensure to practice respiratory therapy under supervision pending passage of the qualifying examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830

Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HDLP 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-15-98; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## 331-705-0060

## Fees

(1) Applicants and licensees are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-010-0010 and 331-010-0020 regarding the payment of fees, penalties and charges.

(2) Fees established by the Health Licensing Office are as follows:

(a) Application: \$50;

(b) Original license: \$75 for one-year initial cycle;

(c) Renewal of license: \$75 for one-year renewal cycle;

(d) Temporary license (six month, non-renewable): \$50;

(e) Delinquency or late renewal of license: \$50;

(f) Restoration of license: \$100;

(g) Replacement of license including name change: \$25;

(h) Duplicate license: \$25.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 688.830(9)

Stats. Implemented: ORS 688.830(9)

Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HDLP 1-1998(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 3-20-98 thru 4-1-98; HDLP 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-15-98; HDLP 2-2002, f. 12-20-02 cert. ef. 1-1-03; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## DIVISION 710

RESPIRATORY THERAPIST LICENSING BOARD  
APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE

## 331-710-0000

## Training

Training, or formal education, required for licensure is a planned sequence of instruction of specific content, pursuant to ORS 688.815(1)(c), structured to meet stated curriculum objectives which includes evaluation of attainment of those objectives, and offered by a post-secondary educational institution accredited by the *Committee On Accreditation For Respiratory Care*, or its successors, or recognized by the *National Board for Respiratory Care*.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 688.815 & 688.830

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 688.815 & 688.830

Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HDLP 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-15-98; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## 331-710-0010

## Application Requirements

(1) Individuals applying for licensure to practice respiratory care must meet the requirements of OAR 331-030-0000 in addition to the provisions of this rule.

(2) Applicants must submit an application form prescribed by the Agency, which shall contain the information listed in OAR 331-030-0000, payment of the application and license fees, and one of the following criteria:

(a) NATIONAL CREDENTIAL: Official documentation of a passing score, successfully completed within one year preceding the date of application, of the Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT) examination or Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) examination mailed by the National Board for Respiratory Care to the agency. Copies of examination results or other documentation provided by the applicant are not acceptable. The applicant is responsible for payment of fees assessed by NBRC in obtaining required official documentation.

(b) OUT OF STATE LICENSURE: Official documentation in the form of an *Affidavit of Licensure*, submitted directly to the agency from the originating state's regulatory office, evidencing that the applicant currently holds a respiratory therapist license and that the licensee has not been subject to disciplinary action involving suspension or revocation, and no action or civil penalties are currently pending against the licensee. The Affidavit must indicate whether the applicant satisfactorily passed the NBRC examination or a state prepared exam-

ination that has been approved by the Board as being equivalent to the national examination.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 688.815 & 688.830  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 688.815 & 688.830  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HDLP 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-15-98; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 10-2004(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 11-8-04 thru 3-31-05; HLO 1-2005, f. 2-28-05 cert. ef. 3-1-05

**331-710-0020**

**Application for Temporary Licensure; Expiration; Changes in Employment Status**

(1) Application for temporary licensure may be made by persons who have completed training and wish to begin supervised practice pending passage of the qualifying examination.

(2) Individuals applying for temporary licensure must meet the requirements of OAR 331-030-0000 in addition to the provisions of this rule.

(3) Applicants must submit an application form prescribed by the agency, which shall contain the information listed in OAR 331-030-0000(5) and be accompanied by payment of the application and temporary license fees. The completed application must include official transcripts from a college or university in respiratory care. A notarized Certificate of Completion issued by the college or university may be submitted to the agency following completion of schooling until the official transcript is available to facilitate temporary licensure. The official transcript must be received by the agency to complete the application requirements.

(4) The temporary applicant shall submit the following items within 30 days of application, or, if application precedes employment, within 30 days of hire:

- (a) Employer's name, address and telephone number; and
- (b) Name and credentials of supervisor.

(5) A temporary license shall be issued when all requirements have been met, and shall expire the last day of the month six months from the date of issuance. Temporary licenses are not renewable.

(6) Temporary licensees shall notify the agency within 30 calendar days of changes in employment status.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 688.815 & 688.830  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 688.815 & 688.830  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HDLP 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-15-98; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-710-0030**

**Examination**

(1) The Board has selected the CRT or RRT examination administered by the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) as its minimal qualifying examination for licensure. Individual applicants are responsible for payment of all NBRC application, examination, national certification or other fees directly to NBRC.

(2) Applicants who meet the educational requirements and achieve a passing score on the examination must request that certification of the passing score be sent from the National Board for Respiratory Care to the agency as a prerequisite to application.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HDLP 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-15-98; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**DIVISION 715**

**RESPIRATORY THERAPIST LICENSING BOARD  
 LICENSURE; RENEWAL; PRACTICE STANDARDS**

**331-715-0000**

**Licensure**

(1) Pursuant to ORS 688.805(1) a person shall not practice respiratory care or claim to be a respiratory care practitioner, including that a person shall not display a sign or in any way advertise or purport to be a license holder or to be engaged in the practice of respiratory care without first obtaining a license under ORS 688.815.

