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April 16, 2020

# Charlie Diehl Auctioneer Licensure Board Sent via email only to: cdiehl@ncalb.org

Re: Extension of the Period of Review for Rules 21 NCAC 04B .0101, .0102, .0103, .0104, .0201, .0202, .0203, .0301, .0302, .0303, .0401, .0402, .0403, .0404, .0405, .0501, .0502, .0503, .0504, .0505, .0506, .0601, .0602, .0603, .0604, .0605, .0606, .0607, .0701, .0801, .0802, .0803, .0804, .0805, .0806, .0807, .0808, .0809, .0810, .0811, .0812, .0813, .0814, .0815, .0816, .0817, .0818, and .0819

Dear Mr. Diehl:

At its meeting this morning, the Rules Review Commission extended the period of review for the above-captioned rules in accordance with G.S. 150B-21.10. They did so in response to a request from the agency to extend the period in order to allow the agency to address the requested technical changes and submit the revised rules at a later meeting.

Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.13, when the Commission extends the period of review, it is required to approve or object to rules or call a public hearing on the same within 70 days.

If you have any questions regarding the Commission's actions, please let me know.

Sinderely. Lud Amanda J. Reeder

Commission Counsel

cc: Rebecca Stewart, Auctioneer Licensing Board

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AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0101

#### DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT: Wednesday, April 8, 2020

# <u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> This request may extend to several pages. Please be sure you have reached the end of the document.

The Rules Review Commission staff has completed its review of this Rule prior to the Commission's next meeting. The Commission has not yet reviewed this Rule and therefore there has not been a determination as to whether the Rule will be approved. You may call our office to inquire concerning the staff recommendation.

In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 5, consider replacing "are in accord" with "comply"

In the History Note, line 11, I do not think you need to cite to every law in your Act. Why not cite to only G.S. 85B-3.1?

21 NCAC 04B .0101 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

3 21 NCAC 04B .0101 PURPOSE

4 (a) It is the responsibility of the Board to license auctioneers, apprentice auctioneers, and auction firms and to see

5 <u>ensure</u> that the qualifications and activities of those engaged in auctioneering activities are in accord with <del>law and in</del>

6 the best interests of the public. <u>G.S. 85B.</u>

7 (b) The Board is not a board of arbitration and has no jurisdiction to settle disputes between parties concerning such

8 matters of contract as the rate of commissions, the division of commissions, or pay of assistants, and similar matters.

- 9 <u>assistants.</u>
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11 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-1 through 85B-9;

Eff. November 1, 1984;

13 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0102

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

I recommend making the language on line 8 Paragraph (b), and stating "The Board's website is <u>www.ncalb.org</u>."

If you do this, make what is currently (b) into (c).

1	21 NCAC 04B.	0102 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:	
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3	21 NCAC 04B	0102 BOARD OFFICE	
4	(a) The adminis	strative offices of the Board are located at:	
5	602 Ste	ellata Drive 108 Ber Creek Drive	
6	Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina 27526		
7	Telephone: (919) 567-2844		
8	Website: www.ncalb.org.		
9 10 11		s are 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. excluding State holidays as CAC 01E .0901, which is hereby incorporated by reference including subsequent amendments.	
12	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B-3.1;	
13		Eff. November 1, 1984;	
14		Amended Eff. March 1, 2003; June 1, 1999; July 1, 1995; April 1, 1989;	
15		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.	

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0103

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In Item (6), line 9, I recommend deleting "as used in auctions"

1	21 NCAC 04B .0	0103 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:
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3	21 NCAC 04B.	0103 DEFINITIONS
4	Whenever used i	in this Chapter:
5	<del>(1)</del> <u>(2)</u>	"Auctioneers Law" or "licensing law" shall refer to G.S. 85B; G.S. 85B.
6	<del>(2)</del> (4)	"Buyer's Premium" shall mean any additional charge owed by a buyer to the auctioneer, auction
7		firm, or directly to the seller above and beyond the highest accepted bid amount; amount.
8	(3)	"Board" shall mean the North Carolina Auctioneers Commission; Commission.
9	<u>(4) (6)</u>	"Minimum Bid" as used in auctions shall mean minimum opening bids; bids.
10	(5)	"Course" shall mean the curriculum, instruction, and activities of schools of auctioneering subject
11		to the rules of this Subchapter.
12	<del>(5)</del> <u>(7)</u>	"Principal(s)" as it pertains to auction firms shall mean director(s), officer(s) officer(s), owner(s),
13		and partner(s); partner(s).
14	<del>(6)</del> <u>(8)</u>	"Non Auction Firm Business" "Sole Proprietor Auction Business" shall mean a sole licensed
15		auctioneer whose business is not defined as an "Auction Firm" as set forth in G.S. 85B-1(6);
16		<u>G.S. 85B-1(6).</u>
17	<del>(7)</del> <u>(1)</u>	"Auction house," "auction barn," or "auction gallery" shall mean an auction business that conducts
18		auctions at a single location and where consignments are brought to the location by either the
19		auctioneer/auction firm or the public to be sold at auction.
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21	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B-1; 85B-3.1; 85B-4;
22		Eff. November 1, 1984;
23		Amended Eff. May 1, 2006; April 1, 2001; April 1, 1996; January 1, 1995;
24		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0104

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), lines 12-13, delete "Such incorporations by reference shall automatically" and replace it with "These incorporations shall"

In (b), line 14, what procedures in 150B-4 are you referring to? If you do not have specific procedures, I suggest you delete "In addition to the procedures set out in G.S. 150B-4," and just begin the sentence "Petitions for declaratory rulings …"

In (b)(5), line 21, what practices are you referring to? And presumed by the petitioner?

In (b)(6)(D), line 31, what do you mean by "specifically"?

In (c)(2), Page 2, line 1, you do not need the language after "amendment"

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

Amanda J. Reeder Commission Counsel Date submitted to agency: March 25, 2020

21 NCAC 04B .0104 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

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3	21 NCAC 04B.	1104 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW PROCEDURES
4	(a) Contested C	ases. Administrative hearings in contested cases conducted by the Board or an administrative law
5	judge <del>(as</del> <u>as</u> auth	orized in G.S. 150B-40) G.S. 150B-40(e) shall be governed by:
6	(1)	procedures set out in Article 3A of G.S. 150B;
7	(2)	insofar as relevant, the Rules of Civil Procedure as contained in G.S. 1A-1; and
8	(3)	insofar as relevant, the General Rules of Practice for the Superior and District Courts as authorized
9		by G.S. 7A-34 and found in the Rules Volume of the North Carolina General Statutes.
10	The rul	es of Civil Procedure and the General Rules of Practice for the Superior and District Courts are
11	hereby	ncorporated by reference for contested cases for which that the Board has authority to adopt rules
12	under G	.S. 150B-38(h). Such incorporations by reference shall automatically include any later amendments
13	and edit	ions of the incorporated matter.
14	(b) Declaratory	Rulings. In addition to the procedures set out in G.S. 150B-4, petitions for declaratory rulings shall
15	be submitted to t	he Board and shall contain:
16	(1)	the petitioner's name, address address, and telephone number;
17	(2)	the statute, rule, or both order to which the request relates;
18	(3)	all facts and information which are that the petitioner considers relevant to the request;
19	(4)	a concise statement of the manner in which petitioner has been aggrieved;
20	(5)	-a draft of the declaratory ruling sought by petitioner, if a specified outcome is sought by petitioner;
21	<del>(6)</del> <u>(5)</u>	practices likely presumed to be affected by the declaratory ruling; and
22	(7)	a list or description of persons likely to be affected by the declaratory ruling; and
23	<del>(8)</del> <u>(6)</u>	a statement as to whether the petitioner desires to present oral argument, not to exceed 30 minutes,
24		to the Board prior to its decision.
25	The Boa	ard shall ordinarily refuse to issue a declaratory ruling when:
26		(A) the petition does not comply with this subdivision; <u>Rule</u> ;
27		(B) the Board has previously issued a declaratory ruling on substantially similar the same
28		facts;
29		(C) the Board has previously issued a final agency decision in a contested case on
30		substantially similar the same facts;
31		(D) the facts underlying the request for a declaratory ruling were specifically considered at
32		the time of the adoption of the <u>a</u> rule <u>or order</u> in question; or
33		(E) the subject matter of the request is involved in pending litigation.
34	(c) Petitions Fo	r Rule-Making. In addition to the procedures set out in G.S. 150B-20, petitions for rule-making
35	shall be submitte	d to the Board and shall contain:
36	(1)	the petitioner's name, address address, and telephone number;

1	(2)	a draft of the proposed rule or rule change; adoption or amendment, unless the petition is for a
2		proposed rule repeal; and
3	(3)	-the reason for its proposal;
4	<u>(4) (3)</u>	the effect of the proposal on existing rules or decisions; rules.
5	(5)	data supporting the proposal;
6	(6)	practices likely to be affected by the proposal; and
7	(7)	a list or description of persons likely to be affected by the proposal.
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9	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B-3(f); 85B-8; G.S. 85B-3.1; 150B-4; 150B-14(a)(1),(c); 150B-18; 150B-20;
10		150B-38(h);
11		<i>Eff. November 1, 1984;</i>
12		Amended Eff. July 1, 1995; January 1, 1995; April 1, 1989;
13		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0201

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 5, can the application not be obtained from the Board's website? If so, why not state "... form prescribed by the Board, which may be obtained from the Board using the information in Rule .0102 of this Chapter."?

And I take it the form is being prescribed within the contents of this Rule?

On line 6, consider replacing "calls for" with "requires"

On lines 7 and 8, what is this information? Who determines if it is "necessary"?

In (a)(1), line 10, and elsewhere the term is used in the Rule, what is "clear"?

In (a)(5)(A), lines 21 and 26, what is "successful" here? Does your regulated public know?

On line 29, please hyphenate "above referenced"

In (b), Page 2, as well as (c) and (d), thank you for listing what is required in the forms. However, there is no need to restate what is in (a) verbatim. I suggest you replace this duplicative language in (b), (c), and (d) with "Each...shall make application on a form as set forth in Paragraph (a) of this Rule."

If you wish to retain the language in all of the places, please be sure to make the changes recommended to that language for (a) everywhere the language is used.

In (c)(5) and (6), Page 3, since Rule .0403 allows more than one sponsor, should the reference to the supervising licensee be made plural, like "of the licensed auctioneer(s)" or "the signature of each licensed auctioneer"?

In (c)(6), line 16, please insert a comma after "profession"

21 NCAC 04B .0201 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0201 APPLICATION FORMS

4 (a) Auctioneer. Each applicant for an auctioneer license shall complete an application form provided by the Board. 5 make application on a form prescribed by the Board and may obtain the required form upon request to the Board. 6 The application form calls for the applicant's name and address, the applicant's social security number, proof of the 7 applicant's identity, places of residence, education, prior auctioneering licenses, and other information necessary to 8 identify the applicant and determine the applicant's qualifications and fitness for licensure. This form shall be 9 submitted to the Executive Director Board and shall be accompanied by: 10 one passport type clear, forward facing, 2" x 2" color photograph of the applicant's head and (1) 11 shoulders taken within the previous six months for identification; statements of the results of a local criminal history records search by the clerk of superior court (or 12 (2)13 equivalent official in other states) in each county where the applicant has resided and maintained a 14 business within the immediate preceding 60 months (five years); 15 (3) (2) the completed fingerprint cards provided by the Board and the form signed by the applicant consenting to the check of the criminal history and to the use of fingerprints and other identifying 16 17 information; 18 (4) (3) a copy of the applicant's high school diploma or proof of equivalency; 19 the proper applicable fees, as required by set forth in 21 NCAC 04B .0202; and (5)(4)20  $\frac{(6)}{(5)}$ documentation of required auctioneer schooling or auctioneer experience, as follows: 21 (A) Applicants who base their application upon their successful completion of an approved a 22 school of auctioneering with its curriculum and instructors approved by the Board as set 23 forth in 21 NCAC 04B .0500 shall submit a photostatic copy of their diploma or certificate of successful completion. final transcript. An applicant shall have successfully 24 completed this school within the five years preceding the date of application or if If the 25 applicant has successfully completed this school more than the five years preceding the 26 27 date of his or her application, the applicant shall submit documentation verifying of the 28 applicant's active lawful participation in auctions within the two years preceding the date 29 of application. The above referenced participation in auctions is defined as 30 "Auctioneering" as set forth in G.S. 85B-1(8): G.S. 85B-1(8); 31 Applicants who base their application upon their successful completion of an (B) 32 apprenticeship shall submit a log which was maintained and completed during the 33 apprenticeship period which details the exact that lists the hours and dates on which when 34 they obtained apprenticeship experience, with each entry being verified and signed by their supervising auctioneer. auctioneer(s). A minimum of At least 100 hours of 35 36 experience during the apprenticeship two-year period shall be obtained. Not less than 25 37 of the total hours accumulated must shall be attributable to bid calling calling. and not

