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Department 157 RULES OF GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LICENSED DIETITIANS

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ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY

The **Administrative History** following each Rule gives the date on which the Rule was originally filed and its effective date, as well as the date on which any amendment or repeal was filed and its effective date. Principal abbreviations used in the Administrative History are as follows:

f. - filed

eff. - effective

R. - Rule (Abbreviated only at the beginning of the control number)

Ch. - Chapter (Abbreviated only at the beginning of the control number)

ER. - Emergency Rule

Rev. - Revised

Note: Emergency Rules are listed in each Rule's Administrative History by Emergency Rule number, date filed and effective date. The Emergency Rule will be in effect for 120 days or until the effective date of a permanent Rule covering the same subject matter superseding this Emergency Rule is adopted, as specified by the Agency.

Emergency Rules Chapters 157-1-0.1, 157-2-0.2, and 157-3-0.3 adopted. Filed October 3, 1985; effective September 26, 1985, the date of adoption, to be in effect for 120 days or until the effective date of permanent Rules covering the same subject matter superseding these Emergency Rules are adopted, as specified by the Agency. These Emergency Rules Chapters

were adopted to create the new Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians. (These Emergency Rules will not be published; copies may be obtained from the Agency.)

Chapters 157-1 entitled "Organization of Board", 157-2 entitled "Licensure Requirements", 157-3 entitled "Fees", superseding Emergency Rules Chapters 157-1-0.1, 157-2-0.2, 157-3-0.3 have been adopted. Filed December 12, 1985; effective January 1, 1986.

Rules 157-2-.03 and 157-3-.01 have been amended. Filed April 9, 1986; effective April 29, 1986.

Rule 157-2-.02 has been amended. Chapters 157-4 entitled "Licensure Without Exam" and 157-6 entitled "Ethics of Dietitians" have been adopted. Filed June 26, 1987; effective July 16, 1987.

Rules 157-2-.01, .02 have been amended. Filed December 30, 1987; effective January 19, 1988.

Rules 157-2-.01 to .03 have been repealed and new Rules adopted. Rule 157-2-.04 has been adopted. Chapter 157-5 entitled "Continuing Education Requirements" adopted. Filed April 7, 1988; effective April 27, 1988.

Rule 157-4-.01 has been amended. Filed September 5, 1989; effective September 25, 1989.

Rule 157-5-.01 has been repealed and a new Rule adopted. Filed October 17, 1989; effective November 6, 1989.

Rule 157-2-.01 has been amended. Rule 157-4-.01 has been repealed and a new Rule adopted. Filed June 26, 1991; effective July 16, 1991.

Rule 157-2-.01 has been amended. Filed January 13, 1992; effective February 2, 1992.

Rule 157-5-.01 has been repealed and a new Rule adopted. Filed May 20, 1992; effective June 9, 1992.

Rules 157-2-.01, .03, .04, 157-4-.01 have been amended. Rule 157-5-.01 has been repealed and a new Rule adopted. Filed June 2, 1993; effective June 22, 1993.

Rule 157-2-.01 has been amended. Filed June 3, 1994; effective June 23, 1994.

Emergency Rule 157-4-0.4-.02 adopted. Filed August 10, 1994; effective July 28, 1994, the date of adoption, to be in effect for 120 days or until the effective date of a permanent Rule covering the same subject matter superseding this Emergency Rule is adopted, as specified by the Agency. (This Emergency Rule will not be published; copies may be obtained from the Agency.)

Rule 157-4-.02 has been adopted superseding Emergency Rule 157-4-0.4-.02. Filed February 13, 1995; effective March 5, 1995.

Rules 157-2-.04 and 157-5-.01 have been amended. Rule 157-4-.02 has been repealed. Filed June 21, 1996; effective July 11, 1996.

Rule 157-2-.04 has been amended. Filed August 29, 1997; effective September 18, 1997.

Chapter 157-7 entitled "Provisional Permit" has been adopted. Filed April 23, 1998; effective May 13, 1998.

Chapters 157-1 to 157-7 have been repealed and new Chapters adopted. Filed April 1, 2002; effective April 21, 2002.

Rule 157-2-.04(1) has been amended. Filed June 22, 2004; effective July 12, 2004.

Rule 157-2-.05 has been repealed and a new rule adopted. Chapter 157-6 has been repealed and a new Chapter adopted. Filed December 3, 2004; effective December 23, 2004.

Rules 157-5-.02 and .03 have been amended. Filed June 15, 2005; effective July 5, 2005.

Rule 157-2-.04 has been repealed and a new Rule adopted. Filed December 13, 2005; effective January 2, 2006.

Rules 157-6-.01 and .02 have been repealed and new Rules adopted. Filed May 1, 2008; effective May 21, 2008.

Rules 157-2-.01 and 157-4-.03 amended. F. Feb. 24, 2012; eff. Mar. 15, 2012.

Rule 157-2-.04 amended. F. Aug. 06, 2013; eff. Aug. 26, 2013.

Rules 157-2-.04 and 157-4-.02 amended. Rule 157-4-.03 repealed. F. Mar. 21, 2016; eff. Apr. 10, 2016.

Rule 157-4-.01 amended. F. Feb. 8, 2017; eff. Feb. 28, 2017.

Rules 157-2-.02, 157-2-.05, 157-5-.01, 157-5-.03, 157-7-.02, 157-7-.03 amended. Rule 157-2-.03 repealed. F. Aug. 28, 2017; eff. Sept. 17, 2017.

Rule 157-4-.01 amended. Rule 157-4-.02 repealed. F. Mar. 5, 2018; eff. Mar. 25, 2018.

Rules 157-2-.04, 157-6-.02 amended. F. July 7, 2022; eff. July 27, 2022.

