

6500.2000 INDIVIDUAL ANNUAL LICENSE RENEWAL.

Subpart 1. **Fee.** On or before January 1 of each year, the board shall receive a license renewal fee of \$105 from every licensed optometrist who desires to continue to be entitled to practice in this state.

Subp. 2. **Address of practice.** At the time of paying the fee required by this part, the optometrist shall inform the board of the address or addresses of the place or places where the practice is conducted. The optometrist shall also inform the board of any change in the address or addresses of the practice during the 12-month period within one month of the change.

Subp. 3. **Compliance with continuing education requirements.** As specified in parts 6500.0900 to 6500.1700, submission to the board of satisfactory proof of compliance with continuing education requirements is and shall be a condition precedent to annual license renewal.

Subp. 4. **Default; revocation of license.** When an optometrist defaults in payment of the annual renewal fee under subpart 1, the board may invoke the procedures of part 6500.2800 for the revocation of the license; provided that the payment of the fee at or before the completion of the procedures of part 6500.2800, with such additional sum not exceeding \$35 as may be fixed by the board, shall excuse the default. In the event any default remains unexcused at the completion of the procedures of part 6500.2800 and a license is revoked for nonpayment of renewal fees, the board may, in its discretion, refuse to issue a new license to any person whose license has been so revoked until such time as that person repasses or, if previously licensed by reciprocity, passes the examinations and complies with all other requirements for initial licensure by examination in this state.

Subp. 5. **Practicing optometry without a current license.** Practicing optometry without a renewed or current license shall have the same force, effect, and potential legal consequences as practicing optometry without a license.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 148.53; 214.06*

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