

RULES
OF
COMPOSITE STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

CHAPTER 360-13
RESPIRATORY CARE PROFESSIONALS, TECHNICIANS AND THERAPISTS

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(1) Certificates expire on June 30th of even numbered years until renewal for the 2006-2008 biennium. Beginning on July 1, 2006, applicants will be issued a certificate that will be set to expire between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2007. The certificate will expire on the last day of the month in which the applicant's birthday falls. Thereafter, each succeeding certificate must be renewed by the last day of the month in which the applicant's birthday falls and each certificate will then be renewed for a period of two (2) years. The application fee will be prorated for those whose certificates are renewed for less than a two-year period during the 2006-2008 biennium.

(2) Approximately 60 days prior to the expiration date, the Board may, as a courtesy, mail a notice for renewal of certificate to the certificate holder's last address on file in the Board's records.

(3) Failure to receive such notification shall not relieve the certificate holder of the obligation to renew the certificate and pay the required fee prior to the expiration date of the certificate. Deposit of the renewal fee by the Board does not indicate acceptance of the renewal application or that any licensing requirements have been fulfilled.

(4) To be eligible for renewal and recertification, a certificate holder must answer questions on their biennial renewal form, which establish satisfaction of Board approved continuing education requirements. The Board shall not renew the certificates of applicants who failed to comply with Board approved continuing education requirements.

(5) To be eligible for renewal and recertification, a certificate holder must also furnish satisfactory evidence that he or she continues to work under the supervision of a physician who meets the requirements of Rule 360-13-.01(d). This evidence must be furnished on a form prescribed by the Board. The Board shall not renew the certificates of applicants who are not working under the supervision of a physician who meets the requirements of Rule 360-13-.01(d).

(6) Failure to renew a certificate by the designated expiration date shall result in a penalty for late renewal as required by the Board. Certificates that are not renewed within

3 months of expiration shall be revoked for failure to renew and may be reinstated only as provided in Rule 360-13-.09.

(7) A certificate holder with an expired certificate shall not engage in the practice of respiratory care or to represent himself or herself as a certified respiratory care professional until such time as the Board has approved his or her application for renewal or reinstatement.

Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-19(l), 43-34-143, 43-34-145, 43-34-147, 43-34-150.