Rules 157-5-.01, .02, .03 amended. F. Feb. 1, 2024; eff. Feb. 21, 2024.

Rule 157-2-.03 adopted. F. May 20, 2024; eff. June 9, 2024.

Rule 157-2-.04 amended. F. Aug. 2, 2024; eff. Aug. 22, 2024.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. dept. 157, ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY

Chapter 157-1. ORGANIZATION OF BOARD.

Rule 157-1-.01. Officers, Meetings.

The Board shall elect a chairman, vice-chairman and cognizant member at the annual meeting held during the first quarter of the fiscal year. The vice-chairman shall preside at meetings in the absence of the chairman. The chairman shall call all meetings except that, four members may call a meeting, provided all members are adequately notified. The chair shall appoint a cognizant member in the event the cognizant member is unable to serve.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-1-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-11A-6, 43-11A-7.
History. Original Rule entitled "Officers, Meetings" adopted as ER. 157-1-0.1-.01. F. Oct. 3, 1985; eff. Sept. 26, 1985, the date of adoption.
Amended: Permanent Rule of same title adopted. F. Dec. 12, 1985; eff. Jan. 1, 1986.
Repealed: New Rule of same title adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.

Rule 157-1-.02. Division Director, Records.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 43-1-3 the Division Director shall:

(a) keep all records relating to the Professional Licensing Boards Division;

(b) receive all applications for licenses;

(c) with the consent of the Board, schedule the time and place for examination;

(d) schedule the time and place for hearings;

(e) issue certificates upon authority of the Board;

(f) collect all fees;

(g) sign and attest all orders and processes of the Professional Licensing Boards Division.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-1-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-3, 43-1-25, 43-11A-3, 43-11A-7.
History. Original Rule entitled "Joint Secretary, Records" adopted as ER. 157-1-0.1-.02. F. Oct. 3, 1985; eff. Sept. 26, 1985, the date of adoption.
Amended: Permanent Rule of same title adopted. F. Dec. 12, 1985; eff. Jan. 1, 1986.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Division Director, Records" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.

Chapter 157-2. LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS.

Rule 157-2-.01. Definitions.

(1) For purposes of O.C.G.A. 43-11A-9(1) a major course of study shall mean:

(a) A program granted accreditation or approval by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetic Education (CADE) of the American Dietetic Association (ADA); or

(b) Upper division courses in human nutrition, food and nutrition, dietetics, food systems management, nutrition education or a combination thereof determined by the Board to be greater than or substantially equal to a Commission on Accreditation for Dietetic Education (CADE) accredited or approved program. The earned degree does not need to be in these areas.

(2) For purposes of O.C.G.A. 43-11A-9,"Supervise d Experience" component of dietetic practice shall consist of 900 hours of supervised practice/experience under the supervision of a state licensed practitioner or a registered dietitian. The acceptable routes of obtaining this experience include:

(a) A program formerly or currently approved or accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetic Education (CADE) of the American Dietetic Association (ADA):

1. Dietetic Internship (DI);

2. Coordinated Program (CP);

3. Approved Preprofessional Practice Program (AP4).

(b) A program formerly approved by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetic Education (CADE) of the American Dietetic Association (ADA):

1. Six (6) months/900 hours experience;

2. Three (3) years preplanned with B.S. degree.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-2-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-9.
History. Original Rule entitled "Application for Licensure" adopted as ER. 157-2-0.2-.01. F. Oct. 3, 1985; eff. Sept. 26, 1985, the date of adoption.
Amended: Permanent Rule of same title adopted. F. Dec. 12, 1985; eff. Jan. 1, 1986.
Amended: F. Dec. 30, 1987; eff. Jan. 19, 1988.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Definitions" adopted. F. Apr. 7, 1988; eff. Apr. 27, 1988.
Amended: F. June 26, 1991; eff. July 16, 1991.
Amended: F. Jan. 13, 1992; eff. Feb. 2, 1992.
Amended: F. June 2, 1993; eff. June 22, 1993.
Amended: F. June 3, 1994; eff. June 23, 1994.

Repealed: New Rule of same title adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
Amended: F. Feb. 24, 2012; eff. Mar. 15, 2012.

Rule 157-2-.02. Applications for Licensure.

(1) An applicant for licensure shall submit to the Board:

(a) The completed application form provided by the Board, available on the website www.sos.ga.gov/plb/diet.

(b) All applicants must submit a Secure and Verifiable document and an Affidavit of Citizenship, as defined in Code Section O.C.G.A. §§ 50-36-1 and 50-36-2.

(c) The required fee (see fee schedule).

(d) The Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials, as it may deem necessary.

(2) Exam applicants must submit:

(a) All applicants for licensure are required to have successfully passed an examination approved by the Board.

(b) All applicants for licensure except as provided in Board rule 157-4 shall submit to the Board an official education transcript with school seal affixed and showing degree(s) earned, area of major study and date of graduation.

(c) All applicants who have obtained their education outside of the United States and its territories must have their academic degree(s) validated by an approved credentialing agency as equivalent to the baccalaureate or master's degree conferred by a regionally accredited college or university in the United States.

(d) The Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials as it may deem necessary.

(3) Applications for Military Spouses and Transitioning Service Members

(a) As used in this rule, the following terms shall mean:

1. "Military" means the United States armed forces, including the National Guard.

2. "Military spouse" means a spouse of a service member or transitioning service member.

3. "Service member" means an active or reserve member of the armed forces, including the National Guard.

4. "Transitioning service member" means a member of the military on active duty status or on separation leave who is within 24 months of retirement or 12 months of separation.

