State of California Office of Administrative Law

In re: Board of Occupational Therapy

Regulatory Action:

Title 16, California Code of Regulations

Adopt sections: Amend sections: 4110, 4111, 4112, 4114 Repeal sections: NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY ACTION

Government Code Section 11349.3

OAL Matter Number: 2025-0502-05

OAL Matter Type: Regular (S)

This rulemaking action by the Board of Occupational Therapy amends regulations relating to the procedures for submission of applications for licenses and limited permits.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 10/1/2025.

Date: June 16, 2025

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Order of Adoption Applications

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Amend section 4110 of Division 39, Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

§ 4110. Application for Licensure

(a) An application for a license or limited permit shall be submitted on the form entitled Initial Application for Licensure, Form ILA, (Rev. 9/2020), hereby incorporated by reference, or by providing the same information via on-line submission, if available, and shall contain the information required by sections 30, 144, 851, 2570.5, 2570.6, 2570.7, 2570.8, 2570.9, 2570.14, and 2570.16 of the Code and Family Code section 17520, accompanied by the appropriate fees.

(b) An application for a license or limited permit shall be deemed 'received' by the board upon receipt of the application and payment of the application fee, whichever occurs last.



<u>(c)</u> For an applicant applying for licensure pursuant to section 2570.15 of the Code, "substantially equal" means that the applicant has successfully completed the academic requirements of an educational program, including the educational program and supervised fieldwork requirements, for an occupational therapist or an occupational therapy assistant that are approved by the board and approved by the foreign credentialing review process of the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT), the American Occupational Therapy Certification Board, or the American Occupational Therapy Association.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2570.20, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 30, 114.5, 144, 850, 851, 2570.5, 2570.6, 2570.7, 2570.8, 2570.9, 2570.14, 2570.15 and 2570.16, Business and Professions Code; and Section 17520, Family Code.

Amend section 4111 of Division 39, Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

§ 4111. Place of Filing

Applications shall be filed with the board's principal office <u>or submitted on-line in the</u> <u>BreEZe system available on the Board's website at www.bot.ca.gov</u>. Note: Authority cited: Section 2570.20, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 2570.5, 2570.6, 2570.7, 2570.8, 2570.9, 2570.14 and 2570.16, Business and Professions Code.

Amend section 4112 of Division 39, Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

§ 4112. Review of Application

Within thirty (30) days after receipt of an application for a license or limited permit, the board shall inform the applicant, in writing, whether the application is complete and accepted for filing approved or that it is deficient and what specific information or documentation is required to complete the application.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2570.20, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 115.5, 144, 2570.5, 2570.6, 2570.7, 2570.8, 2570.9, 2570.14 and 2570.16, Business and Professions Code; and Section 15376, Government Code.

Amend section 4114 of Division 39, Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

§ 4114. Abandonment of Application

(a) An application for a license shall be deemed abandoned and the application fee forfeited when:

(1) The applicant fails to complete the application within two-one years after it is originally received by the board- or

(2) The applicant fails to submit the initial license fee within sixty (60) <u>ninety (90)</u> days after the date of notification of <u>eligibility approval</u> by the board.

- (b) An application for a limited permit shall be deemed abandoned and the application fee forfeited if when:
- (1) <u>T</u>the applicant fails to complete the application or submit the required fee within sixty (60) days after it is originally received by the board- <u>or</u>
- (2) The applicant fails to submit the limited permit fee within thirty (30) days after the date of notification of approval by the board.
- (c) An application submitted subsequent to the abandonment of a previous application shall be treated as a new application.
- (d) Any application fee will be forfeited if the application is deemed abandoned.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2570.20, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 2570.5, 2570.6, 2570.7, 2570.8, 2570.9, 2570.14 and 2570.16, Business and Professions Code.