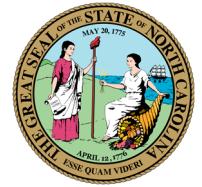


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BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS



Newsletter for barbers, barber shops, and barber schools

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Renewals due May 31

Remember that most renewals are due May 31, 2022. You must renew your licenses and permits online at barbers.nc.gov.

Please don't wait until the last moment to renew! Keep in mind that we'll be closed the day before the deadline because of a state holiday. If you put off your renewal to the end of May, we may not be able to respond in time to assist you.

Helpful tip: receipts aren't licenses

Receipts or copies of payments cannot be used in place of a license or permit. Shop managers shouldn't allow barbers to post a receipt or a copy of a payment next to the station in place of a license. We don't allow receipts or payment copies because:

- Although it may show payment, the receipt doesn't necessarily mean the person got a license. They may need to submit other documents or may have only made a partial payment.
- There's a rule requiring the license or permit to be displayed.
- Members of the public won't be assured that the person or business is properly licensed.

If you're not sure whether a person is licensed, you should check online at barbers.nc.gov under Resources and then License Verification, or you can contact us.

Mobile barber shops prohibited (for now)

State law does **not** allow us to issue licenses or permits to mobile barber shops (think of food trucks, but with barber services instead of meals). For now, mobile barber shops are unlawful, and you should not try to operate or work at one. We know that they're out there, and we investigate complaints about mobile barber shops. But don't get caught trying to operate or work at one.

We have asked the General Assembly to allow us to license them. If the legislature does that, we'll share information about the requirements to license and operate a mobile barber shop.

Updates to rules for barber shops

Effective April 1, 2022, the following changes have been made to rules affecting barber shops.

- **Failed sanitation ratings.** In the past, if your shop got a failing sanitation score, we could not

reinspect the shop to raise that score until 30 days passed. Now, we can reinspect the shop soon after the failed score. The board believes this will motivate shops to fix issues right away.

- **Pipes.** In the past, shops had to have plumbing-related pipes covered. This is no longer a requirement. The board recognized that shops might have aesthetic reasons for wanting the pipes to be exposed. Please make sure that your shop still complies with local ordinances and building regulations.

Office closed to walk-in traffic

Our office remains closed to walk-in traffic, but you can contact us anytime using the information at www.barbers.nc.gov/contact.html. Also, we are closed for state holidays, a full list of which is available at <https://oshr.nc.gov/state-employee-resources/benefits/leave/holidays>.

Below are some upcoming state holidays

- April 15, 2022: Good Friday
- May 30, 2022: Memorial Day
- July 4, 2022: Independence Day

Board meeting dates

Below is a list of upcoming board meeting dates (please note that dates are subject to change). Information about board meetings is posted at barbers.nc.gov under Dates and then Board Meetings. You can also get notifications for board meetings by submitting a request to barberboard@nc.gov.

- April 12, 2022, at Just For You Barber Styling Academy in Charlotte
- June 21, 2022
- August 23, 2022
- October 18, 2022
- December 13, 2022

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