1	Not less than 50 hours shall be attributable to working as a ring person, dra	fting and
2	negotiating contracts, appraising evaluating merchandise, advertising, elerking	<u>clerking,</u>
3	and cashiering, with not less than five hours of accumulated experience docum	ented for
4	each category. activity. An apprentice who applies for an auctioneer license u	nder this
5	Part shall submit his or her application and supporting documentation and	obtain a
6	passing score on the auctioneer exam prior to the expiration of his or her a	pprentice
7	auctioneer license; and license.	
8	(7) Non resident applicants shall also submit a properly completed "Designation of Agent fo	r Service
9	of Process Form" with notarized signature and notarial seal affixed.	
10	(b) Non-Resident Reciprocal Auctioneer. Each non-resident applicant for an auctioneer license, license wh	o applies
11	for a North Carolina license pursuant to G.S. 85B-5 shall complete an application form provided by the Boa	<del>rd.</del> <u>make</u>
12	application on a form prescribed by the Board and may obtain the required form upon request to the Board	ard. The
13	application form calls for the applicant's name and address, the applicant's social security number, pro	of of the
14	applicant's identity, places of residence, education, prior auctioneering licenses, and other information nec	essary to
15	identify the applicant and determine the applicant's qualifications and fitness for licensure. This form	shall be
16	submitted to the Executive Director Board and shall be accompanied by:	
17	(1) one passport type clear, forward facing, 2" x 2" color photograph of the applicant's	head and
18	shoulders taken within the previous six months for identification;	
19	(2) statements of the results of a local criminal history records search by the clerk of superior	<del>court (or</del>
20	equivalent official) in each county where the applicant has resided and maintained a	business
21	within the immediate preceding 60 months (five years);	
22	(3) (2) the completed fingerprint cards provided by the Board and the form signed by the	applicant
23	consenting to the check of the criminal history and to the use of fingerprints and other id	entifying
24	information;	
25	(4) (3) a copy of the applicant's high school diploma or proof of equivalency;	
26	(5) (4) the proper applicable fees, as required by set forth in 21 NCAC 04B .0202;	
27	(6) (5) a statement of good standing from the licensing board or Commission of each jurisdiction	on where
28	the applicant holds an auctioneer, apprentice auctioneer auctioneer, or auction firm license	e; and
29	(7) (6) a properly completed "Designation of Agent for Service of Process Form" Irrevocable co	onsent of
30	the applicant that service to the Board shall be sufficient service of process for actions ag	gainst the
31	applicant by a resident of this State arising out of his or her auctioneering activities with	
32	signature and notarial seal affixed.	
33	(c) Apprentice Auctioneer. Each applicant for an apprentice auctioneer license shall complete an applicat	tion form
34	provided by the Board. make application on a form prescribed by the Board and may obtain the required for	
35	request to the Board. The application form calls for the applicant's name and address, the applicant's social	-
36	number, proof of the applicant's identity, places of residence, education, prior auctioneering licenses, a	

1	information nece	essary to identify the applicant and determine the applicant's qualifications and fitness for licensure.
2	This form shall b	be submitted to the Executive Director Board and shall be accompanied by:
3	(1)	one passport type clear, forward facing, 2" x 2" color photograph of the applicant's head and
4		shoulders taken within the previous six months for identification;
5	(2)	-statements of the results of a local criminal history records search by the clerk of superior court (or
6		equivalent official) in each county where the applicant has resided and maintained a business
7		within the immediate preceding 60 months (five years);
8	<del>(3)</del> <u>(2)</u>	the completed fingerprint cards provided by the Board and the form signed by the applicant
9		consenting to the check of the criminal history and to the use of fingerprints and other identifying
10		information;
11	<u>(4) (3)</u>	a copy of the applicant's high school diploma or proof of equivalency;
12	<del>(5)</del> <u>(4)</u>	the proper applicable fees, as required by set forth in 21 NCAC 04B .0202;
13	<del>(6)</del> <u>(5)</u>	the signature, as designated on the apprentice applicant form, of the licensed auctioneer who will
14		be supervising the apprentice auctioneer; and
15	<del>(7) <u>(6)</u></del>	a written statement of the proposed supervisor's background and experience in the auction
16		profession to include including the number and types of auctions conducted or participated in
17		annually; and annually, as set forth in 21 NCAC 04B .0403.
18	(8)	if applicant is a non resident, a properly completed "Designation of Agent for Service of Process
19		Form" with notarized signature and notarial seal affixed.
20	(d) Auction Fir	ms. An applicant for an auction firm shall be a principal within the firm. Each applicant for an
21	auction firm lic	ense shall complete an application form provided by the Board. make application on a form
22	prescribed by the	e Board and may obtain the required form upon request to the Board. The application form calls for
23	the applicant's n	ames and addresses, social security numbers, proof of identity, places of residence, education, prior
24	auctioneering lic	enses, and other information necessary to identify the applicant, all principals of the firm, proposed
25	designated perso	ons for the firm, and to determine the firm's qualifications and fitness for licensure. This form shall
26	be submitted to t	the Executive Director Board and shall be accompanied by:
27	(1)	-statements of the results of a local criminal history records search by the clerk of superior court (or
28		equivalent official) in each county where any principal and designated person of the auction firm
29		has resided and maintained a business within the immediate preceding 60 months (five years);
30	<del>(2)</del> <u>(1)</u>	each of the principal's and proposed designated person's of the auction firm completed fingerprint
31		cards provided by the Board and the form signed by each consenting to the check of the criminal
32		history and to the use of fingerprints and other identifying information;
33	<del>(3)</del> <u>(2)</u>	a copy of each principal's and proposed designated person's high school diploma or proof of
34		equivalency;
35	<u>(4) (3)</u>	the proper applicable fees, as required by set forth in 21 NCAC 04B .0202;
36	<del>(5)</del> <u>(4)</u>	a certified copy of any applicable Articles of Incorporation or Partnership Agreement; and

1	<del>(6)</del> <u>(5)</u>	a statement of good standing from the licensing board or Commission of each jurisdiction where
2		the applicant firm and any principal and proposed designated person of such firm holds an
3		auctioneer license of any type; and type.
4	(7)	if applicant firm is a non resident, a properly completed "Designation of Agent for Service of
5		Process Form" (one each for the auction firm and for each principal and designated person of the
6		firm) with notarized signature and notarial seal affixed and, if a corporation, the corporate seal and
7		corporate secretary's signature affixed.
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9	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B-1; 85B-3.1; <del>85B-4(d); 85B-5</del> ; 85B-3.2; <u>85B-4; 85B-5;</u>
10		Eff. November 1, 1984;
11		Amended Eff. April 1, 1996; January 1, 1995; June 1, 1991;
12		Temporary Amendment Eff. January 1, 2000;
13		Amended Eff. May 1, 2006; April 1, 2001;
14		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0202

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), so that I'm clear – the required documents are what are set forth in Rule .0201?

In (b)(2) so that I'm clear – this is an applicant who served as an apprentice who is now applying to be licensed as an auctioneer? If so, consider mirroring the language in (b)(1), "New auctioneer license for an applicant who served an apprenticeship"

If that is not who is contemplated in (b)(2), then what is the difference between (b)(2) and (b)(4)?

In (b)(11), I take it this is the amount set by DPS and being remitted by the Board to DPS pursuant to G.S. 85B-3.2?

In (d), Page 2, line 4, I believe you mean "may" instead of "shall"

21 NCAC 04B .0202 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0202 FILING AND FEES

4 (a) Properly completed Completed applications must shall be filed (received, not postmarked) received in the Board 5 office at least seven days prior to an established a published Board meeting date, or in the case of an application for 6 auctioneer examination, at least 10 days prior to a scheduled examination as published on the Board's website, and 7 must shall be accompanied by all required documents. 8 (b) License fees are as follows: 9 (1)New auctioneer license for an applicant who did not serve an apprenticeship \$250.00 10 This includes a \$150.00 annual license fee; \$50.00 application fee; and 11 \$50.00 examination fee. 12 (2)New auctioneer license for an apprentice auctioneer \$200.00 13 This includes a \$150.00 annual license fee; and \$50.00 examination fee. 14 Renewal of auctioneer license \$150.00 (3) 15 (4)New apprentice auctioneer license \$150.00 16 This includes a \$100.00 license fee and a \$50.00 application fee. 17 (5) Renewal of apprentice auctioneer license \$100.00 18 (6) New auction firm license (no examination) \$200.00 19 This includes a \$150.00 annual license fee; and \$50.00 application fee. 20 (7)New auction firm license (examination) \$250.00 21 This includes a \$150.00 annual license fee; \$50.00 application fee; 22 and \$50.00 examination fee. 23 (8) Renewal of an auction firm license \$150.00 (9) 24 Application and processing fee for conversion of non-resident reciprocal license to \$ 50.00 25 in-state license 26 (10)Reinstatement of lapsed license or late fee \$ 50.00 27 (11)Resident fingerprint card background check fee \$ 14.00 28 Applicants who have been continuous residents of North Carolina for the five 29 years preceding the date of application shall be required to have only a State 30 background check. \$ 38.00 31 (12)(11) Non resident fingerprint Fingerprint card background check fee Applicants who have not been continuous residents of North Carolina for the five 32 33 years preceding the date of application shall be required to have both a State and 34 Federal background check. 35 (c) The renewal fee for a non-resident reciprocal licensee under G.S. 85B-5 shall be calculated in the same manner

36 as the initial application fee pursuant to G.S. 85B-6.

1 (d) Fees may be paid in the form of a cash or a check, cashier's check, certified eheck check, or money order made 2 payable to the North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board. Checks drawn on escrow or trust accounts shall not be 3 accepted. Personal checks may be accepted for payment of renewal fees. License renewal fees and reinstatement of 4 license fees shall be paid by credit card or debit card only when a license renewal fee (and when applicable, a 5 reinstatement of license fee) is submitted by the licensee through the Board's website. 6 7 Authority G.S. 85B 3.2; G.S. 85B-3.2(g); 85B-4.1; 85B-5(i); 85B-6; History Note: 8 Eff. November 1, 1984; 9 Amended Eff. April 1, 2001; January 1, 2000; April 1, 1996; January 1, 1995; April 1, 1989; 10 Temporary Amendment Eff. October 19, 2001; 11 Temporary Amendment Expired August 12, 2002; Amended Eff. April 1, 2003; 12 13 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0203

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

On line 6, please correct the citation to G.S. 105-249.2 (there is only one hyphen, not two).

1 21 NCAC 04B .0203 is adopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

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# 3 <u>21 NCAC 04B .0203</u> EXTENSIONS FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES

- 4 The Board shall waive the license renewal fee and shall grant an extension of time for up to one year for completing
- 5 and reporting continuing education credits for those licensees currently licensed and in good standing with the Board
- 6 who are serving in the Armed Services of the United States, and to whom G.S. 105-249-2 grants an extension of
- 7 <u>time to file a tax return.</u>
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9 <u>History Note:</u> Authority G.S. 93B-15;

Eff. May 1, 2020.

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1 21 NCAC 04B .0301 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

# 3 21 NCAC 04B .0301 SUBJECT MATTER

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4 (a) The auctioneer license examination shall test the applicant's knowledge of the following required subjects:

5	(1)	a practical and working knowledge of the auction business including fundamentals of	
6		auctioneering, conduct of auctions, auctioneering ethics, contract drafting, bid calling, basic	
7		mathematical computations and percentages, advertising, settlement statements, and laws,	
8		regulations, laws and rules that relate to the auctioneering profession;	
9	(2)	the provisions of the licensing law; and	
10	(3)	the Rules of the Board. rules of this Subchapter.	
11	11 (b) The auction firm license examinations shall test the applicants knowledge of the following;		
12	(1)	the provisions of the licensing law; and	
13	(2)	the Rules of the Board. rules of this Subchapter.	
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15	History Note:	Authority <del>G.S. 85B-4(d)(g);</del> <u>G.S. 85B-4(d)); 85B-4(g);</u>	
16		Eff. November 1, 1984;	
17		Amended Eff. May 1, 2006; January 1, 1995;	
18		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.	

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

On line 5, please state "he or she"

Consider combining the sentences on lines 5-8 by deleting the language on line 6 "a refund of the annual auctioneer or apprentice license fee will be made" and just state "If the applicant again does not appear or fails to pass this examination, the Board shall refund the licensure fee, but not the application or examination fee."

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- 21 NCAC 04B .0302 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 856, as follows:

#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0302 RE-EXAMINATION/REFUND OF FEES

4 If the applicant does not appear at the initial examination for which he or she has been scheduled or fails to pass 5 such examination, he will be re-scheduled for the next scheduled examination. If the applicant again does not 6 appear or fails to pass this examination, a refund of the annual auctioneer or apprentice license fee will be made. No 7 refund of the application or examination fee is allowed. The Board shall refund the licensure fee, but not the 8 application or examination fee. A complete new application and proper appropriate fees are shall be required if the 9 person wishes to reapply. 10 11 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4; 85B-6; 12 Eff. November 1, 1984; 13 Amended Eff. June 1, 1991; 14 Temporary Amendment Eff. January 1, 2000; 15 Amended Eff. April 1, 2001; 16 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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- 21 NCAC 04B .0303 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 856, as follows:

# 3 21 NCAC 04B .0303 EXAM: REVIEW: PAPERS AND CONTENTS

4 (a) Any applicant who fails to obtain a passing score (75 percent or better) of 75 percent or higher on an

examination may request and receive an appointment with the Executive Director Board staff to review their his or
 <u>her</u> examination.

- 7 (b) All examination papers shall remain the property of the Board. The contents thereof shall not be divulged,
- 8 except by express written authorization of the Board.
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   History Note:
   Authority G.S. 85B-4; <u>93B-8;</u>

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   Eff. November 1, 1984;

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   Amended Eff. June 1, 1991;

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   Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0401

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (b), is the intent of this Paragraph for the individual to carry the card whenever auctioneering activities are being conducted, or only for the designated persons at the firms? If it's former, consider rewriting the sentence to state "The pocket card shall be carried when auctioneering activities are being conducted by the licensee, and in the case of auction firms, each of the designated persons, and shall be available for inspection..."

#### 21 NCAC 04B .0401 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

- 3 21 NCAC 04B .0401 LICENSE NUMBER: DISPLAY OF LICENSE AND POCKET CARD
- 4 (a) When being licensed each individual or firm shall be issued a license number which remains solely his. The
- 5 Board shall issue to each individual or firm a non-transferable license number. Should that If the number be is
- 6 retired for any reason (such such as death, failure to continue in the auction business, or failure to renew his or her
- 7 license, or any other reason) that number shall not be reissued back to the individual or the firm or to any other
- 8 individual or firm. the Board shall not reissue the number.
- 9 (b) A pocket card shall be issued by the Executive Director giving Board with the auctioneer, apprentice auctioneer
- 10 <u>auctioneer</u>, or auction firm's name, license number <u>number</u>, and date of expiration. The pocket card must shall be
- 11 carried by the licensee, and in the case of auction firms each of the designated person(s), at all times when
- 12 auctioneering activities are being conducted and shall be available for inspection by the Executive Director or
- 13 designated agent of the Board. An auction firm shall display its license in a prominent place upon its premises, so as
- 14 to be visible for inspection by patrons of the firm.
- 15 (c) An auction firm shall display its license in its premises, so as to be visible for inspection by patrons of the firm.
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17 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-3.1; 85B-4;

- Eff. November 1, 1984;
- 19 Amended Eff. May 1, 2006; April 1, 2001; January 1, 1995; April 1, 1989;
- 20 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 6, I assume the fee is what is required in Rule .0202. But what are the records and documentation that are required? Are those set forth in a Rule that you could cross-reference here?

On line 6, I think "promulgated" is unnecessary here and can be deleted.

In (b), line 9, please delete the comma after "information"

And on line 9, I don't see that Paragraph (a) requests documents, but instead requires it. I suggest replacing "requested pursuant to" with "required by"

In (d), line 12, what is your authority to state that licensed lapsed or suspended in excess of 24 months are not renewable? G.S. 85B-4(e) states:

(e) Each license issued under this Chapter shall be valid from July 1 of the year issued, or from the date issued, whichever is later, to the following June 30 unless sooner revoked or suspended pursuant to this Chapter or a rule of the Commission. A license may be renewed for one year at a time, except an apprentice auctioneer license may not be renewed for more than three times. No examination shall be required for renewal of an auctioneer license if the application for renewal is made within 24 months of the expiration of the previous license.

The statute does not forbid renewal after 24 months, but instead says that an examination may be required to renew it after that point.

On line 14, I suggest replacing "then existing" with "in effect at that time."

On line 17, what is "inactive" status? Does your regulated public know?

21 NCAC 04B .0402 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

- 3 21 NCAC 04B .0402 LICENSE RENEWAL
- 4 (a) Any licensee desiring seeking the renewal of a license which that is in good standing shall apply for same and
- 5 shall submit the required fees and such records or documentation requested by the Executive Director fees, records,
- 6 and documentation required to verify the licensee's compliance with G.S. 85B and the rules promulgated in this
- 7 Chapter. All licenses expire on June 30 each year.
- 8 (b) Applications for renewal of licenses will shall only be processed by the Board upon receipt of the required fee
- 9 and any records, documents, or information, requested pursuant to Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- 10 (c) Any person or entity who engages in any auctioneering activities governed by the auctioneers law while the
- 11 license is lapsed will shall be subject to the penalties pursuant to G.S. 85B-9.
- 12 (d) Licenses lapsed or suspended in excess of 24 months shall not be renewable. Persons or firms whose license
- 13 has been lapsed or suspended in excess of 24 months and who desire to be licensed shall apply for a new license and
- 14 shall meet all the requirements then existing. Persons or firms whose license has been lapsed or suspended in excess
- 15 of 24 months and who desire to be licensed are shall be exempt from the auctioneer school or the apprenticeship
- 16 requirements should if the continuing education requirements be have been met for all lapsed, suspended,
- 17 and inactive years.
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- 19 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-3.1; 85B-4;
  - *Eff. November 1, 1984;*
- 21 Amended Eff. April 1, 2001; January 1, 1995; April 1, 1989;
- 22 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0403

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (c), line 19, what is the difference between "training, supervision, and guidance"?

In (f), I am only asking – will the invalid status occur if the apprentice has more than one supervisor? I realize that Page 2, lines 5-8 addresses more than one supervisor, but that appears to only apply if the apprentice and supervisor terminate the relationship, not if the supervisor loses his or her license.

In (f), Page 2, line 6, consider replacing "showing" with "stating" or "specifying"

#### 21 NCAC 04B .0403 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0403 APPRENTICE AUCTIONEER LICENSE

4 (a) An apprentice auctioneer's license is shall be valid only while he or she is associated with and supervised by a 5 licensed auctioneer assigned approved by the Board. In order to be assigned approved by the Board as a supervisor, 6 the Board must shall receive a written notice, signed by the prospective supervisor and the apprentice, requesting 7 that the licensed auctioneer be assigned approved as a supervisor for the apprentice. Upon receipt of such a request, 8 the Board shall evaluate review the requested assignment approval. and such The requested assignment may 9 approval shall be denied by the Board if the prospective supervisor fails to possess a minimum of five years of 10 active experience in the auctioneering profession or an equivalent combination of training and experience or has 11 committed any act which constitutes grounds for that resulted in license suspension or revocation under the rules of 12 this Subchapter or under G.S. 85B. Upon termination of the association between the supervisor and the apprentice, 13 the supervisor shall immediately notify the Board in writing, showing the date and cause of termination. 14 (b) The supervising auctioneer shall be on the premises of the sale location and supervise the apprentice auctioneer 15 at any and all times that an apprentice auctioneer is engaged in bid calling. Additionally, the supervising auctioneer

shall supervise the apprentice on a regular basis and ensure that the apprentice auctioneer conforms with the

17 auctioneer law and Rules adopted by the Board. the rules of this Subchapter.

(c) Any licensed auctioneer who undertakes the sponsorship supervision of an apprentice auctioneer shall ensure
 that-provide the apprentice receives with training, supervision, and guidance in the following:

- (1) A <u>a practical and working knowledge of the auction business including fundamentals of</u>
   auctioneering, <u>conduct of auctions, auctioneering ethics</u>, contract drafting, bid calling, basic
   mathematical computations, advertising, and settlement statements;
- 23 (2) The <u>the</u> provisions of the licensing law;

24 (3) The the Rules of the Board; rules of this Subchapter; and

(4) The the preparation and maintenance of written agreements, record books, and other sales records
 as required by law. G.S. 85B-7.

(d) Apprentices are prohibited from conducting or contracting shall not conduct or contract to conduct any auction without the prior express written consent of the sponsor. supervisor(s). No sponsor supervisor shall authorize an apprentice to conduct or contract to conduct an auction, to act as principal auctioneer auctioneer, or handle any funds related to an auction unless the sponsor supervisor has determined that the apprentice has received adequate the training to do so. An apprentice auctioneer may work under more than one Board approved Board-approved

32 licensed auctioneer at any given time.

33 (e) The sponsor supervisor(s) shall ensure that the apprentice complies with all of the laws and Rules as they apply

34 to any <del>auction related</del> <u>auction-related</u> transaction approved by the <u>sponsor</u>. <u>supervisor</u>.

35 (f) An apprentice auctioneer shall notify the Board, in writing, immediately upon within 10 days of termination of

- 36 his <u>or her</u> association with his <u>or her</u> supervising auctioneer, at which time his <u>or her</u> license shall be <del>immediately</del>
- 37 held placed in an invalid status. If an apprentice auctioneer's supervising auctioneer's license has been suspended,

1 suspended or revoked, or placed on probation the apprentice auctioneer's license shall be immediately held placed in 2 an invalid status. Once in an invalid status, an apprentice auctioneer shall not conduct or contract to conduct any 3 auction. If an apprentice's license is invalid greater than 90 days due to a lack of an approved sponsor, the 4 apprentice upon securing an approved sponsor shall be required to submit a late reinstatement fee as set forth in 21 5 NCAC 04B .0202(b)(10). Upon termination of the association between the supervisor and the apprentice, both 6 licensees shall notify the Board in writing within 10 days, showing the date and cause of termination. At this time 7 the apprentice auctioneer's license shall be placed in an invalid status, unless at least one Board-approved supervisor 8 remains in place for the apprentice. 9 10 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 85B-3.1; 85B-4; 85B-7; 11 Eff. November 1, 1984; 12 Amended Eff. April 1, 2001; April 1, 1996; January 1, 1995; June 1, 1991; 13 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0404

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a)(3), line 8, please either add an "is" before "given" or delete the "that" before "is returned"

Please end (a)(4) on line 10 with a semicolon, not a period.

In (a)(8), please compare this language in the mandate to the requirements of 93B-8.1(b), which was added by SL 2019-91. You may need to change the language to "being convicted of a crime that meets the requirements of G.S. 93B-8.1(b)" when related to denials.

In (a)(11), line 27, please replace "evidences" with "shows"

On line 28, please insert a comma after "fitness"

In (a)(12), line 31, what are those behaviors "established in the auctioneering profession"? How does one know what those are? Are these similar to the ethics referred to in other rules?

In (a)(15), line 35, please insert a comma after "honesty"

On line 36, to mirror (a)(11) and (a)(12), I believe you should change "Rule" to "Subparagraph" and please insert a comma after the word.

On line 36, please put the quotation marks in front of "a lack"

On line 37, please replace "evidenced" with "shown"

1	21 NCAC 04B.	0404 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:
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3	21 NCAC 04B	.0404 GROUNDS FOR LICENSE DENIAL OR DISCIPLINE
4	(a) The Board	may assess a civil penalty in accordance with G.S. 85B-3.1(b) or deny, suspend, or revoke a license,
5	or issue a letter	of reprimand to a licensee, upon any of the following grounds:
6	(1)	violation of any provision of G.S. 85B;
7	(2)	violation of any <del>provision of the rules under 21 NCAC, 04B;</del> rule in this Subchapter;
8	(3)	a check given to the Board in payment of required fees which that is returned unpaid;
9	(4)	allowing an unlicensed person (auctioneer) to call a bid at a sale; sale, except as authorized in 21
10		<u>NCAC 04B .0506.</u>
11	(5)	auctioneering at an unlicensed auction firm sale;
12	(6)	failure to properly, completely and fully complete an application or making any false statement or
13		giving any false information in connection with an application for a license, renewal renewal, or
14		reinstatement of a license including:
15		(A) failure to completely cooperate with any investigation; or
16		(B) making any false statement or giving any false information in connection with any
17		investigation by the Board or the Board's designee; staff;
18	(7)	being adjudicated mentally incompetent by a court;
19	(8)	committing being convicted of a crime the circumstances of which substantially relate to the
20		auctioneering profession;
21	(9)	violating violation of any federal or state statute or rule which statute, rule, or regulation that
22		relates to the auctioneering profession;
23	(10)	practicing the profession for which the holder has a license individual is licensed while the
24		holder's his or her ability to practice was impaired by alcohol or other drugs or physical or mental
25		disability or disease;
26	(11)	being incompetent in practice. A licensee has been In this Subparagraph, "being incompetent in
27		practice practice" means if the licensee has engaged in conduct which that evidences a lack of
28		ability, fitness or knowledge to apply principles or skills of the auctioneering profession;
29	(12)	engaging in unprofessional conduct. In this Paragraph Subparagraph, "unprofessional conduct"
30		means the violation of licensee has violated any standard of professional behavior which that
31		through professional experience has become established in the auctioneering profession;
32	(13)	obtaining or attempting to obtain compensation by fraud or deceit;
33	(14)	violating violation of any order of the Auctioneer Licensing Board requiring a licensee to comply
34		with any provision of the Board's law or administrative rules;
35	(15)	failure to possess truth, honesty and integrity sufficient to be entitled to the high regard and
36		confidence of the public. In this paragraph Rule a lack of truth, honesty and integrity "truth,
37		honesty, and integrity" shall be evidenced by proof that the applicant or licensee is in violation of

1		other provisions of the Board's law and administrative rules which that demonstrate that the
2		applicant or licensee fails to meet this standard; or
3	(16)	failure to properly make the disclosures required by 21 NCAC 04B .0405.
4	(b) When app	blying the requirements of Rule .0404(a) Paragraph (a) of this Rule to auction firms or their
5	applications, the	e requirements shall apply to the firm, all the principals, and all of the designated persons of the firm.
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7	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B-3.1; <del>85B-8(a)(1);</del> <u>85B-8;</u>
8		Eff. November 1, 1984;
9		Amended Eff. January 1, 1995;
10		Temporary Amendment Eff. January 1, 2000;
11		Amended Eff. April 1, 2001;
12		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 6, what is an "essential" element? Does your regulated public know?

