

BARBER SCHOOLS Q&A

SESSION 1: APRIL 18, 2022

SESSION 2: APRIL 19, 2022

PURPOSE OF MEETING

- Convey updates to schools
- Give schools a forum to ask questions and express concerns

AGENDA

- Renewals
- Update on rules
- Legislation
- Exams
- Other projects
- Questions and comments

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

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RENEWALS

- Renew by May 31
 - Schools can renew online or by mail
 - If you renew by mail, you must include the renewal form
- **Verify that all barber instructors have renewed before you allow them to instruct**
- Noncompliance with renewal might lead to noncompliance with other statutory requirements

UPDATE ON RULES

Amendment to 21 NCAC 06F .0101:

- Deals with disinfecting solutions and their containers
- Must be located at the workstand
- Workstand: for each barber chair, where the mounted mirror is located
- Effective April 1, 2022 (code may not yet be updated)

UPDATE ON RULES

Online classes

- 21 NCAC 06F .0120 – curriculum: online classes
- 576 hours online as specified in curriculum
- Authority to offer 1528 hours online ended December 31, 2021

UPDATE ON RULES

State of emergency:

- Must be called by governor
- A state of emergency declared by the school wouldn't qualify
- May only apply to certain schools, depending on emergency
- Board will communicate with affected schools

UPDATE ON RULES

Waivers and extensions during state of emergency:

- Submit reports by last day of month (rather than 15th)
- 30 days (rather than 5 business days) to submit hours
- Return student permits within 60 days rather than 5 business days
- Increase of per-day limit of instruction hours per student from 8 to 10
- Only during state of emergency

UPDATE ON RULES

How to ask for rules to be changed:

- Informal – contact executive director
- Formal – petition for rulemaking

LEGISLATION (HB 792)

Just informational – not all provisions affect schools:

- Merger with Board of Electrolysis Examiners
- Mobile barber shops
- Instructor-student ratio
- Out-of-state applicants

EXAMS

Exam scheduling

- New system for scheduling – est. completion May 2022
- Benefits include:
 - Faster notification to applicants (scheduling and results)
 - Email notifications
 - Monthly automated notification of results to schools (for now, submit request to barberboard@nc.gov)

EXAMS

Exam dashboard for applicants

- Exam information (scheduling and results) – est. completion May 2022
- Benefits include:
 - Users can see upcoming exams and exam history
 - Downloads of notices or results
 - In the future – option to self-schedule (project not started)

EXAMS

Written exams

- Pass rate continues to be low
- No change in exam since 2018
- Average scores have only dropped a little

EXAMS

Practical exams

- Current practices “temporary”: due to pandemic
- Long-standing plan to look at exams
- Initial proposal in 2020 not adopted by board
- Ad hoc committee to recommend long-term change
- At least six months advance notice to schools of adopted changes

EXAMS

Practical exams

- Expect proposal at June 2022 meeting
- Focus on:
 - Better communication of expected outcomes
 - Mannequins
 - Shave
 - Addressing feedback over the years

OTHER PROJECTS

- Online login process – est. June 2022 completion
- Late renewals online – est. June 2022 completion
- Temporary permits (permission to work)
- Online reporting of school hours
- Computer-based testing (depending on RFP responses)
- Suggestions always welcome!

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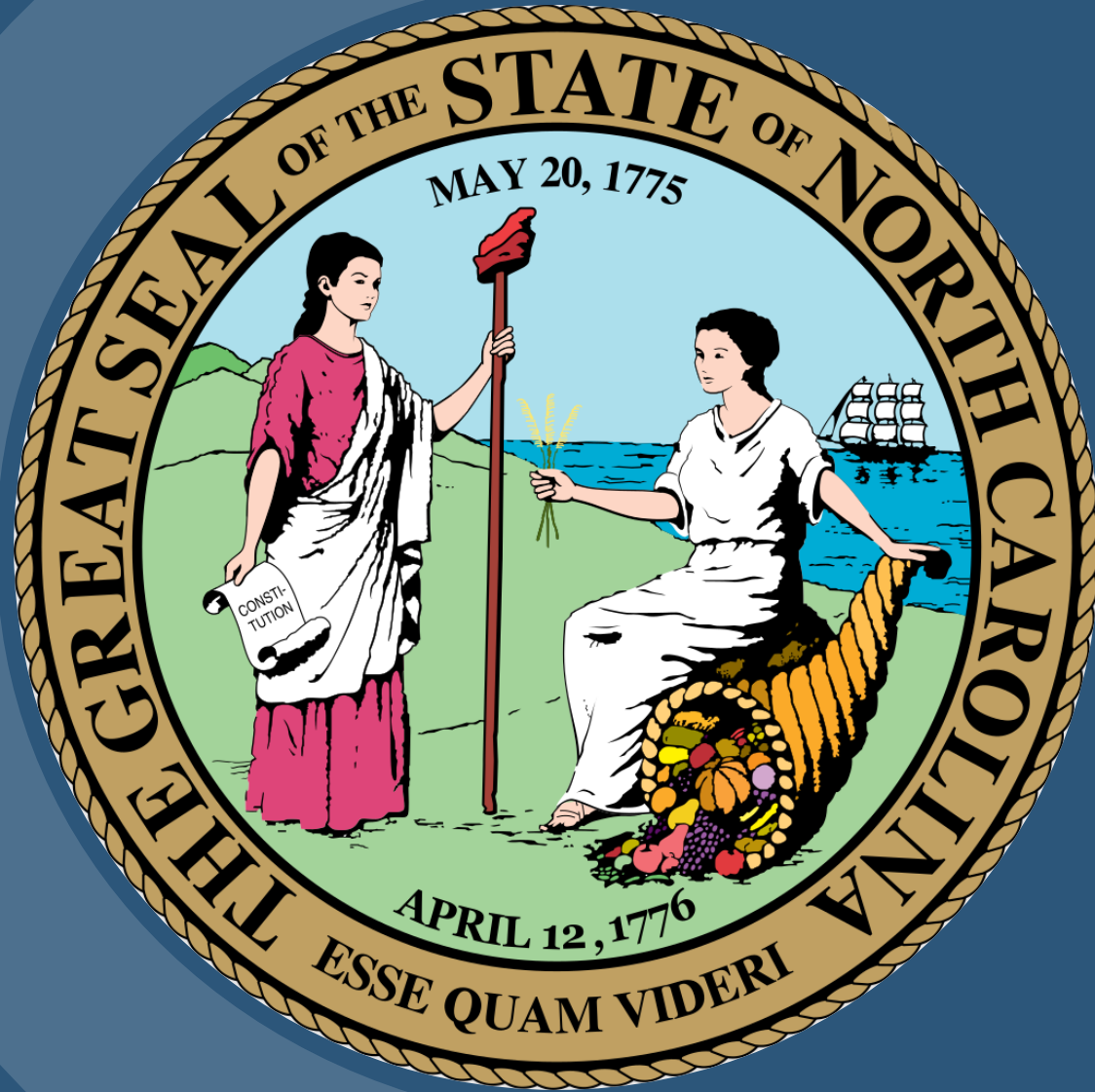
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