

21 NCAC 22F .0303 CERTIFICATE EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL

- (a) The initial apprentice registration certificate, and any subsequently issued replacement certificates issued within the first year of apprenticeship, shall expire after the apprentice has held a valid certificate for a total of 365 days.
- (b) Within 14 days after the expiration of the initial apprentice registration certification, in order to continue performing duties within the scope of practice for a Hearing Aid Specialist under a Registered Sponsor's supervision, the apprentice shall renew the apprentice registration certificate by submitting an application for licensure and exam registration as set forth in 21 NCAC 22A .0503(a)(2) to take the next scheduled licensing exam.
- (c) Within 20 days after the date on the Official Notice of Examination Results, if an apprentice who renewed by following Paragraph (b) of this Rule failed to pass all parts of the Board's licensing exam, then in order to continue performing duties within the scope of practice for a Hearing Aid Specialist under a Registered Sponsor's supervision, the apprentice shall renew the apprentice registration certificate by doing the following:
- (1) submitting a complete apprentice registration electronic application consisting of:
 - (A) F1 form;
 - (B) F1 affidavit;
 - (C) audiometer calibration;
 - (D) passport style photograph;
 - (E) background check; and
 - (F) the renewal of apprentice registration fee as set forth in 21 NCAC 22A .0501(2); and
 - (2) submitting an application for licensure and exam registration as set forth in 21 NCAC 22A .0503(a)(2) to take the next scheduled licensing exam.
- (d) Any subsequent renewal of an apprentice registration certificate after Paragraph (b) or (c) of this Rule by an apprentice who failed to pass all parts of the Board's licensing exam shall be done by following Paragraph (c) of this Rule.
- (e) An apprentice registration certificate obtained by renewal in accordance with Paragraph (b), (c), or (d) of this Rule shall expire 30 days after the date on the latest Official Notice of Examination Results for the apprentice.
- (f) A sponsor who no longer wishes to supervise an apprentice shall submit written notice to the Board that the apprenticeship is being terminated at the current expiration date of the certificate.

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