(2) Licensees are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0010 regarding the issuance and renewal of a license, and to the provisions of OAR 331-030-0020 regarding the authorization to practice, identification, and requirements for issuance of a duplicate authorization.

(3) Every respiratory care practitioner licensed by the agency shall be licensed under the applicant's legal name and shall function as a respiratory care practitioner under that name.

(4) When a name is changed, the following must be submitted so that the agency's records may reflect the new name:

- (a) A signed change of name notification;
- (b) A copy of the legal document showing the name change;
- (c) Return of the license form issued and payment of replacement fee.

(5) Practitioners who work in more than one facility may carry the license identification card (pocket card) with them, or post in plain view, when working at more than one place of business.

(6) Licensees shall not render respiratory care without written authorization or standing orders from a supervising physician who has been approved by the Board of Medical Examiners in accordance with ORS 682.245.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HDLP 1-1998(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 3-20-98 thru 4-1-98; HDLP 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-15-98; HDLP 2-2001, f. & cert. ef. 5-1-01; HDLP 3-2001, f. 6-29-01, cert. ef. 7-1-01; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

**331-715-0010**

**License Renewal**

(1) A license renewal application received by the agency or post-marked after a license has expired but within one year from the expiration date, may be approved upon payment of the renewal and delinquency fees and required verification of continuing education pursuant to OAR 331-720-0010.

(2) A license which has been expired for more than one year, but less than two years may be renewed upon payment of the license renewal and restoration fees and submission of required continuing education documentation pursuant to OAR 331-720-0010.

(3) A license which has been expired two or more years may be reinstated by payment of application and renewal fees, and submission of continuing education documentation pursuant to OAR 331-720-0010 or proof of NBRC retake of entry level examination completed within one year prior to the date of reapplication.

(4) Failure to meet continuing education requirements of OAR 331-720-0010, will require reapplication and qualification for licensure according to the provisions of OAR 331-710-0010(2)(a) or (b).

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
 Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HDLP 1-1998(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 3-20-98 thru 4-1-98; HDLP 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-15-98; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 10-2004(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 11-8-04 thru 3-31-05; HLO 1-2005, f. 2-28-05 cert. ef. 3-1-05

**331-715-0030**

**Professional Standards**

(1) Respiratory care practitioners must comply with the prevailing community standards for professional conduct. The Board recognizes and adopts the American Association of Respiratory Care (AARC) Statement of Ethics and Professional Conduct effective December 1994 and Role Model Statement for Respiratory Care Practitioners effective March 1990 as its professional standards model. A copy of these documents are on file at the agency for review.

(2) At minimum, practitioners shall be subject to directives and policies established by the medical facilities, businesses or agencies by which they are employed or regulated.

(3) Respiratory care practitioners shall observe the Standard Precautions adopted by the Centers for Disease Control as defined in Oregon Administrative Rule 437 division 2, Subdivision Z, and OAR 331-705-0050(16) when providing services to patients.

(4) Practitioners shall not work under the influence of alcohol or any drugs, including prescription medications, which may impair performance, and shall seek professional assistance through a diversion program if necessary to achieve and maintain freedom from substance abuse.

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 Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
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## DIVISION 720

RESPIRATORY THERAPIST LICENSING BOARD  
CONTINUING EDUCATION

## 331-720-0000

## Continued Competency

(1) To ensure continuing efforts on the part of Oregon licensed respiratory care practitioners to remain current with new developments in the respiratory therapy and health care field and to encourage diversified training and qualifications in the profession continuing education is required as a condition of licensure.

(2) Continuing Education requirements apply whether the renewal applicant is living or working within Oregon or outside of the state so long as Oregon licensure is maintained.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HDLP 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-15-98; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04

## 331-720-0010

## Continuing Education Requirements

(1) Each respiratory care practitioner is required to complete 15 hours of Board approved continuing education every two years, whether the license is active or inactive. At least two-thirds of the required continuing education hours shall be related to clinical practice of respiratory care.

(2) To renew the license, evidence of required continuing education shall be provided at the time of renewal by means of a prescribed self-attestation statement certifying participation in approved continuing education. To ensure that adequate proof of attainment of required continuing education is available for audit or investigation by the Health Licensing Office, licensees shall maintain a record of attendance for two years following the two-year continuing education cycle and renewal of the respiratory care therapist license.