(b) Effective July 1, 2017, military spouses and transitioning service members may qualify for expedited processing of the license application for any license or permit issued by the Board by showing that the applicant is a military spouse or transitioning service member and that the applicant has paid the fee and meets the requirements for a license or permit under the laws and rules for the type of license for which the applicant has applied.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-2-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-34, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-10, 43-11A-13.
History. Original Rule entitled "Examination and Re-examination" adopted. F. Dec. 12, 1985; eff. Jan. 1, 1986.
Amended: F. June 26, 1987; eff. July 16, 1987.
Amended: F. Dec. 30, 1987; eff. Jan. 19, 1988.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Application for Licensure" adopted. F. Apr. 7, 1988; eff. Apr. 27, 1988.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Applications for Licensure" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
Amended: F. Aug. 28, 2017; eff. Sept. 17, 2017.

Rule 157-2-.03. Volunteers in Dietetics.

(1) The Board shall issue a volunteer license to dietitians who:

(a) Submit an application for a special volunteer license to the Board; or

(b) Hold a current, unrestricted license in good standing to practice dietetics in any licensing jurisdiction of the United States; or if the applicant is retired from the practice of dietetics and not currently engaged in such practice either full time or part time and has, prior to retirement, maintained full, unrestricted licensure in good standing in any licensing jurisdiction of the United States.

(2) The volunteer licensee shall be permitted to practice dietetics only in the noncompensated employ of public agencies or institutions, not for profit agencies, not for profit institutions, nonprofit corporations, or not for profit associations which provide health care specialty services only to indigent patients in areas which are underserved by that specialty or critical need population areas of the state, as determined by the Board, or pursuant to Article 8 of Chapter 8 of Title 31.

(3) The person applying for the volunteer license under this Code section shall submit to the Board a copy of his or her health care specialty degree, a copy of his or her health care

specialty license in his or her current or previous licensing and regulating jurisdiction, and a notarized statement from the employing agency, institution, corporation, association, or health care program on a form prescribed by that board, whereby he or she agrees unequivocally not to receive compensation for any health care specialty services he or she may render while in possession of the special license.

(4) Any applicant for a volunteer license who has not been actively engaged in the direct observation and treatment of patients within the five (5) years immediately preceding the date of application may, at the Board's discretion, be required to pass an examination administered by the Board or a testing agency designated and approved by the Board.

(5) If the Board determines that an applicant has demonstrated an inability to practice dietetics with reasonable skill and safety to the public, and reasonable grounds exist to inquire into an applicant's mental and physical capacity, the applicant may be asked to submit a statement from a physician attesting to the applicant's physical and mental capacity.

(6) If the applicant is not in compliance with the continuing education requirements established by the Board at the time application is made for the volunteer license, the applicant shall be issued a nonrenewable temporary license to practice for six months provided the applicant is otherwise qualified for such license. During the period of time the licensee maintains such license, the licensee must comply with the continuing education requirements established by the Board.

(7) There shall be no application or licensing fee for initial issuance of a volunteer license.

(8) Volunteer licenses shall expire at the close of March 31st in all even-numbered years. Fees for license renewal shall be assessed as shown on the schedule of fees adopted by the Board.

(9) Any other provisions of Chapter 30, Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated not inconsistent with the intent and purpose of the Georgia Volunteers in Health Care Specialties Act, O.C.G.A. 43-1-28, shall be fully applicable to all licensed dietitians.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-2-.03
Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-4, 43-1-7, 43-1-19, 43-1-25, 43-1-28, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-15.
History. Original Rule entitled "Renewal of License" adopted. F. Dec. 12, 1985; eff. Jan. 1, 1986.
Amended: F. Apr. 9, 1986; eff. Apr. 29, 1986.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Examination and Re-examination" adopted. F. Apr. 7, 1988; eff. Apr. 27, 1988.
Amended: F. June 2, 1993; eff. June 22, 1993.
Repealed: New Rule of same title adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
Repealed: F. Aug. 28, 2017; eff. Sept. 17, 2017.
Adopted: New Rule entitled "Volunteers in Dietetics." F. May 20, 2024; eff. June 9, 2024.

Rule 157-2-.04. Renewal of License and Penalties, and Reinstatement. Amended.

(1) Renewal of License and Fees.

(a) A license issued by the Board shall expire on March 31st of even numbered years. The license may be renewed upon payment of the renewal fee and completion of the online renewal application or a paper renewal form (contact the Board office to request one mailed to you) provided all requirements have been met.

(b) Any licensee who fails to apply for renewal by March 31st of each even numbered year may renew the license on or before April 30th of the same even numbered year by the payment of the current renewal fee plus an additional late penalty fee. See fee schedule. You must submit your verification(s) of the required continuing education hours obtained for that renewal. Practicing on or after May 1st of each even numbered year with an expired license is prohibited by law and practice during this period may result in disciplinary action for unlicensed practice.

(c) Each licensee applying for renewal must satisfactorily complete any continuing professional education requirements established by Board rule 157-5-.01.

(d) The Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials, as it may deem necessary.

(e) The failure to renew a license by April 30th following the March 31st even numbered renewal year expiration date shall cause the license to be administratively revoked and subject to reinstatement at the discretion of the board.

(2) Reinstatement of License.

(a) A license that is no longer active may be reinstated by the licensee upon meeting the following conditions set by the board:

1. To reinstate a license that has been lapsed for less than 2 years from the effective date of the lapse, the applicant must:

(i) submit an application for reinstatement, with the required fee.

(ii) submit proof of obtainment of the thirty (30) hours of Continuing Professional Education hours obtained within two (2) years prior to the date the application for reinstatement is received in the Board office.

(iii) provide proof of current registration with the Commission on Dietetic Registration.

(iv) provide verification of licensure from each state official or regulatory entity issuing the license, for each state currently or previously licensed in, indicating the license status and whether it is

current and in good standing or not. If the license is not in good standing, the verification must indicate any sanctions or other disciplinary actions ever taken against the license.

