

ENROLLED ACT NO. 43, SENATE

SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2021 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to dentists and dental hygienists; amending examination, fee and license requirements for the practice of dentistry; amending renewal license requirements and procedures; amending requirements to be established by the board of dental examiners; amending qualification and licensure requirements for dental hygienists; specifying applicability; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 33-15-108(a) through (c) and (f), 33-15-109(a) and 33-15-120(a) and (c) are amended to read:

33-15-108. Licensing; qualifications; examinations; fees.

(a) Any person who has a background that does not evidence conduct adverse to the practice of dentistry or to the ability to practice dentistry, who has graduated and attained the degree of doctor of dental surgery or doctor of dental medicine from a college or university in the United States or Canada accredited by the commission on dental accreditation of the American Dental Association, may apply to the board to have the applicant's qualifications considered for licensure to practice dentistry. The applicant shall pass a written, and practical—clinical and state examination in a manner satisfactory to that follows national standards as determined by rule of the board. ~~The written examination shall consist of part I and part II of the national board of dental examinations administered by the joint commission on national dental examinations of the American Dental Association and an examination on the Wyoming Dental Practice Act and the rules and regulations of the board of~~

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~~dentist examiners. The clinical practical examination shall be based on satisfactory completion of a clinical examination acceptable to the board.~~

(b) The board ~~shall~~may set ~~the examination fee and all reexamination fees shall be the same as the current fee for the initial examination~~fees for initial examinations and reexamination. Fees shall be paid to the board office before the examination or reexamination. The fee shall be paid by ~~money order, cashier's check or certified check~~any method designated by the board, and in no case shall the fee be refunded.

(c) The applicant shall be informed ~~in writing by certified mail~~ of the results of his examination within thirty (30) days after the examination.

(f) The board shall keep ~~a record book in which is recorded~~records of the names and addresses of all applicants and such other matters as affords a full record of the actions of the board. The records or transcripts of the records, duly certified by the president and secretary of the board with the seal of the board attached, is prima facie evidence before all courts of this state of the entries therein.

33-15-109. Renewal license certificate.

(a) On or before December 31 ~~each~~of every second year, each dentist licensed to practice dentistry in this state and wishing to continue in the practice of dentistry shall submit a license renewal application with the applicable renewal fee. Any license granted by the board shall ~~be cancelled after ten (10) days notice by registered mail~~expire if the holder fails to secure the renewal

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certificate within three (3) months after ~~December 31 each year~~ the date that the license renewal application is required to be submitted.

33-15-120. Dental hygienists; qualifications; examination; fees and license.

(a) Any person who has a background that does not evidence conduct adverse to the practice of dental hygiene or to the ability to practice dental hygiene who is a graduate of a dental hygiene program accredited by the commission on dental accreditation of the American Dental Association, who has passed ~~in a manner satisfactory to the board the dental hygiene national board examination administered by the joint commission on national dental examinations of the American Dental Association and who passes any clinical board accepted~~ a written, clinical and state examination as determined by rule of the board may apply to the board to have the person's qualifications considered for licensure to practice dental hygiene. ~~Applicants shall be required to pass a written examination satisfactory to the board.~~

(c) If the applicant successfully completes the requirements for licensure, the applicant shall be licensed as a dental hygienist. If the expanded duties applicant has successfully met the requirements for expanded duties, the applicant shall be certified in those expanded duties. The certificate issued by the board shall list the expanded duties which the hygienist is qualified and permitted to perform. On or before December 31 ~~each~~ each of every second year, each dental hygienist licensed to practice dental hygiene and wishing to continue in the practice of dental hygiene shall submit a license renewal application with the applicable renewal fee. The renewal certificate shall be

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made available to the supervising dentist. Any license granted by the board shall ~~be cancelled after ten (10) days notice by registered mail expire~~ if the holder fails to secure the renewal certificate within three (3) months after ~~December 31 each year the date that the license renewal application is required to be submitted~~. Any license ~~cancelled that has expired~~ may be restored by the board upon payment of a fee set by the board, if paid by December 31 of the year the license ~~was cancelled expired~~.

Section 2. The provisions of this act shall apply to the 2021-2022 application cycle for the board of dental examiners.

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Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2021.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk