Renewing your Radiography Supervisor and Operator Permit

Effective November 28, 2001, licentiates with a Radiography Supervisor and Operator Permit must earn 10 continuing education credits every 2 years to renew the Permit. For 2003 renewal, this requirement was prorated to 5 hours. The pertinent portions of the Department of Health Services regulations are reproduced below.

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Division 1. State Department of Health Services
Chapter 5. Sanitation (Environmental)
Subchapter 4.5. Radiologic Technology

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§30400.5. Approved Continuing Education Credit.

"Approved continuing education credit" means one hour of instruction received in subjects related to the application of X-ray to the human body and accepted for purposes of credentialing, assigning professional status or certification by the:

(a) American Registry of Radiologic Technologists;

(b) Medical Board of California;

(c) Osteopathic Medical Board of California;

(d) California Board of Chiropractic Examiners;

(e) Board of Podiatric Medicine; or

(f) Board of Dental Examiners.

§30400.85. Radiography

"Radiography" means the recording of static images on any suitable medium by passing X-rays through portions of the human body, and includes one or more of the following:

(a) Positioning the patient.

(b) Selecting exposure factors.

(c) Exposing the patient and the recording medium to X-rays.
§30403. Requirements for Continuing Education and Performance of Mammographic Examinations.

(a) Each individual certified or permitted pursuant to sections 30440, 30444, and/or 30451 shall, in the two years immediately preceding the expiration date of the certificate or permit, earn 24 approved continuing education credits, except that each individual who is certified pursuant to sections 30440(a) and 30455.1 shall meet the requirements of subsection (c).

(b) Each individual certified or permitted pursuant to 30466 and 30467 shall, in the two years immediately preceding the expiration date of the certificate or permit, earn 10 approved continuing education credits.

(c) Each individual certified pursuant to 30440(a) and 30455.1 shall, in the two years immediately preceding the expiration date of the certificate or permit:

1. Earn 24 approved continuing education credits, 10 of which shall be in mammography; and

2. Perform at least 200 mammographic examinations.

(d) The two-year period referred to in subsections (a), (b) and (c) and section 30403.5 shall begin on the expiration date of the certificate or permit:

1. In the year 2001 for individuals with a certificate or permit that ends in an odd number; and

2. In the year 2002 for individuals with a certificate or permit that ends in an even number.

§30403.5. Renewal Procedures.

Each individual seeking renewal of a certificate or permit issued pursuant to this subchapter shall:

(a) At least 30 calendar days prior to the expiration date on the certificate or permit, submit to the Department a complete application for renewal consisting of the applicant's name, mailing address, telephone number, and certificate or permit type and number.

(b) Every two years, submit to the Department the following information for each approved continuing education credit as required by 30403 subsections (a), (b) and (c)(1):

1. The identity of the group listed section 30400.5 that has accepted the instruction;

2. The provider of the instruction;

3. The title, if any, of the instruction;

4. The date(s) of the instruction; and

5. The location of the instruction;

(c) Submit to the Department an attestation every two years of having completed mammographic examinations as required pursuant section 30403 subsection (c)(2); and

(d) Pay the fee as required section 30408.
§30403.8. Recordkeeping Requirement.

Each individual certified or permitted pursuant to this subchapter shall maintain the document(s) that evidence the individual having earned approved continuing education credits and/or completing mammographic examinations for five years following the dates the credits were earned and/or the mammographic examinations were completed. Such document(s) shall be made available to the Department upon request.

§30404. Display.

(a) Any radiologic technologist who holds a certificate pursuant to Section 30440 or a fluoroscopy permit pursuant to Section 30451 shall prominently display such certificate or permit, or a copy thereof, at each place where the technologist performs activities which require a radiologic technologist certificate or permit.

(b) Any limited permittee who holds a permit pursuant to Section 30444 shall prominently display such permit, or a copy thereof, at each place where the limited permittee performs functions which require a limited permit.

(c) Any licentiate who holds a certificate or permit pursuant to Sections 30466 or 30467 shall prominently display such certificate or permit, or a copy thereof, at each place of practice where the licentiate performs activities which require a licentiate certificate or permit.

§30406. Change of Name and Address.

Each individual certified or permitted pursuant to this subchapter shall report to the Department any change of name or mailing address within 30 calendar days of the change.

§30408. Fees.

(a) For any certificate or permit issued pursuant to this subchapter in accordance with the Radiologic Technology Act (Health and Safety Code section 27(f)), the application fee shall be $85.00 for licentiates and $75.00 for technologists and limited permittees. If required to pass an examination to obtain the certificate or permit, the examination fee shall be $75.00 for each examination administered by the Department or as specified by the entities or organizations designated by the Department to administer Department-approved examinations.

(b) The fee for repeating an examination failed within the previous 12 months shall be $75.00 per examination.

(c) Each individual applying to renew a certificate or permit shall pay an annual renewal fee of $35.00. The renewal fee shall be collected biennially and such fee shall be twice the annual renewal fee.

(d) The fee for a duplicate certificate or permit shall be $1.09.

(e) The penalty fee for renewal of any expired certificate or permit shall be $5.44 and shall be in addition to the fee for renewal.

(f) Failure to pay the annual fee for renewal on or before the expiration date of the certificate or permit shall automatically suspend the certificate or permit. If the annual renewal fee is not paid within six months following such date, the certificate or permit shall be revoked. A certificate or permit revoked for nonpayment of the renewal fee may be reinstated within five years from the time of revocation upon payment of the penalty fee specified in subsection (e) plus twice the annual renewal fee specified in subsection (c). If the application for reinstatement is not made within five years from the date of suspension of the certificate or permit, the certificate or permit shall be canceled and shall not be subject to reinstatement.
§30461. Licentiate Permits.

The permit categories for licentiates of the healing arts are:

(a) Fluoroscopy supervisor and operator.

(b) Radiography supervisor and operator.

(c) Dermatology supervisor and operator.

§30464. Radiography Permits.

A radiography supervisor and operator permit issued by the Department shall be required of any licentiate of the healing arts who does one or more of the following:

(a) Actuates or energizes radiography X-ray equipment.

(b) Supervises one or more persons who hold radiologic technologist certificates pursuant to Section 30440(a).

(c) Supervises one or more persons who hold limited permits pursuant to Section 30444.

§30466. Issuance of Licentiate Certificates or Permits.

To obtain a licentiate certificate or any licentiate permit an applicant shall have on file with the Department an application as described in Section 30468, and in addition:

(a) For obtaining a fluoroscopy supervisor and operator permit, shall pass a Department approved examination in fluoroscopy radiation protection and safety, and use and supervision of use of fluoroscopy and ancillary equipment.

(b) For obtaining a radiography supervisor and operator permit, shall pass a Department approved examination in radiography radiation protection and safety, and use and supervision of use of radiography and ancillary equipment.

(c) For obtaining a dermatology supervisor and operator permit, shall pass a Department approved examination in dermatology radiation protection and safety, and application and supervision of application of X-rays for treating diseases and tumors of the skin.

(d) For obtaining a radiology supervisor and operator certificate, shall pass examinations specified in subsections (a) and (b) of this section, unless qualified for a certificate pursuant to Section 30467.

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