On line 8, please insert a comma after "charge"

In (c), line 20, please insert a comma after "apprentice auctioneer"

- 1 21 NCAC 04B .0405 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 856, as follows:
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#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0405 INVOLVEMENT IN COURT ACTION OR ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

(a) All auctioneers, apprentice auctioneers auctioneers, and auction firms, including their principals and designated
person(s), shall report to the Board any and all criminal arrests for, charges of of, or convictions of a misdemeanor
that has as an essential element dishonesty, deceit, fraud fraud, or misrepresentations, misrepresentation, or any
arrests, charges charges, or convictions of any felony. Convictions include findings of guilt, guilty pleas, and pleas
of nolo contendere. The Board must shall receive written notice of any such arrest, charge or criminal conviction
within 30 days of the occurrence of any or all of these events.

(b) All auctioneers, apprentice auctioneers auctioneers, and auction firms, including their principals and designated person(s), shall report to the Board any and all civil suits involving them that are based upon any allegation of gross negligence, dishonesty, fraud, misrepresentation misrepresentation, or incompetency, or that in any way involve an auction sale or a transaction related to an auction matter or auctioneering. The Board must shall receive written

notice of any such civil suit within 30 days of the date the complaint in the suit is served on the defendant in the action, or the date a pleading containing one or more of these allegations is served on a party.

(c) All auctioneers, apprentice auctioneers auctioneers, and auction firms, including their principals and designated person(s), shall report to the Board any and all administrative proceedings which are commenced against them which that involve any potential revocation or suspension of, or other disciplinary action against, any auction license or auctioneer license that they hold in another state. The Board must shall receive written notice of any such administrative proceeding within 30 days of the date the auctioneer, apprentice auctioneer or auction firm, including its principals and designated person(s), is notified of the administrative proceeding.

23 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-3.1; 85B-4;
24 Eff. November 1, 1984;
25 Amended Eff. April 1, 2001; January 1, 1995; April 1, 1989;
26 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.
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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 6, can the application not be obtained from the Board's website? If so, why not state "... form prescribed by the Board, which may be obtained from the Board using the information in Rule .0102 of this Chapter."?

And I take it the form is being prescribed within the contents of this Rule?

On line 6, consider replacing "calls for" with "requires"

On lines 8 and 9, what is this information? Who determines if it is "necessary"?

In (b), line 10, please delete "above"

On line 11, state "form set forth in Paragraph (a) of this Rule."

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- 21 NCAC 04B .0501 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 856, as follows:
- 3 21 NCAC 04B .0501 APPLICATION FOR COURSE APPROVAL
  - 4 (a) Schools of auctioneering seeking accreditation approval of its curriculum and instructors by the Board shall
  - 5 complete a Board approved application form. make application on a form prescribed by the Board and may obtain
  - 6 the required form upon request to the Board. The application form calls for the name, address, and other contact
  - 7 information for the school, curriculum description, a list of instructors, a description of each instructor's education
  - 8 and experience, and other information necessary to determine the fitness of the school's curriculum and instructors
  - 9 for approval. This form shall be submitted to the Board.
  - 10 (b) The school shall notify the Board within 30 days of any change in the information required by the above
  - application form. This requirement shall continue as long as the school school's curriculum and instructors remains
  - 12 <u>remain</u> approved by the Board.
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- 14 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 85B-3.1; 85B-4(d);
  - Eff. November 1, 1984;
- 16 Amended Eff. April 1, 2001; March 1, 1995;
- 17 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

End (a)(1), line 6, with a colon, rather than a semicolon.

On line 17, please insert an "and" at the end of the line, after "Setup;"

In (e), Page 2, line 11, Rule .0404(a)(15) defines "lack of truth, honesty, and integrity" not the term you have here.

So, please delete "high" altogether and state "The instructors shall exhibit truth, honesty, and integrity as set forth in Rule 21 NCAC 04B .0404(a)(15)"

In (f)(2), will the school determine what is "necessary and beneficial"?

1	21 NCAC 04B .0	0502 is readopted	as published in 34:10 NCl	R, pages 839 - 856, as follows:
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3	21 NCAC 04B.	0502 REQU	IREMENTS FOR APPR	OVAL/MINIMUM STANDARDS
4	(a) In order to b	e accepted as an a	approved school, and in or	<del>der to remain approved, the</del> <u>The</u> course curriculum <del>must</del>
5	<u>shall</u> contain clas	ssroom instruction	n in the following subjects	for the minimum number of hours shown:
6	(1)	Essential Core C	Curriculum (minimum 50 h	iours);
7		<del>16</del>	Bid Calling, Voice Cont	rol, Proper Breathing Techniques,
8			and Use and Sequence o	f Numbers;
9		4 Hours -	Advertising; Advertising	and Marketing;
10		8 Hours -	Auctioneers Law and Ru	les and Regulations;
11		2 Hours -	Uniform Commercial Co	ode and Bulk Transfers;
12		2 Hours -	Drafting and Negotiating	g Contracts;
13		2 Hours -	Closing Statements and	Settlements;
14		8 Hours -	Accounting and Mathem	natics;
15		1 <u>2</u> Hour Hours	- Auctioneering Ethics;	
16		2 Hours -	Handling Sale Proceeds	and Escrow Accounts;
17		2 Hours -	Auction Preparation and	Setup;
18		3 Hours -	Review and Testing (En	d of Course).
19	(2)	Supplemental Ir	nstruction Areas (minimum	30 hours):
20		Antiques		Heavy Equipment
21		Real Estate		Automobiles
22		Technology		Cattle and Livestock
23		Environmental	Issues	Public Speaking
24		Computers		Estate Sales
25		Firearms		Appraising
26		Foreclosure and	Bankruptcy Sales	Sales Tax Requirements
27		Art, Rugs, Jewe	lry	Hygiene and Personal Appearance
28		Body Language		Ring Work
29		Farm Machiner	y	Consignment Auctions
30		Cyber Security	and Client Property Protec	tion
31		Minimum hour	s are not required in indi	vidual supplemental subjects, however, all topics must
32		Each Supplement	ntal Instruction Area shall	be addressed in the school.
33	(3)	Courses School	s that include students that	will have expressed to the school an interest to become
34		North Carolina	applicants must shall prov	vide a minimum of 2 hours of instruction on the North
35		Carolina Auctio	oneers Law and Rules, G.	S. 85B and 21 NCAC 04B. This instruction shall be
36		included within	the minimum required 8	hours instruction of Auctioneers Law and Rules and
37		Regulations.		

1 (b) Students attending an approved course must shall attend and successfully complete a minimum of 80 hours of 2 classroom instruction according to the list of subjects and minimum hours of instruction in each subject specified in 3 Paragraph (a) of this Rule. An hour of creditable instruction is defined as 50 minutes of classroom instruction or 4 practical exercise accompanied by a 10 minute break. 5 (c) Each course offered must school's curriculum shall include instruction by a minimum of five different 6 instructors, at least two of whom must shall be professional auctioneers. Regardless of the total number of hours 7 taught by any given instructor, no more than 20 hours of an individual's instruction may be counted to satisfy the 8 requirements of Paragraph (a) of this Rule. 9 (d) The school shall establish standards for all persons who instruct in an approved school with minimum training 10 or experience, or a combination thereof, in the particular field in which they are instructing. 11 (e) The instructors shall be truthful, honest, and of high integrity as defined in 21 NCAC 04B .0404(a)(15). 12 (e) (f) The school shall provide or make available suitable facilities, equipment, materials materials, and supplies 13 necessary for the course, specifically including: 14 a comfortable, well lighted and ventilated climate-controlled classroom with a seating capacity (1) 15 sufficient to accommodate all students; and 16 (2)audio-visual equipment and other instructional devices and aids necessary and beneficial to the 17 delivery of effective training. 18 19 Authority G.S. 85B-3.1; 85B-4(d); History Note: 20 Eff. November 1, 1984; 21 Amended Eff. May 1, 2006; April 1, 2001; March 1, 1995; 22 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0503

## DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT: Wednesday, April 8, 2020

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In the History Note, please delete the citation to G.S. 85B-3(f), as that law was repealed in 1999.

21 NCAC 04B .0503 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0503 CERTIFICATION OF COURSE COMPLETION

4 Schools shall furnish each student who successfully completes their his or her course an official certification of

5 graduation or diploma <u>a transcript</u> containing the student's name, the date the course was completed <u>completed</u>,

6 and the total number of hours attended and successfully completed by that student. For successful completion of

7 a course, students must successfully complete a written final examination administered by the school.

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9 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 85B-3(f); 85B-4(d);

- 10 *Eff. November 1, 1984;*
- 11 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0504

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (2), please state "for each student, the names, address(es), and numbers of hours completed;"

In the History Note, please delete the citation to G.S. 85B-3(f), as that law was repealed in 1999.

1	21 NCAC 04B.	0504 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:	
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3	21 NCAC 04B .	0504 RECORDS MUST BE MAINTAINED	
4	Each school shall maintain, maintain for five years, and make available upon request of the Board, Board or its		
5	designee, staff, records containing the following information:		
6	(1)	the dates, times of instruction, and location of every course offered;	
7	(2)	the names names, and addresses, and the number of hours attended and successfully completed,	
8		and grade on the final written examination completed of each student;	
9	(3)	a list of all instructors used by the school, the qualifications of each, and their addresses; and	
10	(4)	for each course offered, the names of all instructors used, the subject(s) taught, the number of	
11		hours that each instructor devoted to each subject, and the dates and times of such the	
12		instruction.	
13 14	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B-3(f); 85B-4(d);	
15		Eff. November 1, 1984;	
16		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.	

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 7, I believe "two-year" should be hyphenated.

In the History Note, please delete the citation to G.S. 85B-3(f), as that law was repealed in 1999.

1 21 NCAC 04B .0505 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

# 321 NCAC 04B .0505GROUNDSFORAPPROVAL:APPROVAL,DENIAL,SUSPENSION4SUSPENSION, OR REVOCATION

(a) The approval of a school school's curriculum and interfactors by the Board shall be valid for a period of two
 years. Each approved school approval shall be evaluated for reapproval by the Board prior to the expiration of

7 the two year period.

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(b) The Board may deny, suspend suspend, or revoke the approval of any school school's curriculum and
instructors when it finds that the school has failed to meet or to continuously maintain any requirement, standard
or procedure requirement of this Section. Additionally, the The Board may deny, suspend suspend, or revoke the
approval of any school school's curriculum and instructors upon a finding that any information required under
this Section was knowingly falsified or misrepresented.

History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-3(f); 85B-4(d);
 Eff. November 1, 1984;
 Amended Eff. April 1, 1996;
 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0506

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

On line 8, what is "direct supervision" here? Does your regulated public know?

In the History Note, please delete the citation to G.S. 85B-3(f), as that law was repealed in 1999.

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21 NCAC 04B .0506 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0506 ALLOWING UNLICENSED BID CALLERS: EXCEPTION

4 The only exception to allowing an unlicensed bid caller in the State of North Carolina will be in the case of a person

5 enrolled in a class at an approved school of auctioneering who, for the purpose of training and receiving instruction,

6 may do so <u>A person enrolled in a class at a school of auctioneering with Board-approved curriculum and instructors</u>

7 may call bids without a license if it is done for the purpose of training and receiving instruction. The bid calling by

8 an unlicensed individual shall be done under the direct supervision of a licensed auctioneer who is also an

9 instructor in the school and who further assumes full and complete responsibility for the activities of the student

- 10 in the matter involving bid calling.
- 1112 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 85B-3(f); 85B-4(d);
  - Eff. November 1, 1984;
- 14 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0601

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (b), line 9, (c), line 14, and (d), line 19, there is no .0201(d)(6) or (7) anymore. Please update the cross-references.