(v) the Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials, as it may deem necessary.

2. To reinstate a license that has been lapsed for 2 or more years from the effective date of the lapse, the applicant must:

(i) submit an application for reinstatement with the required fee.

(ii) submit proof of obtainment of thirty (30) hours of Continuing Professional Education hours obtained within two (2) years prior to the date the application for reinstatement is received in the Board office.

(iii) provide proof of current registration with the Commission on Dietetic Registration.

(iv) provide verification of licensure from each state official or regulatory entity issuing the license, for each state currently or previously licensed in, indicating the license status and whether it is current and in good standing or not. If the license is not in good standing, the verification must indicate any sanctions or other disciplinary actions ever taken against the license.

(v) the Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials, as it may deem necessary.

(vi) submit two (2) letters of professional reference, one must be from a person who is currently registered and in good standing with the Commission on Dietetic Registration and the other from a current or former supervisor.

(b) To reinstate a license that has been placed in Inactive license status:

1. The holder of an active license may request to place the license on inactive status by submitting a written request to the board no later than April 30th following the March 31st even numbered renewal year expiration date.

2. The holder of an inactive license that continues to practice is subject to disciplinary action for unlicensed practice.

3. An inactive license may be reinstated by application for Reinstatement as provided in Rule 157-2-.04(1) or (2) above.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-2-.04
Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-4, 43-1-7, 43-1-25, 43-11A-7(2), 43-11A-14.
History. Original Rule entitled "Renewal of License and Penalties, Reinstatement, Requirements for Inactive Status" adopted. F. Apr. 7, 1988; eff. Apr. 27, 1988.
Amended: F. June 2, 1993; eff. June 22, 1993.
Amended: F. June 21, 1996; eff. July 11, 1996.
Amended: F. Aug. 29, 1997; eff. Sept. 18, 1997.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Renewal of License and Penalties, and Reinstatement" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
Amended: F. June 22, 2004; eff. July 12, 2004.
Repealed: New Rule of same title adopted. F. Dec. 13, 2005; eff. Jan. 2, 2006.
Amended: Title changed to "Renewal of License and Penalties, and Reinstatement. Amended." F. Aug. 6, 2013; eff. Aug. 26, 2013.
Amended: F. Mar. 21, 2016; eff. Apr. 10, 2016.
Amended: F. Aug. 2, 2024; eff. Aug. 22, 2024.

Rule 157-2-.05. Fines and Penalties; Name and Address Changes.

(1) Upon finding that a violation has occurred, in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-11A-15 and 43-1-19, the Board has the authority to sanction any license issued, deny a license, or refuse to renew a license.

(2) The Board may impose any or all of the following:

(a) Public or Private Reprimand;

(b) Letter of Concern;

(c) Imposition of Fine(s);

(d) Period of Probation.

(3) With respect to unlicensed practice, the board may consider each day as a separate violation.

(4) Mitigating circumstances may be taken into account in varying the sanctions subject to the Board's discretion. Mitigating circumstances shall not include failure to notify the board of an address change or failure to receive a renewal application.

(5) Name Change. A name change request shall be accompanied by a copy of the marriage certificate, court order, or other documentation of a legal name change.

(6) Change of Address. It is the duty of each licensee to maintain with the Board a current mailing address, physical address, telephone number and e-mail address. Licensees may update this information online or submit changes to the Board's administrative staff to update their record.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-2-.05
Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-14.
History. Original Rule entitled "Fines and Penalties" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Fines and Penalties; Name and Address Changes" adopted. F. Dec. 3, 2004; eff. Dec. 23, 2004.
Amended: F. Aug. 28, 2017; eff. Sept. 17, 2017.

Chapter 157-3. FEES.

Rule 157-3-.01. Application Fees.

Fees are charged for the following:

(a) Registration;

(b) Examination;

(c) Re-examination;

(d) Endorsement;

(e) Biennial renewal;

(f) Late renewal;

(g) Reinstatement;

(h) Any additional fee the Board deems appropriate.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-3-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-3, 43-1-7, 43-1-25, 43-11A-7.
History. Original Rule entitled "Fees" adopted as ER. 157-3-0.3-.01. F. Oct. 3, 1985; eff. Sept. 26, 1985, the date of adoption.
Amended: Permanent Rule of same title adopted. F. Dec. 12, 1985; eff. Jan. 1, 1985.
Amended: F. Apr. 9, 1986; eff. Apr. 29, 1986.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Application Fees" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.

Rule 157-3-.02. Other Fees.

Other fees may be charged for the following:

(a) Duplicate license, and/or identification card, which may have been stolen, lost, misplaced or mutilated;

(b) Change of name and/or address;

(c) Wall certificate and duplicate certificate;

(d) Verification of license to another state;

(e) Roster of licensees;

(f) Any copied materials;

(g) Any bad checks;

(h) Any additional fee the Board deems appropriate.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-3-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-3, 43-1-7, 43-1-25, 43-11A-7.
History. Original Rule entitled "Other Fees" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.

Rule 157-3-.03. Refunds and Insufficient Funds.

(1) Any request for refund must be submitted in writing and must be made within six months from the date Board receives said fee.

(2) Application fees are non-refundable.

(3) An indebtedness to the Board caused by a returned check will be dealt with in accordance with Code Section 16-9-20 of the Criminal Code of Georgia if applicable.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-3-.03
Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-7, 43-1-25, 43-11A-7.
History. Original Rule entitled "Refunds and Insufficient Funds" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.

Chapter 157-4. LICENSURE WITHOUT EXAMINATION.

Rule 157-4-.01. Licensure without Examination and Licensure by Registration.