(3) Continuing education is acceptable if provided by:

(a) A medical organization or association accredited by the Oregon Medical Association, the Oregon Osteopathic Association, the American Medical Association Continuing Medical Education, the American Osteopathic Association, the American Nurses Association, the American Association for Respiratory Care, and its affiliates, to provide continuing education to physicians, nurses, or respiratory care practitioners;

(b) A hospital not accredited to provide continuing education but the continuing education provided meets the following requirements:

(A) The content of the course or program shall be relevant to the scope of practice of respiratory care as defined in ORS 688.800(4);

(B) The faculty shall be knowledgeable in the subject matter as evidenced by a degree from an accredited college or university and verifiable experience in the subject matter or teaching and clinical experience in the same or similar subject matter;

(C) Educational objectives shall be listed;

(D) The teaching methods shall be described, e.g., lecture, seminar, audiovisual, simulation;

(E) Evaluation methods shall document that the objectives have been met.

(c) An institution of higher education accredited by the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools or its successor, or the State Board of Higher Education, providing the course(s) meet the requirements of paragraph (a) of this subsection. Five hours of continuing education credit per course, and up to two-thirds of the continuing education requirement, can be obtained by successfully completing the course(s) with a grade "C" or above, or a "pass" for a pass/fail course;

(d) A respiratory care educational program accredited by the American Medical Association Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation in collaboration with the Committee On Accreditation for Respiratory Care, or its successor, or the Commission on Accreditation for Allied Health Education Programs offering an Associate Degree in Respiratory Care;

(e) The NBRC through passing the examination for initial certification as a Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT), or Perinatal/Pediatric Respiratory Care Specialist (PPRCS), or the NBRC through passing the re-credentialing examination for a Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT), RRT, or PPRCS. Fifteen hours of continuing

education can be obtained by passing these certification and re-credentialing examinations;

(f) The NBRC through passing the examination for initial certification as a Certified Pulmonary Function Technician (CPFT), or Registered Pulmonary function Technician (RFPT). Seven and one-half hours of continuing education can be obtained by passing these certification examinations;

(g) Publication in a peer reviewed journal as the author or co-author of a clinical paper or abstract. A total of five credit hours will be accepted per biennium for the publication of articles or abstracts in professional journals;

(h) An established and approved organization conducting humanitarian activities in another state or country, that is providing respiratory care services as defined in ORS 688.800(6) under its auspices. The organization and services are subject to board approval on a case-by-case basis for continuing education credit.

(4) To ensure adequate proof of continuing education course completion is available for audit or investigation by the Health Licensing Office, practitioners shall maintain a record of attendance for two years following renewal;

(5) Respiratory care practitioners who instruct continuing education courses may obtain the same number of continuing education hours for each initial course taught during the biennium, in which the course is initially presented, as granted to course participants.

(6) Practitioners shall be awarded continuing education credit once for completion of the initial certification course for Cardiac Life Support (ACLS), Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) courses, and Neonatal Resuscitation Program (NRP). Up to four hours of continuing education credit may be obtained for each re-certification in ACLS, PALS, or NRP courses.

(7) Continuing education credit will not be granted for completion of the Basic Life Support (BLS) course.

(8) A person who does not meet continuing education requirements must reapply and meet requirements for licensure according to OAR 331-710-0010 at the time of application.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615 & 688.830  
Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-15-98; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04; HLO 10-2004(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 11-8-04 thru 3-31-05; HLO 1-2005, f. 2-28-05 cert. ef. 3-1-05

## 331-720-0020

## Continuing Education: Audit, Required Documentation and Sanctions

(1) The Health Licensing Office will audit a select percentage of licenses determined by the Board to verify compliance with continuing education requirements.

(2) Licensees notified of selection for audit of continuing education attestation shall submit to the agency, within 30 calendar days from the date of issuance of the notification, satisfactory evidence of participation in required continuing education in accordance with OAR 331-720-0010.

(3) Documentation of attendance at a program or course provided by the sponsor must include:

- (a) Name of sponsoring institution/association or organization;
- (b) Title of presentation and description of content;
- (c) Name of instructor or presenter;
- (d) Date of attendance and duration in hours;
- (e) Course agenda;
- (f) Official transcript, diploma, statement or affidavit from the sponsor, attesting to attendance.

(4) If documentation of continuing education is invalid or incomplete, the licensee must correct the deficiency within 30 calendar days from the date of notice. Failure to correct the deficiency within the prescribed time shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action.

(5) Misrepresentation of continuing education, or failing to meet continuing education requirements or documentation, may result in disciplinary action, which may include, but is not limited to, assessment of a civil penalty and suspension or revocation of the license.

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**DIVISION 725**

**RESPIRATORY THERAPIST LICENSING BOARD  
COMPLAINT PROCESSING AND RESOLUTION**

**331-725-0020**

**Investigatory Authority**

The Health Licensing Office may initiate and conduct investigations of matters relating to the practice of respiratory care, pursuant to ORS 676.608, and may take appropriate disciplinary action in accordance with the provisions of ORS 676.612 and 688.836.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 688.830 & 688.836

Stats. Implemented: ORS 676.605, 676.615, 688.830 & 688.836

Hist.: HDLB 1-1997(Temp), f. 12-19-97, cert. ef. 12-22-97 thru 6-19-98; HLO 4-2004, f. 6-29-04, cert. ef. 7-1-04