#### 21 NCAC 04B .0601 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

- 2 3 21 NCAC 04B .0601 CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR BUSINESS NAME OR OWNERSHIP 4 (a) All licensees shall notify the Board in writing of each change or addition of residence or business address 5 address, (including including mailing address) address, and change of trade name, assumed name, or combination of 6 names under which the licensee conducts business related to auctions. 7 (b) In the case of a corporate license, said the licensee shall immediately notify the Executive Director Board of any 8 change in the directors or officers of the corporation corporation. and such The new director(s) or officer(s) shall 9 comply with the provisions of 21 NCAC 04B .0201(d)(1), (2), (3), (5),  $\frac{(6)}{(6)}$ , and (7). If the new directors or 10 officers have a 51% or greater controlling interest in the corporation, the firm license shall be retired and the firm 11 shall apply for a new license. 12 (c) In the case of a partnership license, said the licensee shall immediately notify the Executive Director Board of 13 any change in partners and such new partners shall comply with the provisions of 21 NCAC 04B .0201(d)(1), (2), 14 (3), (5), (6) (6), and (7). 15 (d) In the case of an auction firm license, the licensee shall immediately notify the Executive Director Board of any 16 change in a designated person(s). If the designated person is a currently licensed auctioneer under G.S 85B, the 17 designated person shall be required to comply with the provisions of 21 NCAC 04B .0201(d)(1), (6) (6), and (7). If 18 the designated person is not a currently licensed auctioneer under G.S. 85B, the designated person shall be required 19 to comply with the provisions of 21 NCAC 04B .0201(d)(1), (2), (3), (6), (6), and (7). 20 (e) Any change in address, business name or ownership required by these Rules changes of reported information 21 required by this Rule shall be reported within 10 days of the occurrence of such change. 22 23 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-3.1; 24 *Eff. November 1, 1984;* 25 Amended Eff. April 1, 1996; January 1, 1995; 26 Temporary Amendment Eff. January 1, 2000; 27 Amended Eff. April 1, 2001;
- 28 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0602

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 4, please insert a comma after "apprentice auctioneers"

On line 8, consider putting the terms "trolling" and "holding" in quotation marks.

On line 10, what notice is required to the Board? That of the names or that the names will be used in the advertisement?

In (c), line 16, please change "these Rules" to "this Rule" to match the changes made elsewhere in the Rule.

In (f), line 33, please insert a comma after "agency"

In (g), Page 2, line 2, please insert a comma after "state" Please note the same for (h)(2), line 7, and (h)(3), line 11.

In (h)(2), lines 7 and 9, please insert a comma after "agency"

In (h)(3), line 11, so that I'm clear – you purposely did not refer to departments here?

In (k), line 20, please replace "which" with "that"

On line 26, I believe "30-day" should be hyphenated

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

Amanda J. Reeder Commission Counsel Date submitted to agency: March 25, 2020

21 NCAC 04B .0602 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0602 ADVERTISING

4 (a) In all advertisements relating to an auction, the auctioneer's, apprentice auctioneer's auctioneer's or auction 5 firm's name and license number shall be conspicuously given. If an auctioneer is working for or in conjunction with 6 an auction firm, such the relationships relationship shall be disclosed and both license numbers shall be 7 conspicuously-given. A general advertisement which that does not concern a specific sale(s) sale or specific sales 8 and which that does not list sale dates, times times, or locations, generally referred to as trolling or holding 9 advertisements, shall not be subject to any identification requirement. A licensee may advertise under a name, 10 assumed name, trade name, or combination of names, only if written notice has been previously filed with the 11 Board.

(b) Any licensee who advertises an "Estate Sale" shall specifically disclose, in all advertisement materials, whether
 it is the estate of a living or deceased person. Before conducting an auction as an "estate sale," the majority of items

14 in the sale shall come from the estate of the living or deceased person(s). Other items not related to or in an estate

15 may be sold with an estate if <del>specifically</del> disclosed at or before the time of the auction.

16 (c) It shall be a violation of these Rules to advertise a "Bankruptcy Sale" unless the item(s) offered for sale, whether

17 real or personal, are from an active bankruptcy action. Before conducting an auction as a "bankruptcy sale," the

18 majority of the items in the sale shall come from the bankruptcy of one or more parties. Other items not related to or

19 from a bankruptcy action may be sold with items from a bankruptcy action if specifically disclosed at or before the 20 time of the auction.

(d) It shall be a violation of these Rules this Rule to advertise an item, either real or personal, as "Absolute" or "Without Reserve" if the item is subject to confirmation, minimum bid, or any other condition of sale. Before advertising an auction as absolute or without reserve, the majority of items in the sale shall be offered for sale absolute or without reserve. Items that are not absolute may be included in the auction provided they are <del>specifically</del> designated as such in all announcements <del>or</del> <u>and</u> advertisements.

26 (e) It shall be a violation of these Rules this Rule to advertise any auction using such descriptive words as "Urgent,"

27 "Emergency," "Distress" or any other word which that connotates connotes liquidation of assets or that the buyers

28 will, for some extraordinary reason, will be in a position to reap some unusual bargain without specifically

29 disclosing, in the written advertisement in a print size equal to the descriptive word, the reason that the sale is

30 "urgent," the nature of the "emergency" <u>"emergency</u>," or the cause of the "distress," <u>"distress,"</u> <u>"distress,"</u> etc.

31 (f) It shall be a violation of these Rules this Rule to advertise any auction using such descriptive words as "Seized,"

32 "Confiscated," "Forfeited," "Forfeited," or any other word which that connotes a governmental action whereby items

33 are seized or taken by a government department, agency or commission and released or sold or that the buyers will,

34 for some governmental reason, be in a position to reap some unusual bargain without specifically disclosing, in the

35 written advertisement in a print size equal to the descriptive word, the exact nature of the government action.

- 36 (g) It shall be a violation of these Rules this Rule to advertise any items as being from an "estate" or a "bankruptcy,"
- 37 or from an "urgent," "emergency," "distress," "seized," "confiscated," "forfeited" "forfeited," or similar sale, unless

1 the consignor of the item(s) to be sold is the original owner of the item(s), the designated representative of the

2 owner, or a federal, state or local department, agency agency, or commission charged with disposing of the item(s),

3 and consigned the item(s) directly to the advertised sale.

4 (h) It shall be a violation of these Rules this Rule to:

- 5 (1) Reference the U.C.C. or any other uniform act or federal or state law in any advertisement unless 6 such the act or law is required, by law, to be referenced;
- Reference or mention any federal, state or local department, agency or commission in any
   advertisement unless specifically required by law to do so or unless prior written approval is
   received from such department, agency or commission; or
- 10(3)Otherwise connote in any advertisement that the auction is under the auspices of, at the direction11of of, or required by federal or state law or act or a federal, state or local agency or commission12and that the buyers will, for some legal or governmental reason, be in a position to reap some13unusual bargain.

(i) It shall be a violation of these Rules this Rule to advertise for sale items which that the auctioneer/firm does not
 intend to offer for sale at the advertised auction.

16 (j) It shall be a violation of these Rules this Rule for an auctioneer or auction firm to permit its name or license

number to appear on any advertisement for an auction without reviewing the contents of the advertisement prior to

18 its publication to ascertain its compliance with applicable law and Rules. <u>G.S. 85B and this Subchapter.</u>

(k) It shall be a violation of these Rules this Rule to advertise any auction using such descriptive words as "Contents," "Stock," "Inventory," "Liquidation" "Liquidation," or any other word which connotes that the items to be auctioned are present on the premises of a residence, business, building building, or establishment unless the items were physically present continuously without interruption for 30 days prior to the signing of the contract or written agreement. Before conducting an auction using any of the descriptive words, the majority of the items in the sale shall be from the premises. Other items not related to or from the contents of the residence or business may be included in the auction provided they are specifically designated as such in all advertisements previous to the sale.

26 The 30 day requirement shall not apply to items used in direct conjunction with the residence or business and

27 brought to the site solely for the purpose of sale at auction.

(1) At all auctions that include a buyer's premium, the amount of the buyer's premium shall be announced at the beginning of the auction and a written notice of this information shall be conspicuously displayed or distributed to the public at the auction site.

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32	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B-1; 85B-3.1; 85B-8(a)(4);
33		Eff. November 1, 1984;
34		Amended Eff. May 1, 2006; April 1, 2001; April 1, 1996; January 1, 1995; June 1, 1991;
35		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0603

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (d), line 12, (e), line 15, and (g), lines 26 and 28, you refer to "Custodial Account for Sellers" or "Custodial Account for Sellers Proceeds." It appears that this term is from (c), but that Paragraph allows individuals to name the account something different. Should you refer instead to "the custodial account created pursuant to Paragraph (c) of this Rule"?

In (e)1), line 16, how will the auctioneer/firm know this? Will it be in the contract?

In (f), line 22, please replace "said" with "the"

In (g), line 27, please delete "also" after "each," then insert a comma after "sellers" on line 28.

21 NCAC 04B .0603 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0603 SALE PROCEEDS, ACCOUNTING AND ESCROW ACCOUNTS

4 (a) Each payment made payable to the auctioneer/firm in of which any portion belongs to others, and which are not

5 disbursed to the seller on auction day, must shall be deposited in an escrow account for the benefit of the owner or

6 seller of such property within three business days after receipt of same.

7 (b) Any licensee who disburses any funds on auction day shall prepare a receipt or settlement statement in 8 compliance with G.S. 85B-7.1(a) and maintain records in compliance with G.S. 85B-7.1(b).

9 (c) Every auctioneer/firm that does not disburse all funds to the seller on auction day shall establish and maintain a

separate bank account designated as "Custodial Account for Sellers Proceeds" or some similar identifying designation, to disclose that the depositor is acting as a fiduciary and that the funds in the account are trust funds.

12 (d) Such custodial <u>Custodial</u> accounts for sellers proceeds must <u>shall</u> be established and maintained in <del>banks</del> <u>banks</u>,

13 <u>credit unions</u>, or savings and loan associations located in the State of North Carolina whose deposits are insured by

- 14 the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or comparable state <u>or federal</u> recognized insurance agency or program.
- 15 (e) The Custodial Account for Sellers shall be drawn on only for payment of:
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(1) the net proceeds to the seller, or to any person that the auctioneer/firm knows is entitled to payment;

(2) to pay lawful charges against the property which that the auctioneer/firm shall in its agency
 capacity as agent, be is required to pay; and

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(3) to obtain any sums due the auctioneer/firm as compensation for its services.

(f) In the event of a dispute between the seller and buyer of goods or property or between the licensee and any person in whose name trust or escrow funds are held, the licensee shall retain said monies in his <u>or her</u> trust or escrow account until he <u>or she</u> has obtained a written release from the parties consenting to its disposition or until disbursement is ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(g) Each auctioneer/firm shall keep such accounts and records as will disclose at all times that document the handling of funds in such a Custodial Accounts Account for Sellers Proceeds. Accounts and records must shall at all times disclose the names of buyers and the amount of purchase and payment from each, also, the names of the sellers and the amount due and payable to each from funds in the Custodial Account for Sellers Proceeds. The names of the buyers and amount of purchase and payment from each <u>buyer</u> related to an individual seller shall be delivered to the seller within 14 days of a written request made within 90 days of settlement of a specific auction.

(h) All trust or escrow account records and records of disbursement shall be available for inspection by the
 Commission or its designated agent, <u>Board staff</u> without advance notice, and copies shall be provided to the
 Commission <u>Board</u> upon request.

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35	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B 3(f); 85B 7.1; G.S 85B-7.1; 85B-8(a);
36		Eff. June 1, 1991;
37		Amended Eff. April 1, 2003; January 1, 1995;

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 5, so that I'm clear – are "registration, sales and accounting" referring to records of registration, sales, and accounting? If so, please insert a comma after "sales" If not, please let me know so that this sentence can be clarified.

On lines 6, 17, and 18, why are you referring to the "Commission" here? Given that the term "Board" is used elsewhere and defined in Rule .0103 to mean the Commission, don't you want to use the term "Board" here?

On line 7, who will be the designated agent? If you mean Board staff, why not state that?

In (b), line 8, what is "regular" here? Is it repeat?

Consider moving Paragraph (d) to below (e) so that Paragraphs (c) and (e) are next to each other.

In (g), what are "reasonable times"? Are you using that term due to the use of it in G.S. 85-7(b) and (d)?

- 1 21 NCAC 04B .0604 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 856, as follows:
- 321 NCAC 04B .0604CONTRACTS, CONSIGNMENT RECORDS, SALES RECORDS, AND BIDDER4REGISTRATION RECORDS

(a) All written agreements for auctions and registration, sales and accounting records shall be maintained at the site
 during the conduct of the auction and, upon request, shall be made available to the Commission or its designated
 agent.