(1) The Board may grant a license without examination to a person who submits:

(a) Verification of a valid license as a licensed dietitian issued by another state, political territory, or jurisdiction where the requirements for that license are substantially equal to or greater than the requirements for licensure in Georgia;

(b) A completed application, fee and all supporting documents; and,

(c) A Secure and Verifiable document and an Affidavit of Citizenship, as defined in Code Section O.C.G.A. §§ 50-36-1 and 50-36-2.

(d) The Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials as it may deem necessary.

(2) The Board may grant a license without examination to a person who submits:

(a) Evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant is currently registered as a Registered Dietitian (RD) with the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR), the credentialing agency for the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) or its successor organization;

(b) A completed application, fee and all supporting documents; and,

(c) A Secure and Verifiable document and an Affidavit of Citizenship, as defined in Code Section O.C.G.A. §§ 50-36-1 and 50-36-2.

(d) The Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials as it may deem necessary.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-4-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-11A-7, 43-11A-8.
History. Original Rule entitled "Licensure without Exam" adopted. F. June 26, 1987; eff. July 16, 1987.
Amended: F. Sept. 5, 1989; eff. Sept. 25, 1989.
Repealed: New Rule of same title adopted. F. June 26, 1991; eff. July 16, 1991.
Amended: F. June 2, 1993; eff. June 22, 1993.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Licensure without Examination" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
Amended: F. Feb. 8, 2017; eff. Feb. 28, 2017.
Amended: New title "Licensure without Examination and Licensure by Registration." F. Mar. 5, 2018; eff. Mar. 25, 2018.

Rule 157-4-.02. Repealed.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-4-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. § 43-11A-7.
History. Original Rule entitled "Requirements for Nutritionists With Merit System Work Experience" adopted. F. Feb. 13, 1995; eff. Mar. 5, 1995.
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Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-11A-7, 43-11A-8.
History. Original Rule entitled "Licensure by Endorsement" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
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Repealed: F. Mar. 21, 2016; eff. Apr. 10, 2016.

Chapter 157-5. CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION.

Rule 157-5-.01. Requirements and Definitions.

(1) Thirty (30) units of continuing professional education completed during each biennium is required for renewal except as otherwise provided in this chapter. See Rule 157-2-.04.

(2) The thirty (30) units of continuing professional education are required to be obtained within the two (2) year biennial licensure cycle to renew a license. The biennial licensure cycle is the two (2) year period beginning April 1st of each even numbered year and ending on March 31st of every subsequent even numbered year.

(3) Anyone initially licensed on or after April 1st of an odd numbered year, through March 31st of the following even numbered year, the second year of the biennium, is not required to meet continuing professional education requirements for that biennium.

(4) Continuing Professional Education Units (CPEUs) as used herein means one contact hour of an activity shall equal one CPEU unless specifically stated otherwise.

(5) Continuing Professional Education must meet the following requirements:

(a) Consist of education beyond that required for entry into the profession.

(b) Update, enhance or assess knowledge and skills required for competent performance.

(c) Dietetics-related.

(d) Provide learning outcomes that apply to practice.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-5-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-25, 43-11A-7(2), 43-11A-14(d).
History. Original Rule entitled "Continuing Education Requirements" adopted. F. Apr. 7, 1988; eff. Apr. 27, 1988.
Repealed: New Rule of same title adopted. F. Oct. 17, 1989; eff. Nov. 6, 1989.

Repealed: New Rule of same title adopted. F. May 20, 1992; eff. June 9, 1992.
Amended: F. June 2, 1993; eff. June 22, 1993.
Amended: F. June 21, 1996; eff. July 11, 1996.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Requirements and Definitions" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
Amended: F. Aug. 29, 2017; eff. Sept. 18, 2017.
Amended: F. Feb. 1, 2024; eff. Feb. 21, 2024.

Rule 157-5-.02. Documentation Requirements.

(1) A licensee must retain all required supporting documents as proof of completion of continuing professional education for no less than five (5) years.

(2) Proof of continuing professional education may be documented by:

(a) A copy of the licensee's current Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) card and CDR record of continuing professional education; provided, however, that the continuing professional education complies with the requirements specified within this chapter; or

(b) Certificate of attendance including date of event, number of contact hours, provider and provider contact information and a program title and agenda or description of the course; or

(c) Official college or university transcripts and a brief course description of academic coursework; or

(d) Other documentation or appropriate reporting form(s) as determined by the Board.

(3) Board Continuing Education Report Form must be provided with the above documentation if selected for a CE Audit at renewal.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-5-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-25, 43-11A-7(2), 43-11A-14(d).
History. Original Rule entitled "Documentation Requirements" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
Amended: F. June 15, 2005; eff. July 5, 2005.
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Rule 157-5-.03. Acceptable Continuing Professional Education.

(1) Acceptable continuing professional education activities must meet the requirements of this section and may include activities sponsored by the following approved organizations provided they meet the requirements and criteria of this section:

(a) Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians;

(b) Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) and affiliates;

(c) Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR); or

(d) Other organizations as approved by the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians.

(2) The following activities are acceptable, provided they meet the requirements and criteria of this section and may include:

(a) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Academic Coursework and Dietetics-related coursework, including distance learning, at a US regionally accredited college or university.

1. Academic coursework taken for credit or audit are converted to continuing professional education units as follows:

   Credit Audit

   (i) 1 semester credit = 15 CPEUs for credit; 8 CPEUs if course is audited

   (ii) 1 trimester credit = 14 CPEUs for credit; 7 CPEUs if course is audited

   (iii) 1 quarter credit = 10 CPEUs for credit; 5 CPEUs if course is audited

2. Official college or university transcripts and a brief course description of academic coursework are required for documentation.

(b) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Massive Open Online Courses. Continuing professional education units may be awarded for time spent viewing recorded online lectures or seminars offered via a regionally accredited college or university.

