

(2) PAYS TO THE BOARD THE RENEWAL FEE SET BY THE BOARD; AND

(3) SUBMITS TO THE BOARD:

(I) A RENEWAL APPLICATION ON THE FORM THAT THE BOARD REQUIRES; AND

(II) SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS SET UNDER THIS SUBTITLE FOR LICENSE RENEWAL.

(D) ISSUANCE OF RENEWAL.

THE BOARD SHALL RENEW THE LICENSE OF AND ISSUE A RENEWAL CERTIFICATE TO EACH LICENSEE WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

(E) GRACE PERIOD.

IF AN OPTOMETRIST DOES NOT RENEW A LICENSE BEFORE ITS EXPIRATION DATE, THE BOARD SHALL SEND TO THE OPTOMETRIST A NOTICE STATING THAT THE LICENSE WILL EXPIRE 30 DAYS AFTER THE NOTICE IS SENT UNLESS THE OPTOMETRIST APPLIES FOR RENEWAL WITHIN THE GRACE PERIOD.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from Art. 43, § 375(a), (b), and the first sentence of (c).

Subsection (b) of this section -- which provides for renewal notice -- is new language added to conform to current Board practice and to similar provisions governing other health occupations in present Art. 43. See, e.g., Art. 43, § 634(c), as to psychologists, and Art. 43, § 868(d), as to social workers.

In subsection (e) of this section, the provision in the first sentence of present Art. 43, § 375(c) that provides for a license to "be revoked" on lapse of the grace period is deleted as unnecessary. Under this section, if a licensee fails to renew a license, it "expires" automatically as of the end of the current license term plus the grace period.

10-309. CONTINUING EDUCATION.

(A) IN GENERAL.

IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS AS A CONDITION TO THE RENEWAL OF LICENSES UNDER THIS TITLE.