- 8 (b) An auction house, auction barn, or auction gallery business may enter into a written agreement with regular
  9 dealers or sellers for an extended period of time, not to exceed one year.
- 10 (c) The consignment records shall be kept by the licensee for a period of two years from the date of the auction.
- 11 (d) At an auction house, auction barn, or auction gallery, when consignments are brought to the location by the
- 12 public during that specific auction sale, the sales records and the consignment records may be the same.
- 13 (e) The sales records shall be kept by the licensee for a period of two years from the date of the auction.
- 14 (f) The bidder registration records shall contain the bidders' names, addresses, telephone numbers, and when

15 possible e mail email addresses. The bidder registration records shall be kept by the licensee for a period of two

- 16 years from the date of the auction.
- 17 (g) All required records shall be open for inspection by the Commission or its designated agent at reasonable times,
- 18 or copies of the same shall be provided to the Commission or its designated agent upon written request.
- 19 (h) In auctions of consigned property, any buyer's premium shall be calculated, collected, and distributed according
- 20 to terms authorized by the consignor in a written auction contract.
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History Note: Authority G.S. 85B 1; 85B 7; G.S. 85B-7; 85B-7.1; 85B-8;

- Eff. January 1, 1995;
- 24 Amended Eff. May 1, 2006;
- 25 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (b), line 12, determined by whom? The auctioneer?

21 NCAC 04B .0605 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

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#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0605 BIDDING

4 (a) No auctioneer/auction firm shall bid on items in a sale he or she is conducting or procure such a the bid without 5 the intent to purchase the item. However, in a sale with reserve, the auctioneer/auction firm may bid on the reserve 6 item up to, and including, the amount of the reserve price without the intent to purchase the item. In any auction 7 where the auctioneer/auction firm bids or such auctioneer/auction firm procures such a bid, the auctioneer shall 8 announce such bidding in advance of the auction. 9 (b) A minimum opening bid shall not be required in an absolute auction. Following an opening bid, the auctioneer 10 may set reasonable minimum bid increments. Such a policy shall be stated disclosed and, if possible, posted or 11 included in the auctioneer's/auction firm's spoken, posted, and written terms and conditions of the sale. In this 12 Paragraph "reasonable minimum bid increments" are shall be determined by the type and value of the property being 13 offered at an auction. 14 15 History Note: Authority G.S. 25-2-328(4); 85B-1; 85B-3.1; 16 Eff. January 1, 1995;

- 17 Amended Eff. May 1, 2006; April 1, 2001;
- 18 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0606

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), lines 4 and 5, and (b), line 7, how are they approved by the Board? Is this process in rule or law? Should this state "designated person as defined by G.S. 85B-1(10)"?

21 NCAC 04B .0606 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

3 21 NCAC 04B .0606 AUCTION FIRMS

4 (a) All licensed auction firms shall have at least one Board approved Board-approved designated person. If a
 5 licensed auction firm does not have at least one Board-approved designated person, in good standing, the

- 6 status of the auction firm license shall be changed to invalid. it shall not engage in auctioneering activity.
- 7 (b) Only Board-approved designated person(s) for an auction firm shall have the authority to transact business

8 under the firm license. This includes arranging, managing, soliciting, and contracting auctions; the supervision of

9 the auction staff; the supervision of the acceptance of consignments of items for sale at auction; the supervision of

- 10 the advertising of an auction; and the supervision of the acceptance of payment and disbursement of monies for
- 11 items sold at auction.
- (c) At least one designated person shall be on the premises of an auction firm's auction sale location while theauction sale is conducted.

# (d) Any auctioneer licensed under G.S. 85B may call bids for a licensed auction firm without being a designatedperson.

16 (e) Any apprentice auctioneer licensed under G.S. 85B and supervised by the sponsor his or her supervising

17 auctioneer may call bids for a licensed auction firm without being a designated person.

18 (f) Individuals that hold a currently valid real estate broker license are shall be exempt from the auction firm

examination examination. if their Their authority to transact business as a designated person under the auction firm license is only related limited to real estate sales at auction.

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22 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-1; 85B-3.1; 85B-4;

- Eff. May 1, 2006;
- 24 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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- 21 NCAC 04B .0607 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 856, as follows:

3	21 NCAC 04B .0607	<b>NON-AUCTION FIRM SOLE PROPRIETOR</b>	AUCTION BUSINESSES
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4 (a) A licensed auctioneer who owns and operates a non-auction firm sole proprietor auction business has the sole

5 responsibility for arranging, managing, soliciting, and contracting auctions; the supervision of the auction staff; the

6 supervision of the acceptance of consignments of items for sale at auction; the supervision of the advertising of an

- 7 auction; and the supervision of the acceptance of payment and disbursement of monies for items sold at auction.
- 8 (b) A licensed auctioneer or an apprentice auctioneer who is employed or contracted by another licensed auctioneer
- 9 who owns and operates a non-auction firm sole proprietor auction business shall only be responsible for calling bids
- 10 and performing duties that a non-auctioneer is allowed to perform.
- 11 (c) A licensed auctioneer who owns and operates a non-auction firm sole proprietor auction business shall be on the

### 12 premises of his <u>or her</u> businesses' auction sale location while the auction sale is conducted.

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- 14 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-1; 85B-3.1;
  - Eff. May 1, 2006;
- 16 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0701

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

On line 5, do you want to cite specifically to Rule (4)(j)(4), as that governs service on an agency of the State?

1 21 NCAC 04B .0701 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

## 3 21 NCAC 04B .0701 APPLICATIONS

4 All verified applications will be served upon the Commission in accordance with the procedures set forth in G.S.

5  $\frac{1A - 1}{Rule 4(J)}$ . <u>G.S. 1A-1</u>, <u>Rule 4(j)</u>.

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- 6 7 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4.2;
- 8 *Eff. January 1, 1995;*
- 9 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

AGENCY: Auctioneer Licensing Board

RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0801

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 5, I think you should delete "a" before "Board-approved"

In (a)(1), line 11, given the deletion of former (a)(1), why not replace "the May 15 deadline" with "May 15<sup>th</sup>"?

In (b), line 19, should this state "under <u>the rules of</u> this Section" like it reads on line 22? This is assuming you mean all of the rules in Section .0800.

On line 20, since you deleted Paragraph (h), you will need to delete this cross-reference as well. Should the sentence end after "sponsor"?

In (e), line 32, please replace "their" with "his or her"

In (f), what does this mean? That the same credits cannot be used twice? I thought it might apply to carry forward hours, but that is address by Paragraph (g). So, what does this address?

In the History Note, Page 2, line 7, please delete the period in the citation to G.S. 85B-4.1(e).

21 NCAC 04B .0801 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

3 21 NCAC 04B .0801 CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE

(a) To renew a license on in active status, an auctioneer, apprentice auctioneer, or designated person(s) in an auction
 firm shall complete a Board approved Board-approved course(s) consisting of the hours of instruction as established

6 as in Paragraph (d) of this Rule and shall provide documentation of completion of the above Board approved <u>Board-</u>

7 <u>approved</u> course(s) to the Board. within one year preceding license expiration.

- 8 (1) "Within one year preceding license expiration time period" shall be defined as from May 16 to the
   9 following May 15 in the year that the license expires.
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   (2) (1)
   An auctioneer, apprentice auctioneer, or designated person(s) in an auction firm shall provide

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   documentation on required continuing education courses to the Board by the May 15 deadline of

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   the current renewal period.
- 13 (3) If the required documentation is not received by the Board by the deadline as set forth in
   14 Subparagraph (a)(2) of this Rule, the licensee shall be assessed a late fee as set forth in Rule
   15 .0202(b)(10) of this Subchapter.
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   (4) (2)
   The renewal shall not be processed until compliance is achieved and the required fees are received

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   as set forth in Rule .0402(b) of this Subchapter. The Board shall not process a license renewal

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   until the licensee has complied with this Rule.

19 (b) The Board shall approve courses that shall be conducted by sponsors approved by the Board under this Section.

20 The subject matter of this course shall be determined by the course sponsor subject to Paragraph (h) of this Rule.

The course sponsor shall produce or acquire provide instructor and student materials. The course must shall be conducted as prescribed by the rules in this Section. At the beginning of the course, sponsors must provide licensees

23 participating in their classes a copy of the student materials developed or acquired by the sponsor.

24 (c) The sponsor may conduct the course at any location as frequently often as is desired during the approval period.

25 Approval of a sponsor to conduct a course authorizes the sponsor to conduct the course using an instructor who has

26 been approved by the Board as a course instructor under Rule .0804 of this Section.

27 (d) The minimum classroom hours of instruction for each year shall be six four. unless the Board establishes at its

28 April monthly Board meeting fewer hours for the upcoming year pursuant to G.S. 85B-4(e1). In determining

29 whether fewer hours may be established, the Board shall analyze the disciplinary actions and complaints against its

30 licensees and base its decision on whether the analysis shows that a reduction in hours is justified.

31 (e) An auctioneer, an apprentice auctioneer, or a designated person(s) in an auction firm shall complete the

32 continuing education requirements for each renewal period that their license was lapsed or suspended.

33 (f) Credit hours applied to the current renewal of a license shall not be used for future renewals.

34 (g) Excess continuing education hours may be carried forward as credits for a maximum of one renewal year.

35 (h) The Board may mandate the topic(s) for all or part of an approved course as a continuing education requirement

36 pursuant to G.S. 85B 4(e1). In determining whether to mandate the topic for all or part of an approved course as a

37 continuing education requirement, the Board shall analyze the disciplinary actions and complaints against its

1	licensees and base its decision on whether the analysis shows that mandating the topic for all or part of a course is		
2	justified.		
3	(i) (h) No part of any prelicensing course curriculum shall count as continuing education credit hours.		
4	(j) (i) Continuing education shall not be required until the second renewal after initial licensing pursuant to G.S.		
5	85B-4(e).		
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7	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B-4.(e1);	
8		Eff. July 1, 1999;	
9		Amended Eff. April 1, 2001; January 1, 2000;	
10		Temporary Amendment Eff. October 12, 2001;	
11		Temporary Amendment Expired July 29, 2002;	
12		Amended Eff. April 1, 2003;	
13		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.	

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RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0802

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 5, can the application not be obtained from the Board's website? If so, why not state "... form prescribed by the Board, which may be obtained from the Board using the information in Rule .0102 of this Chapter."?

And I take it the form is being prescribed within the contents of this Rule?

On line 5, consider replacing "calls for" with "requires"

On lines 7 and 8, what is this information? Who determines if it is "necessary"?

In (b), line 10, please delete "the satisfaction of"

End (b)(1), line 11, with a semicolon, not a period.

In (b)(3), line 14, please strike "must"

On line 15, Rule .0404(a)(15) defines "lack of truth, honesty, and integrity" not the term you have here.

So, please delete "high" altogether and state "The instructors shall exhibit truth, honesty, and integrity as set forth in Rule 21 NCAC 04B .0404(a)(15)"

On line 16, please insert a comma after "officer"

On line 17, please insert a comma after "association"

In (b)(4), line 18, in order to address concerns of simultaneous approval in Rule .0804, why not state "instructor who meets the requirements for Board approval"?

21 NCAC 04B .0802 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

3	21 NCAC 04B .0802	APPLICATION FOR ORIGINAL APPROVAL

4 (a) An entity seeking original approval to sponsor a course must shall make application on a form prescribed by the

5 Board. Board and may obtain the required form upon request to the Board. The application form calls for the name,

6 address, and other contact information for the sponsor, a list of instructors, a description of each instructor's

7 education and experience, and other information necessary to determine the fitness of the sponsor and instructors for

8 <u>approval.</u> An applying entity that is not a resident of <u>based in</u> North Carolina shall also file with the application a

9 consent to service of process and pleadings.

10 (b) Approval to sponsor a course shall be granted to an applicant upon showing to the satisfaction of the Board that:

- 11 (1) The applicant has submitted all information required by the Board; Board in the application.
- 12 (2) The applicant satisfies all of the requirements of Rule .0805 of this Section relating to 13 qualifications or eligibility of course sponsors;
- 14(3)The applicant continuing education coordinator required by Rule .0805(e) must shall be truthful,15honest honest, and of high integrity as referenced defined in 21 NCAC 04B .0404(a)(15). In this16regard, the The Board may shall consider the reputation and character of any owner, officer or17director of any corporation, association or organization applying for sponsor approval; and
- 18 (4) The applicant has at least one proposed instructor who has been approved by the Board as a course
  19 instructor under Rule .0804 of this Section.