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

2. Official verification of participation including the course title, name of college or university, proof of the hours of the online lecture or seminar, and date of completion is required for documentation.

(c) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Case Presentations. Continuing professional education units may be awarded for attendance at a dietetics-related case presentation and include but are not limited to grand rounds and patient case studies.

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

2. A certificate of attendance including date of event, number of contact hours and program agenda, or copy of brochure describing the case presentation is required for documentation.

(d) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Certificate Programs. A certificate program is an intensive training program, with a component that assesses the participant. Upon completion of the program, participants receive a certificate attesting to the mastery of a new knowledge/skill set. The certificate program must be dietetics-related, sponsored by a US regionally accredited college or university or an institution accredited/approved by the Joint Commission (JC), National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA), or the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR).

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

2. A certificate of completion including date completed, number of CPEUs and the name, address, phone number, and e-mail address or fax number of the provider is required for documentation.

(e) A maximum of six (6) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for viewing Exhibits. Learning through dietetics-related exhibits such as those presented with the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) Food and Nutrition Conference and Exhibition may be awarded continuing professional education units when properly documented.

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

2. A certificate of attendance/completion including date completed and number of CPEUs or materials describing the exhibits (with date, timeline, provider and content) is required for documentation.

(f) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Experiential Skill Development training. Guidelines for experiential skill development include: the content must be dietetics-related,

the training must include a didactic component, and the providers must be credentialed professionals in the subject area taught or must be a Registered Dietitian or Registered Dietetic Technician.

1. For culinary programs a Registered Dietitian or Registered Dietetic Technician must be involved in the planning or presentation.

2. Examples of experiential skill development training include culinary skills training (where content focuses on food composition, food chemistry, alternative nutrient sources, cultural/social/economic influences, techniques to improve acceptability or compliance), physical assessment training, multi-skill training, and computer/technology training.

3. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

4. A certificate of attendance/completion, including date completed, number of CPEUs, the provider credentials and issuing organization is required for documentation.

(g) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Interactive Workshops. The workshop content is required to be dietetics-related and should include interactive discussion or participation among attendees.

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

2. A certificate of attendance/completion, including date completed, number of CPEUs or a CPE agenda/outline (with objectives, date, timeline, and provider) is required for documentation.

(h) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Journal Club activities. The journal club must be preplanned, provide for group participation, and include in-depth discussion of a single dietetics-related topic from pre-assigned articles/papers in professional, peer-reviewed journals.

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

2. A certificate of attendance/completion including date completed and number of CPEUs with the name, address, phone number, and e-mail address or fax number of the coordinator or a PE agenda/outline (with objectives, date, timeline, coordinator) is required for documentation.

(i) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for attending Lectures/Seminars. The lecture/seminar content is required to be dietetics-related, and the CPE activity should include discussion or participation among attendees.

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

2. A certificate of attendance/completion including date completed and number of CPEUs or CPE agenda/outline (with objectives, date, timeline and provider) is required for documentation.

(j) A maximum of twelve (12) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for attending Recorded Pre-Approved CPE. The recorded presentation viewed or listened to must have been either pre-approved by CDR or offered by one of the CDR accredited CPE providers. The recorded presentation must be viewed or listened to within three (3) years of the original date of the live presentation.

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

2. A certificate of completion or agenda/timing outline including the date completed, program title, provider, and number of CPEUs or CPE is required for documentation.

(k) A maximum of six (6) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for attending Poster Sessions. Learning through dietetics-related poster sessions such as those presented at the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) Food and Nutrition Conference and Exhibition can be awarded continuing professional education units.

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

2. A certificate of attendance/completion including date completed and number of CPEUs or CPE agenda/outline (with objectives, date, timeline and provider) or program/flyer/brochure describing the poster session is required for documentation.

(l) A maximum of six (6) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Professional Leadership. Holding an elected office in dietetics or dietetics-related national, state, or district organization that contributes to the acquisition of leadership skills and professional development may be awarded continuing professional education units.

1. A notice, association directory, including name of association, elected office, date completed and number of CPEUs or other documentation confirming the office held and dates of service is required for documentation.

(m) A maximum of six (6) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Professional Reading. Reading dietetics-related articles from peer-reviewed professional journals may be awarded CPE credit. The article must be read within 5 years of the date the article was published.

1. Reading each article is equivalent to one-half (0.5) continuing professional education unit.

2. A copy of the article abstract, or first page of the article read, including citation, date completed and number of CPEUs is required for documentation.

(n) A maximum of twenty (20) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved for conducting dietetics-related research as a sole or co-investigator. The investigator must participate substantially in the design of the work, analysis of data, as well as writing of the report. This does not include research conducted to fulfill academic requirements, which receives continuing professional education units under academic coursework, or conducting literature reviews, which are included under professional reading.

1. A sole investigator, who alone develops the study concept and design, conducts the analysis and writes the report, will receive twenty (20) continuing professional education units. A co-investigator, who participates substantially in development of the study concept and design, the analysis of data and writing of the report, will receive ten (10) continuing professional education units.

2. A final report to federal, state or other grant providing organization, or a letter verifying acceptance for publication in a peer-reviewed journal, or a copy of a published journal article in a peer-reviewed journal, or a letter verifying acceptance of research at a peer-reviewed professional association conference is required.

(o) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Residency and Fellowship Programs. Programs require completion of a dietetics-related, post-baccalaureate-level residency or fellowship activity with a minimum of thirty (30) contact hours. The program must meet all the following criteria: post-baccalaureate-level, dietetics-related, formalized/structured experiences, and sponsored by a US regionally accredited college or university or an institution accredited/approved by the Joint Commission (JC) or National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA).

