

REVIEW OF THE AGENCY'S ACTION HAS EXPIRED WITHOUT BEING EXTENDED BY A REVIEWING COURT. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, TIMELY APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL IS NO LESS THAN TWO CALENDAR WEEKS PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE LICENSE BEING REVIEWED.

(C) AN AGENCY OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE MAY NOT REVOKE, SUSPEND, ANNUL, OR WITHDRAW ANY LICENSE PRIOR TO GIVING THE LICENSEE WRITTEN NOTICE OF FACTS WHICH WARRANT SUCH ACTION AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD; EXCEPT THAT UPON A FINDING THAT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE IMPERATIVELY REQUIRES EMERGENCY ACTION, AN AGENCY OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE MAY, BY MEANS OF A WRITTEN ORDER WHICH SETS FORTH THAT FINDING AND THE REASONS THEREFOR, SUMMARILY SUSPEND A LICENSE PENDING PROMPT NOTICE AND A HEARING ON THE SUSPENSION.

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[In any contested case, all parties shall be afforded an opportunity for hearing after reasonable notice. The notice shall state the time, place and issues involved, but if, by reason of the nature of the proceeding, the issues cannot be fully stated in advance of the hearing, or if subsequent amendment of the issues is necessary, they shall be fully stated as soon as practicable, and opportunity shall be afforded all parties to present evidence and argument with respect thereto. The agency shall prepare an official record, which shall include testimony and exhibits, in each contested case, but it shall not be necessary to transcribe shorthand notes unless requested for purposes of rehearing or court review. Informal disposition may also be made of any contested case by stipulation, agreed settlement, consent order, or default. Each agency shall adopt appropriate rules of procedure for notice and hearing in contested cases.]

(A) IN A CONTESTED CASE, ALL PARTIES SHALL BE AFFORDED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING AFTER REASONABLE NOTICE. PUBLICATION IN THE MARYLAND REGISTER PURSUANT TO SECTION 256P OF THIS ARTICLE MAY NOT CONSTITUTE REASONABLE NOTICE TO A PARTY.

(B) THE NOTICE SHALL INCLUDE:

(1) A STATEMENT OF THE TIME, PLACE, AND NATURE OF THE HEARING;

(2) A STATEMENT OF THE LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION UNDER WHICH THE HEARING IS TO BE HELD;

(3) A REFERENCE TO THE PARTICULAR SECTIONS OF THE STATUTES AND RULES, INCLUDING RULES OF PROCEDURE, INVOLVED; AND

(4) A SHORT AND PLAIN SIMPLE STATEMENT OF THE MATTERS ASSERTED. IF THE AGENCY OR OTHER PARTY IS UNABLE TO STATE THE MATTERS IN DETAIL AT THE TIME THE NOTICE IS SERVED, THE INITIAL NOTICE MAY BE LIMITED TO A STATEMENT OF