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History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1);

- Eff. July 1, 1999;
- 23 Amended Eff. April 1, 2001; January 1, 2000;
- 24 Temporary Amendment Eff. October 12, 2001;
- 25 Temporary Amendment Expired July 29, 2002;
- 26 Amended Eff. April 1, 2003;
- 27 *Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.*

21 NCAC 04B .0803 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0803 STUDENT FEE FOR COURSES

4 Sponsors of a course may establish the amount of the fee to be charged to students taking this the course; provided,

5 however, course. However, that the established fee must shall be an all-inclusive fee and no separate or additional

6 fee may be charged to students for providing course materials, providing course completion certificates, reporting

- 7 course completion to the Board, or for recouping similar routine other administrative expenses.
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9 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1);

10 Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;

11 *Eff. April 1, 2001;* 

12 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.
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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 4, should "be accomplished" be replaced with "occur'?

In (b), lines 10-12 contain the same language as Rule .0802(a). Should this be different? If it should be the same, why not state on line 9, "... on the application form set forth in Rule 21 NCAC 04B .0802(a)" and end it with this?

*If you need to retain it:* 

On line 10, can the application not be obtained from the Board's website? If so, why not state "... form prescribed by the Board, which may be obtained from the Board using the information in Rule .0102 of this Chapter."?

And I take it the form is being prescribed within the contents of this Rule?

On line 10, consider replacing "calls for" with "requires"

On line 12, what is this information? Who determines if it is "necessary"?

In (c), Rule .0404(a)(15) defines "lack of truth, honesty, and integrity" not the term you have here.

So, please delete "high" altogether and state "The instructors shall exhibit truth, honesty, and integrity as set forth in Rule 21 NCAC 04B .0404(a)(15)"

In (e)(2), line 35, please delete "has" before "refused"

In (f), Page 2, line 3, what is "dishonest, fraudulent or improper conduct"? How is this determined?

If you are retaining it, please insert a comma after "fraudulent"

21 NCAC 04B .0804 is	readopted as publish	ed in 34:10 NCR, pag	ges 839 - 856, as follows:

#### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0804 APPROVAL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS

4 (a) Approval of course instructors shall be accomplished at the time of the approval of the course sponsor. 5

Approval of a course instructor authorizes the instructor to teach the course only for the approved course sponsor.

6 An approved course instructor may not independently conduct a course unless the instructor has also obtained

7 approval as a course sponsor. is conducting the course under the supervision of an approved course sponsor.

8 (b) An entity seeking original approval as a course sponsor must shall provide the name, address, and qualifications

9 of the instructors for the course as set forth in this Rule on the application form prescribed by the Board. Board and

10 may obtain the required form upon request to the Board. The application form calls for the name, address, and other

11 contact information for the sponsor, a list of instructors, a description of each instructor's education and experience,

12 and other information necessary to determine the fitness of the sponsor and instructors for approval. No additional

13 application fee is required. All required information regarding the instructor's qualifications must be submitted.

14	(c)	The instructor(s)	must shall be	truthful, honest	<u>honest,</u> and of high	integrity as	referenced defined in	21 NCAC
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#### 15 04B .0404(a)(15).

16 (d) The instructor(s) must shall be qualified under one or more of the following standards:

- 17 Possession of a baccalaureate or higher degree with a major in the field of marketing, finance, or (1)18 business administration;
- 19 Possession of a current North Carolina auctioneer or auction firm license, three years active full-(2)20 time experience in auctioneering within the previous 10 years, and 30 classroom hours of auction 21 education, excluding prelicensing education, within the past three years, such education covering 22 topics which that are acceptable under Board rules for continuing education credit; in compliance 23 with these Rules;
- 24 (3) Possession of a current North Carolina real estate broker license, three years active full time 25 experience in the real estate business within the previous 10 years, and experience teaching real 26 estate prelicensing and continuing education courses;
- 27 (4)Possession of a license to practice law in North Carolina and three years experience in law practice 28 within the previous 10 years; or
- 29 (5) Possession of qualifications found by the Board to be equivalent to one or more of the standards 30 set forth in this Rule.
- 31 (e) The Board may shall deny or withdraw approval of any course instructor upon finding that:
- 32 The course sponsor or the instructor has made any false statements or presented false information (1)33 in connection with an application for approval;
- 34 The instructor has failed to meet the criteria for approval described in Paragraph (d) of this Rule or (2)35 has refused or failed to comply with any other provisions of this Subchapter;
- 36 The instructor has failed to demonstrate, during the teaching of courses, those effective teaching (3) 37 skills described in Rule .0815 of this Section; or

1 (4) The instructor has provided false or incorrect information in connection with any reports a course 2 sponsor is required to submit submitted to the Board. 3 (f) If a licensee who is an approved course instructor engages in any dishonest, fraudulent or improper conduct in 4 connection with the licensee's activities as an instructor, the licensee shall be subject to disciplinary action pursuant 5 to G.S. 85B-8 and G.S. 85B-9. 6 (g) Upon the written request of the Board, an approved course instructor must shall submit to the Board a videotape 7 video recording depicting the instructor teaching the course. The videotape video recording must shall have been 8 made within 12 months of the date of submission, must shall be in VHS electronic format, and must shall include a 9 label which clearly identifies identify the instructor and the date of the videotaped presentation. 10 (h) An approved instructor who is a licensee of the Board shall receive continuing education credit hours for 11 instruction at a rate of one hour for every one-half hour of approved course taught. 12 13 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1); 14 Eff. July 1, 1999; 15 Temporary Amendment Eff. October 12, 2001; 16 Temporary Amendment Expired July 29, 2002; 17 Amended Eff. April 1, 2003; 18 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

21 NCAC 04B .0805 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

# 3 21 NCAC 04B .0805 SPONSOR REQUIREMENTS

4 (a) <u>Any legal An</u> entity is eligible to seek approval as a sponsor of continuing education courses, provided that the 5 entity seeking approval is either the owner of the proprietary rights to the course or has <del>lawfully</del> acquired from the 6 course owner the right to seek course approval from the Board and to conduct <del>such</del> the course.

(b) The official name to be used by any course sponsor in connection with the offering of an approved continuing education course must shall elearly distinguish the sponsor from any other previously approved continuing education course sponsor. Unless the sponsor is an auction school with approved <u>curriculum and instructors</u> pursuant to G.S. 85B-4(d) <u>that is</u> proposing to operate continuing education courses in its own name, the official name also must shall elearly distinguish the sponsor from any approved auction school. <u>school with approved</u> <u>curriculum and instructors</u>. Sponsor applicants proposing to use a sponsor name which <u>that</u> does not comply with

13 this standard may <u>Paragraph shall</u> be required to adopt a different name as a condition of approval.

14 (c) Any advertisement or promotional material utilized by an approved course sponsor must shall include the course

15 sponsor's official name and shall not include any other name for the sponsor.

16 (d) Prospective <u>All</u> sponsors of a course must <u>shall</u> obtain written approval from the Board to conduct such course

17 prior to <u>advertising a course or</u> conducting the <u>a</u> course and <u>shall not advertise</u> prior to advertising or otherwise

18 representing that the <u>a</u> course is or may be approved for continuing education credit in North Carolina. Carolina

19 prior to Board approval. No retroactive approval to conduct a course shall be granted for any reason.

(e) A sponsor of a course must shall designate one person to serve as the continuing education coordinator for all
 Board-approved continuing education courses offered by the sponsor. The designated coordinator shall serve as the
 official contact person for the sponsor and shall be responsible for the following:

23 (1) Supervising the conduct of all the sponsor's Board-approved continuing education courses;

- 24 (2) Signing the course completion certificates provided by the sponsor to licensees completing 25 courses; and
- 26 (3) Submitting to the Board all required rosters, reports and other information.
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History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1);

29 Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;

- 30 *Eff. April 1, 2001;*
- 31 *Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.*

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 4, please insert a "the" before "student's"

In (a)(1), line 8, and (b)(1), line 23, what is the "official" course name?

In (a)(6), line 14, please delete the comma after "date(s)"

In (b)(2), line 24, please insert a "the" before "licensee"

In (d), line 33, please insert a comma after "certificate"

21 NCAC 04B .0806 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

3 21 NCAC 04B .0806 **COURSE COMPLETION REPORTING** 4 (a) Course sponsors must shall prepare and submit to the Board reports verifying student's completion of each 5 continuing education course conducted. Sponsors must shall submit these reports to the Board in a manner that will 6 assure receipt by the Board within thirty 30 calendar days following the course, but in no case later than May 15 for 7 courses conducted prior to that date. Reports shall include the following: 8 (1)the Official official course name; 9 (2)the Sponsor or sponsor and coordinator name, mailing address, and telephone number; 10 (3) the Coordinator coordinator signature certifying that the information is correct; 11 (4)the Name, name, address, and North Carolina license number of each licensee who satisfactorily 12 completes completed the course and who desires continuing education credit for the course; 13 (5)the Physical physical location where the course was conducted; 14 (6)the Date(s), date(s), and starting and ending times of each course; and 15 (7)the Number number of credit hours. 16 (b) At the request of the Board, course sponsors must provide licensees enrolled in each continuing education course an opportunity to complete an evaluation of the course upon completion of the course. 17 18 (e) (b) Course sponsors shall provide each licensee who satisfactorily completes an approved continuing education 19 course a course completion certificate. Sponsors must shall provide the certificates to licensees within thirty 30 20 calendar days following the course, but in no case later than May 15 for any course completed prior to that date. 21 The certificate shall be retained by the licensee as secondary proof of having completed the course. Course 22 completion certificates shall include the following: 23 the Official official course name; (1)24 the Name name of licensee who satisfactorily completes the course; (2)25 (3) the Date(s) date(s) of attendance; 26 (4) the Number number of credit hours; and 27 (5) the Coordinator coordinator signature certifying that the information is correct. 28 (d) When a licensee in attendance at a continuing education course does not comply with the student participation 29 standards, standards of Rule .0817 of this Section, the course sponsor shall advise inform the Board of this matter in 30 writing at the time reports verifying completion of continuing education for the course are submitted. A sponsor 31 who determines that a licensee failed to comply with either the Board's attendance standards of Rule .0816(a) of this 32 Section or the student participation standards of Rule.0817 of this Section shall not provide the licensee with a 33 course completion certificate nor shall the sponsor include the licensee's name on the reports verifying completion of 34 continuing education. 35 36 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1); 37 Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;

1	Eff. April 1, 2001;
2	Amended Eff. May 1, 2006;
3	Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

#### 21 NCAC 04B .0807 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0807 CHANGE IN SPONSOR OWNERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION

4 (a) The approval granted to a course sponsor may be transferred to a new or different entity only with the advance5 approval of the Board.

- 6 (b) Course sponsors must shall notify the Board in writing prior to any change in business name, continuing
- 7 education coordinator, address address, or business telephone number.
- 8 (c) Course sponsors must shall obtain advance approval from the Board for any changes to be made in the content
- 9 or number of hours for courses; courses, provided that However, changes in course content which are solely made
- 10 for the purpose of assuring that information provided in a course is current and accurate do not require approval
- during the approval period, but shall be reported at the time the sponsor requests renewal of course approval.
- 12 Requests for approval of changes shall be in writing.
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- History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1);
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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

On line 6, please insert a comma after "staff"

And I take it the request will be made to ensure compliance with the rules?

1 21 NCAC 04B .0808 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0808 COURSE RECORDS

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4 All course sponsors must shall retain on file for two years records of student registration and attendance for each 5 session of a continuing education course that is conducted and shall make such records available to the Board, or its 6 designee, staff upon request. 7 8 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1); 9 Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000; 10 *Eff. April 1, 2001;* 11 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0809

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

On line 7, can the application not be obtained from the Board's website? If so, why not state "... form prescribed by the Board, which may be obtained from the Board using the information in Rule .0102 of this Chapter."?

And I take it the form is being prescribed within the contents of this Rule?

On line 8, consider replacing "calls for" with "requires"

On lines 9-10, what is this information? Who determines if it is "necessary"?

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- 21 NCAC 04B .0809 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 856, as follows:

### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0809 RENEWAL OF COURSE AND SPONSOR APPROVAL

4 Board approval of all continuing education course sponsors expires shall expire on the next June 30 following the 5 date of issuance. In order to assure continuous approval, a A completed renewal application prescribed by the 6 Board, Board must shall be submitted to the Board annually on or before April 30. Applicants for renewal as a 7 continuing education course sponsor may obtain the required form upon request to the Board. The application form 8 calls for the name, address, and other contact information for the sponsor, a list of any new instructors, a description 9 of each new instructor's education and experience, and other information necessary to determine the fitness of the 10 sponsor and instructors for approval. Any continuing education course sponsor's renewal applications that are not 11 received or that are not complete on or before April 30 shall not have met the guidelines requirements for renewal and must meet the criteria for original approval as set forth in Rule .0802. in order to conduct continuing education 12 13 shall seek approval pursuant to Rule .0802 of this Section. 14 15 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1); 16 Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;

- 17 *Eff. April 1, 2001;*
- 18 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

So that I'm clear – the actions by the Board in (a) and (b) will occur in a hearing?