1. Completion of the program provides thirty (30) continuing professional education units.

2. The name of the program, address, phone number, and email address or fax number of the provider along with a certificate of completion, including date completed and number of CPEUs are required for documentation.

(p) A maximum of twenty (20) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Sponsored Independent Learning activities. The individualized learning activity must be planned, carried out by the learner and it must be dietetics related. The learner contracts with an individual, who is an expert in a particular area, using the Sponsored Learning Contract available from Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND).

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to two (2) hours spent on this activity.

2. The sponsored independent learning contract with original signatures, including date completed and number of CPEUs is required for documentation.

(q) A maximum of twenty (20) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Study Groups. The study group must be preplanned, provide for group participation, include 3 or more professionals, and include an in-depth study of a specific, dietetics-related topic.

1. One (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

2. A certificate of attendance/completion including date completed and number of CPEUs or CPE agenda/outline (with objectives, date, timeline and coordinator) along with the name, address, phone number, and email address or fax number of the coordinator is required for documentation.

(r) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for earning a certification/recertification as approved by Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND)-Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR). For approval, the certification/recertification program must be dietetics related. It must require that candidates meet eligibility requirements, pass an examination to become certified initially, and require certificants to pass an examination for recertification to remain certified.

1. Completion of a certification/recertification provides 30 continuing professional education units.

2. The name, address, phone number, and email address or fax number of the provider and copy of the document verifying date of issue and duration of the certification including number of CPEUs are required for documentation.

(s) A maximum of thirty (30) continuing professional education units per biennium may be approved/accrued for Pre-approved Self-Study. Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND)-Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) pre-approved self-study programs and self-study programs offered by Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) Accredited Program Providers are acceptable. They may be audio-based, computer-based, printed, video-based, DVD-based, CD-based, or Web-based.

1. All self-study programs must meet Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) defined content, address a single topic in depth, periodicals must be preapproved, emphasis of the program must be on relevant content, must have a minimum of 1 contact hour that is verified, and there must be a professionally developed test at the end.

2. For most programs, one (1) continuing professional education unit is equivalent to one (1) contact hour.

3. A certificate of attendance/completion including date completed and number of CPEUs or CPE agenda/outline (with objectives, date, timeline and provider) is required for documentation.

(3) Unacceptable activities for continuing professional education units include, but are not limited to:

(a) Orientation and in-service programs.

(b) Meetings for the purpose of policy decisions.

(c) Non-educational meetings at association or organization meetings.

(d) Entertainment or recreational meetings or activities, and

(e) Activities that do not relate to dietetics services.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-5-.03
Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-4, 43-1-25, 43-11A-7(2), 43-11A-14(d).
History. Original Rule entitled "Acceptable Continuing Professional Education" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
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Chapter 157-6. CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS OF DIETITIANS.

Rule 157-6-.01. Code of Conduct.

(1) Unprofessional Conduct Defined. Unprofessional conduct may include but is not limited to the following:

(a) failing to provide appropriate consultation or direction according to minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing practice;

(b) failing to supervise the provision of nutrition services in a healthcare facility according to minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing practice;

(c) failing to notify a doctor, nurse, or other appropriate practitioner of the healing arts as to recommended nutrition care changes;

(d) practicing dietetics below the minimum standards of the profession as to assessments, evaluation, and documentation;

(e) practicing without a valid license;

(f) aiding in unlicensed practice, including but not limited to:

1. supervising, consulting, or co-signing notes of a registered dietitian that is not licensed under 43-11A;

2. failing to adequately supervise a student enrolled in an approved academic program in dietetics;

3. failing to adequately supervise a dietetic technician, certified dietary manager or dietetic aide in a healthcare facility.

(g) failing to report to the Board unlicensed practice of dietetics; and

(h) failing to provide client specific/appropriate nutritional counseling and education.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-6-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-19, 43-1-25, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-15.
History. Original Rule entitled "Ethics of Dietitians" adopted. F. June 26, 1987; eff. July 16, 1987.
Repealed: New Rule of same title adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Code of Conduct" adopted. F. Dec. 3, 2004; eff. Dec. 23, 2004.
Repealed: New Rule of same title adopted. F. May 1, 2008; eff. May 21, 2008.

Rule 157-6-.02. Ethics of Dietitians.

(1) The licensure law for dietitians provides that a Code of Ethics will be adopted and published and licensed dietitians will be required to adhere to the Code of Ethics. This code of ethics reflects the ethical principles of the dietetic profession and outlines obligations of the member to self, client, society, and the profession, and is adapted from the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics adopted by the American Dietetic Association and the Commission on Dietetic Registration. A violation of the Code of Ethics is considered unprofessional conduct and grounds for discipline under O.C.G.A. 43-1-19(6); 43-11A-15(6).

(2) Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 43-11A-7(9), the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians shall have the power to adopt, publish and enforce a Code of Ethics. The Licensed Dietitian provides professional services with objectivity and with respect for the unique needs and values of individuals by:

(a) providing sufficient information to enable clients, and others, to make their own informed decisions;

(b) avoiding discrimination on the basis of factors that are irrelevant to the provision of the professional services, including, but not limited to, race, creed, sex, ethnicity, religion, disability, national origin, sexual orientation and age; and

(c) not engaging in sexual harassment.

(3) The Licensed Dietitian accurately presents professional qualifications and credentials by:

(a) using "LD" or "Licensed Dietitian" only when his/her license is current and authorized by the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians;

(b) using "PLD" or "Provisionally Licensed Dietitian" only when his/her provisional permit is current and authorized by the Georgia Board of Licensed Dietitians;

(c) Certifying the provision of dietetics services only when provided directly by the licensed dietitian or under the supervision of the licensed dietitian.

