

65-2005. Designation of licensee; expiration and renewal of license; reinstatement of license; temporary permits; temporary licenses; exempt license; display of license or permit; postgraduate permit; inactive license; federally active licensee.

(a) A licensee shall be designated a licensed podiatrist and shall not use any title or abbreviations without the designation licensed podiatrist, practice limited to the human foot, including the ankle and tendons which insert into the foot as well as the foot, and shall not mislead the public as to such licensee's limited professional qualifications to treat human ailments. Whenever a registered podiatrist, or words of like effect, is referred to or designated by any statute, contract or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to refer to or designate a licensed podiatrist.

(b) The license of each licensed podiatrist shall expire on the date established by rules and regulations of the board which may provide renewal throughout the year on a continuing basis. In each case in which a license is renewed for a period of time of less than one year, the board may prorate the amount of the fee established under K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto. The request for renewal shall be on a form provided by the board and shall be accompanied by the renewal fee established under K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto, which shall be paid not later than the expiration date of the license. At least 30 days before the expiration of a licensee's license, the board shall notify the licensee of the expiration by mail addressed to the licensee's last mailing address as noted upon the office records. If a licensee fails to pay the renewal fee by the date of expiration, the licensee shall be given a second notice that the licensee's license has expired and the license may be renewed only if the renewal fee and the late renewal fee are received by the board within the thirty-day period following the date of expiration and that, if both fees are not received within the thirty-day period, such licensee's license shall be canceled by operation of law and without further proceedings for failure to renew and shall be reissued only after the licensee has been reinstated under subsection (c).

(c) Any licensee who allows the licensee's license to be canceled by failing to renew may be reinstated upon recommendation of the board and upon payment of the renewal fee and the reinstatement fee established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto, and upon submitting evidence of satisfactory completion of the applicable reeducation and continuing education requirements established by the board. The board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing appropriate reeducation and continuing education requirements for reinstatement of persons whose licenses have been canceled for failure to renew.

(d) The board, prior to renewal of a license, shall require the licensee, if in the active practice of podiatry within Kansas, to submit to the board evidence satisfactory to the board that the licensee is maintaining a policy of professional liability insurance as required by K.S.A. 40-3402, and amendments thereto, and has paid the annual premium surcharge as required by K.S.A. 40-3404, and amendments thereto.

(e) The board may issue a temporary permit to practice podiatry in this state to any person making application for a license to practice podiatry who meets the required qualifications for a license and who pays to the board the temporary permit fee established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto. A temporary permit shall authorize the permittee to practice within the limits of the permit until the license is issued or denied to the permittee by the board.

(f) The board may issue a postgraduate permit to practice podiatry to any person engaged in a full-time, approved postgraduate study program; has made application for such postgraduate permit upon a form provided by the board; meets all the qualifications for a license, except the examination required under K.S.A. 65-2004, and amendments thereto; and has paid the fee established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto. The postgraduate permit shall authorize the person receiving the permit to practice podiatry in the postgraduate study program, but shall not authorize practice outside of the postgraduate study program. The postgraduate permit shall be canceled if the permittee ceases to be engaged in the postgraduate study program.

(g) The board may issue, upon payment to the board of the temporary license fee established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto, a temporary license to a practitioner of another state or country who is appearing as a clinician at meetings, seminars or training programs approved by the board, if the practitioner holds a current license, registration or certificate as a podiatrist from another state or country and the sole purpose of such appearance is for promoting professional education.

(h) There is hereby created a designation of exempt license. The board is authorized to issue an exempt license to any licensee who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the board and remits the fee for an exempt license established under K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto. The board may issue an exempt license only to a person who has previously been issued a license to practice podiatry within Kansas, who is no longer regularly engaged in such practice and who does not hold oneself out to the public as being professionally engaged in such practice. An exempt license shall entitle the holder to all privileges attendant to the practice of podiatry. Each exempt license may be renewed annually subject to the other provisions of this section and other sections of the podiatry act. Each exempt licensee shall be subject to all provisions of the podiatry act, except as otherwise provided. The holder of an exempt license shall not be required to submit evidence of satisfactory completion of a program of continuing education required under the podiatry act. Each exempt licensee may apply for a license to regularly engage in the practice of podiatry upon filing a written application with the board and submitting evidence of satisfactory completion of the applicable and continuing education requirements established by the board. The request shall be on a form provided by the board and shall be accompanied by the license fee established under K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto. The board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing appropriate and continuing education requirements for exempt licensees to become licensed to regularly practice podiatry within Kansas.

(i) There is hereby created a designation of inactive license. The board is authorized to issue an inactive license to any licensee who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the board and remits the fee for an inactive license established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto. The board may issue an inactive license only to a person who meets all the requirements for a license to practice podiatry in Kansas, who is not regularly engaged in the practice of podiatry in Kansas, who does not hold oneself out to the public as being professionally engaged in such practice and who meets the definition of inactive health care provider as defined in K.S.A. 40-3401, and amendments thereto. An inactive license shall not entitle the holder to practice podiatry in this state. Each inactive license may be renewed subject to the provisions of this section. Each inactive licensee shall be subject to all provisions of the podiatry act, except as otherwise provided in this subsection. The holder of an inactive license shall not be required to submit evidence of satisfactory completion of a program of continuing education required by K.S.A. 65-2010, and amendments thereto. Each inactive licensee may apply for a license to regularly

engage in the practice of podiatry upon filing a written application with the board. The request shall be on a form provided by the board and shall be accompanied by the license fee established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto. For those licensees whose license has been inactive for less than two years, the board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing appropriate continuing education requirements for inactive licensees to become licensed to regularly practice podiatry within Kansas. Any licensee whose license has been inactive for more than two years and who has not been in the active practice of podiatry or engaged in a formal education program since the licensee has been inactive may be required to complete such additional testing, training or education as the board may deem necessary to establish the licensee's present ability to practice with reasonable skill and safety.

(j) There is hereby created a designation of federally active license. The board is authorized to issue a federally active license to any licensee who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the board and remits the same fee required for a license established under K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto. The board may issue a federally active license only to a person who meets all the requirements for a license to practice podiatry in Kansas and who practices podiatry solely in the course of employment or active duty in the United States government or any of its departments, bureaus or agencies or who, in addition to such employment or assignment, provides professional services as a charitable health care provider as defined under K.S.A. 75-6102, and amendments thereto. The provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this section relating to expiration, renewal and reinstatement of a license and K.S.A. 65-2010, and amendments thereto, relating to continuing education shall be applicable to a federally active license issued under this subsection. A person who practices under a federally active license shall not be deemed to be rendering professional service as a health care provider in this state for purposes of K.S.A. 40-3402, and amendments thereto.

(k) Each license or permit granted under this act shall be conspicuously displayed at the office or other place of practice of the licensee or permittee.

(l) A person whose license has been revoked may apply for reinstatement of the license after the expiration of three years from the effective date of the revocation. Application for reinstatement shall be on a form provided by the board and shall be accompanied by a reinstatement of a revoked license fee established by the board under K.S.A. 65-2012, and amendments thereto. The burden of proof by clear and convincing evidence shall be on the applicant to show sufficient rehabilitation to justify reinstatement of the license. If the board determines a license should not be reinstated, the person shall not be eligible to reapply for reinstatement for three years from the effective date of the denial. All proceedings conducted on an application for reinstatement shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act and shall be reviewable in accordance with the Kansas judicial review act. The board, on its own motion, may stay the effectiveness of an order of revocation of license.

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