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**From:** Seavers, Dennis  
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**To:** barber-schools  
**Subject:** Temporary permits (permission to work) now online

Dear schools,

I'm happy to announce that we have a new system that allows users to request temporary permits (also called "permission to work") online. The system will allow users to select whether they receive temporary permits by email (which they would print) or by mail. The online form is available at [www.barbers.nc.gov](http://www.barbers.nc.gov) under Forms & Payments (in the apprentice barber exam application section). We'll continue accepting paper forms for individuals who don't want to use the online system, but we encourage users to try this new process.

This system has several advantages, both for the board staff and the applicants, including the following.

- Applicants will have an easy-to-use form, which is optimized both for desktop/laptop and mobile devices.
- The staff will have an improved system for tracking and verifying the legitimacy of temporary permits.
- Applicants will get the temporary permits faster because they won't have to mail them in. If they choose to receive the temporary permit by email, they'll get them back almost as soon as we approve them rather than having to wait for the mail.
- If the request is denied, the user will receive a message explaining why the denial occurred. That in turn might help the individual to resolve any issues and resubmit the request, if the applicant is eligible.

There were some representatives from school and organizations who assisted with testing. They gave feedback on the process that helped improve it, and I'm grateful for their time. As with any new system, there will be some refinements we make based on experience and feedback. If you have any issues with this new system, please feel free to contact me and share your thoughts.

If you have any questions about this new process, please contact me.

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