(4) The Licensed Dietitian does not aid another in violating any Law or Rule of the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians or aid another person in representing himself/herself as a Licensed Dietitian/Provisionally Licensed Dietitian or practicing dietetics when he/she is not licensed or otherwise exempted from licensure.

(5) The Licensed Dietitian remains free from conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict by providing full disclosure when a real or potential conflict of interest arises.

(6) The Licensed Dietitian promotes or endorses products only in a manner that is neither false nor misleading.

(7) The Licensed Dietitian assumes responsibility and accountability for personal competence in practice by:

(a) practicing dietetics based on scientific principles and current information;

(b) continually striving to increase professional knowledge and skills and to apply them in practice;

(c) recognizing the limits of his/her qualifications and where appropriate seeks counsel or makes referrals or collaborates with others;

(d) adhering to accepted standards for his/her area of practice.

(8) The Licensed Dietitian complies with all applicable laws and regulations concerning the profession, but seeks to change them if they are inconsistent with the best interest of the public and the profession.

(9) The Licensed Dietitian presents substantiated information and interprets controversial information without personal bias, recognizing that legitimate differences of opinion exist.

(10) The Licensed Dietitian maintains the confidentiality of information and makes full disclosure about any limitations on his/her ability to maintain full confidentiality.

(11) The Licensed Dietitian conducts him/herself with honesty, integrity and fairness by:

(a) providing factual information to the public and colleagues of his/her services and not advertising in a false or misleading manner;

(b) making all reasonable effort to be objective and avoid bias of any kind in the professional evaluation of others.

(12) The Licensed Dietitian accepts obligation to protect the public and promotes the high standards of professional practice by upholding the laws, rules and Code of Ethics of the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians and by reporting alleged violations.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-6-.02
Authority: Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-19, 43-1-25, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-15.
History. Original Rule entitled "Ethics of Dietitians" adopted. F. Dec. 3, 2004; eff. Dec. 23, 2004.
Repealed: New Rule of same title adopted. F. May 1, 2008; eff. May 21, 2008.

Chapter 157-7. PROVISIONAL PERMIT.

Rule 157-7-.01. Definitions.

(1) Provisionally Licensed Dietitian as specified in O.C.G.A. § 43- 11A-10 shall mean a person issued a provisional permit by the Board to practice as a provisionally licensed dietitian under the supervision of a Georgia Licensed Dietitian.

(2) Dietitian as specified in O.C.G.A. § 43-11A-10 shall mean a person holding a current active license issued by the Board.

(3) Supervision as specified in O.C.G.A. § 43-11A-10 shall mean the licensed dietitian shall at all times be responsible for providing adequate supervision of the provisionally licensed dietitian supervised by him/her. Adequate supervision by a licensed dietitian shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) An on-site face-to-face visit no less than once a month. The onsite visit shall include, but not be limited to, a review of client care plans and review of documentation prepared by the provisionally licensed dietitian.

(b) Communication with the provisionally licensed dietitian no less than once weekly to review the practice of dietetics as defined in O.C.G.A. § 43-11A-3(4).

(c) Be readily available to the provisionally licensed dietitian for direction, guidance and instruction.

(4) Provisional Permit as specified in O.C.G.A. § 43-11A-10 shall mean a permit issued by the Board to examination applicants at the discretion of the Board.

(5) The letters "PLD" means a Provisionally Licensed Dietitian who holds a current provisional permit issued by the Board as specified in O.C.G.A. § 43-11A-10.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-7-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-11A-3, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-10.
History. Original Rule entitled "Provisional Permit" adopted. F. Apr. 23, 1998; eff. May 13, 1998.
Repealed: New Rule entitled "Definitions" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.

Rule 157-7-.02. Application for Provisional Permit.

(1) All applicants for provisional permits must submit the following information to the Board:

(a) The application for licensure as specified in Rule 157-2-.02, indicating on the application a provisional permit is requested (a separate fee is required - see fee schedule).

(b) All applicants must submit a Secure and Verifiable document and an Affidavit of Citizenship, as defined in Code Section O.C.G.A. §§ 50-36-1 and 50-36-2;

(c) The required fee (see fee schedule).

(d) An official transcript with school seal affixed showing degree(s) earned, areas of major study and date of graduation.

(e) Documentation of completion of a supervised experience component in dietetics.

(f) An indication of the date when the examination will be taken.

(g) For applicants who have obtained their education outside the United States and its territories a credential evaluation as specified in Rule 157-2-.02(2)(b).

(h) The Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials as it may deem necessary.

(2) A provisional permit shall not be issued if the applicant has ever failed any examination administered or approved by the Board.

(3) A provisional permit may be denied upon a determination that the applicant fails to meet the requirements for licensure pursuant to O.C.G.A. §§ 43-11A-15 and 43-1-19.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-7-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-11A-7, 43-11A-10.
History. Original Rule entitled "Application for Provisional Permit" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.
Amended: F. Aug. 29, 2017; eff. Sept. 18, 2017.

Rule 157-7-.03. Renewal of Provisional Permit.

(1) A provisional permit issued by the Board shall expire either:

(a) One (1) year after issuance; or

(b) Upon issuance by the Board of a license to practice dietetics.

(2) A provisional permit may be renewed at the discretion of the Board upon submission of the following:

(a) A new application and the required fee (see fee schedule);

(b) A statement indicating circumstances requiring the renewal of the provisional permit;

(c) The Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials as it may deem necessary.

(3) A renewed provisional permit will be valid for a length of time as determined by the Board in its discretion.

(4) The provisional permit shall not be renewed if the applicant has ever failed any examination administered or approved by the Board.

(5) A provisional permit may be denied renewal upon a determination that the applicant fails to meet the requirements for licensure pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 43-11A-15 and O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 157-7-.03
Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-11A-7, 43-11A-10.
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