In (a)(1), line 8, please replace "or" with "of"

21 NCAC 04B .0810 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

3	21 NCAC 04B.	0810 DENIAL OR WITHDRAWAL OF APPROVAL
4	(a) The Board m	ay deny or withdraw approval of any course or course sponsor upon finding that:
5	(1)	The course sponsor has made any false statements or presented any false information in
6		connection with an application for course or sponsor approval or renewal of such approval;
7	(2)	The course sponsor or any official or instructor in the employ of the course sponsor has refused or
8		failed to comply with any of the provisions of this Rule; Section .0800 or these Rules;
9	(3)	The course sponsor or any official or instructor in the employ of the course sponsor has provided
10		false or incorrect information in connection with any reports the course sponsor is required to
11		submit to the Board;
12	(4)	An instructor in the employ of the course sponsor fails to conduct approved courses in a manner
13		that demonstrates possession of accordance with the teaching skills described in Rule .0815 of this
14		Section; or
15	(5)	Any court of competent jurisdiction has found the course sponsor sponsor, or any official or
16		instructor instructor, or any person in the employ of the course sponsor to have violated, in
17		connection with the offering of continuing education courses, any applicable federal or state law
18		or regulation prohibiting discrimination on the basis of disability, requiring places of public
19		accommodation to be in compliance with prescribed accessibility standards, or requiring that
20		courses related to licensing or certification for professional or trade purposes be offered in a place
21		and manner accessible to persons with disabilities.
22	(b) If a licensee	who is an approved course sponsor or an instructor in the employ of an approved course sponsor
23	engages in any d	ishonest, fraudulent fraudulent, or unlawful conduct in connection with the licensee's activities as a
24	course sponsor o	or instructor, the licensee shall be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to G.S. 85B-8 and G.S.
25	85B-9.	
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27	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1);
28		Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;
29		Eff. April 1, 2001;
30		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

21 NCAC 04B .0811 is repealed through readoption as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

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### 3 21 NCAC 04B .0811 MINIMUM CLASS SIZE

4 The minimum class size for any session of an approved continuing education course shall be five students, as 5 determined by the sponsor's preregistration records. The minimum class size requirement shall not apply to class 6 sessions when the sponsor notifies the Board in writing of the scheduled class session and advertises in advance the 7 scheduled class session in the general auction community where the class session is to be held. A sponsor who 8 conducts a class session for fewer than five students shall submit with the reports verifying completion of the course 9 a copy of the advertisement for the class session plus a statement or other documentation indicating the date of the 10 advertisement and the advertising method. 11 12 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1); 13 Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000; 14 *Eff. April 1, 2001;* 15 Repealed Eff. May 1, 2020.

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- 21 NCAC 04B .0812 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 856, as follows:

3	21 NCAC 04B .0812	SCHEDULING AND NOTICE OF SCHEDULED COURSES

4 (a) An hour of creditable instruction is defined as 50 minutes of instruction or practical exercise accompanied by a
 5 10 minute break. break of up to 10 minutes.

6 (b) Sponsors must shall provide the Board written notice of all scheduled course offerings not later than 10 days

7 prior to a scheduled course date. The notice shall include the name of the sponsor and, for each scheduled course,

8 the name of the course, the scheduled date and time, specific location, and name of the instructor(s).

9 (c) Sponsors must shall notify the Board of any schedule changes or course cancellations at least five days prior to

10 the original scheduled course date. If a last minute change or cancellation is necessary five or less days before the

11 course date due to some weather, staffing, or other unforeseen circumstance, then notice shall be provided to the

# 12 Board as soon as possible. possible, and in no event more than 10 days later.

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14 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1);

Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;

*Eff. April 1, 2001;* 

17 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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21 NCAC 04B .0813 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

- 2 3 21 NCAC 04B .0813 **ADVERTISING; PROVIDING COURSE INFORMATION** 4 (a) Course sponsors must shall not utilize advertising of any type that is false or misleading misleading. in any 5 respect. If the number of continuing education credit hours awarded by the Board for an approved course is less 6 than the number of scheduled hours for the course, any course advertisement or promotional materials which 7 indicate that the course is approved for mandatory auctioneer continuing education credit in North Carolina must 8 specify the number of continuing education credit hours awarded by the Board for the course. In any advertisement 9 for a course, the sponsor shall state the total number of hours of the course and the number of those hours that are 10 Board-approved for continuing education credit. 11 (b) Any flyers, brochures brochures, or similar materials utilized to promote a continuing education course must 12 shall elearly describe state the fee to be charged and the sponsor's cancellation and fee refund policies. 13 (c) Upon course approval, course sponsors may shall include in course descriptions and promotional materials the 14 information contained in the following illustration: This course [seminar or program] has been approved by the 15 Auctioneer Licensing Board for continuing education credit in the amount of \_\_\_\_ hours. This course is not sponsored 16 by the Board. 17 (d) Course sponsors of any course must, shall provide to any prospective student, upon request, provide any 18 prospective student a description of the course content content. sufficient to give the prospective student a general 19 understanding of the instruction to be provided in the course. 20 21 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1); 22 Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;
  - *Eff. April 1, 2001;*
- 24 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0814

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (a), line 5, please replace "which" with "that"

In (b), line 8, is "electronic means" known to your regulated public?

On line 9, do you need to retain "appropriate"?

Also on line 9, I believe the correct cross-reference is now Rule .0502(f).

21 NCAC 04B .0814 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

# 3 21 NCAC 04B .0814 CONDUCT OF CLASSES

4 (a) All class sessions of approved continuing education courses must <u>shall</u> be open to all licensees on a first-

5 come/first-served basis; basis. provided that the <u>The</u> sponsor of a course which has a bona fide an education or 6 experience prerequisite, such as an advanced course leading to a special auctioneer designation, may refuse

7 admission to a licensee not satisfying such prerequisite.

8 (b) Courses not conducted electronically by electronic means must shall be conducted in a facility that provides an

9 appropriate learning environment as set forth in 21 NCAC 04B .0502(e).

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11 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1);

Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;

13 *Eff. April 1, 2001;* 

14 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0815

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (b), line 7, what is a "professional and courteous manner"?

In (b)(1), line 11, what is "accurate and relevant information"? Who determines this?

In (b)(2), what do you mean by having physical appearance used to present visual images?

In (b)(3), line 14, please define or delete "thorough, accurate, logical"

And please insert a comma after "organized"

On line 15, understandable to whom? The students?

In (b)(7), line 24, define "positive manner" and who determines whether this "encourages" the students to learn?

On line 25, how will this avoid offending their sensibilities? Do you mean "intentionally" offending them?

On line 26, do you need to retain "personal"?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

Amanda J. Reeder Commission Counsel Date submitted to agency: March 25, 2020

21 NCAC 04B .0815 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

3	21 NCAC 04B	.0815 INSTRUCTOR CONDUCT AND PERFORMANCE
4	(a) Instructors A	All instructors must shall assure ensure that class sessions are commenced in a timely manner and are
5	conducted at the	e scheduled time and for the full amount of time that is scheduled. Instructors must also assure that
6	each student is f	furnished student materials that directly support the topic matter being taught.
7	(b) Instructors	must shall conduct themselves in a professional and courteous manner when performing their
8	instructional du	ties and must shall conduct classes in a manner that demonstrates demonstrate a mastery of the
9	following basic	teaching skills: the ability to:
10	(1)	The ability to communicate effectively through speech, including the ability to speak clearly using
11		generally accepted grammar and vocabulary. and present accurate and relevant information;
12	(2)	The ability to present an effective visual image images to a class by appearance and physical
13		mannerisms. mannerisms;
14	(3)	The ability to present instruction in a thorough, accurate, logical, orderly organized and
15		understandable manner, to utilize illustrative examples examples, and to respond to questions from
16		students. students;
17	(4)	The ability to effectively utilize varied instructional techniques in addition to straight lecture, such
18		as class discussion, role playing or other techniques. utilize a variety of instructional techniques
19		that require students to analyze and apply course content, including teacher-centered approaches,
20		such as lecture discussion, reading, group problem solving, case studies, and scenarios;
21	(5)	The ability to effectively utilize instructional aids to enhance learning. aids:
22	(6)	The ability to maintain a conducive learning environment conducive to learning and effective
23		control of a <del>class.</del> <u>class; and</u>
24	(7)	The ability to interact with adult students in a positive manner that encourages students to learn,
25		that demonstrates an understanding of varied student backgrounds, that avoids offending the
26		sensibilities of students, and that avoids personal criticism of any other person, agency, or
27		organization.
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29	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1);
30		Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;
31		<i>Eff. April 1, 2001;</i>
32		Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

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RULE CITATION: 21 NCAC 04B .0816

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In the Submission for Permanent Rule form, Box 2, you state the name is "Monitoring <u>and</u> Attendance." This is not the name on the Rule. If this is a typographical error on the form, please resubmit it with the correct name. If you intended to rename the Rule, please resubmit the rule with the new name.

In the Rule:

In (a), line 4, please change "assure" to "ensure"

In (b), line 13, who determines what is "adequate" here? Is it the sponsor or the Board?

21 NCAC 04B .0816 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

- 3 21 NCAC 04B .0816 MONITORING ATTENDANCE
- 4 (a) Sponsors and instructors must shall strictly monitor attendance for the duration of each class session to assure 5 that all students reported as satisfactorily completing a course according to these Rules have attended at least 90 6 percent of the scheduled classroom hours. Students Sponsors shall not be admitted admit students to a class session 7 after 10 percent of the scheduled classroom hours have been conducted. Students shall not be allowed to sign a 8 course completion card, shall not be issued a course completion certificate, and shall not be reported to the Board as 9 having completed a course unless the student fully satisfies the attendance requirement. Unless a student satisfies 10 the attendance requirement in this Paragraph, the sponsor shall not allow the student to sign a course completion 11 card, issue a course completion certificate to a student, or report to the Board that the student completed the course. 12 Sponsors and instructors may shall not make any exceptions to the attendance requirement for any reason. 13 (b) Sponsors must shall assure that provide adequate personnel, in addition to the instructor, are present during all 14 class sessions to assist the instructor in monitoring attendance and performing the necessary administrative tasks 15 associated with conducting a course. 16 17 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1); 18 Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000; 19 Eff. April 1, 2001;
- 20 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.

21 NCAC 04B .0817 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

3	21 NCAC 04B .0817 STUDENT PARTICIPATION STANDARDS			
4	(a) In addition to requiring student compliance with the attendance requirement, sponsors and instructors shall			
5	equire that students Students shall comply with the following student participation standards:			
6	(1) A student shall direct his <u>or her</u> attention to the instruction being provided and refrain from			
7	engaging in activities unrelated to the instruction.			
8	(2) A student shall refrain from engaging in any activities which that are distracting disruptive to other			
9	students or the instructor, or which that otherwise disrupt the orderly conduct of a class.			
10	(3) A student shall comply with all instructions provided by the sponsor or instructor related to			
11	providing information needed to properly report completion of a course by the student.			
12	(b) Instructors and sponsors may dismiss from a class session any student who fails to comply with the student			
13	participation standards prescribed in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.			
14	(c) Sponsors shall not issue a course completion certificate to any student who fails to comply with the student			
15	participation standards set forth in Paragraph (a) of this Rule, nor shall sponsors include the name of such student on			
16	their reports verifying completion of a continuing education course. Sponsors shall submit to the Board with their			
17	reports for the class session a written statement which that includes the name and license number of the student for			
18	whom the sponsor does not report course credit, details concerning the student's failure to comply with the student			
19	participation standards, and names of other persons in attendance at the class who witnessed the student's conduct.			
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21	History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1);			
22	Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;			
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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (d), line 15, please make "rules" in "rules of this Section" lowercase. As this was published correctly in the Register, do not show it as a change – simply do it.

On line 16, I believe you deleted the requirement for a minimum class size by repealing Rule .0811. Please either confirm you still have this requirement elsewhere in your rules or delete the phrase here. And if you do still have this requirement, please insert a comma after "size"

21 NCAC 04B .0818 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows:

3 21 NCAC 04B .0818 ADDITIONAL SPONSOR REQUIREMENTS

4 (a) Sponsors and instructors may make available for purchase by continuing education students materials that 5 belong to the sponsor, sponsor instructor, or some other party; however, instructor, class Class time may not be used 6 to manually an additional students and contract of the sponsor instructor.

6 to promote or sell any materials or to solicit affiliation or membership in any business, organization, or association.

7 (b) Course sponsors must shall administer course cancellation and fee refund policies in a consistent and non-

8 discriminatory manner. In the event a scheduled course is canceled, reasonable efforts must be made the course

9 sponsor shall attempt to notify preregistered students of the cancellation and all prepaid fees received from such

- 10 preregistered students must shall be refunded within 30 days of the date of cancellation or, with the student's
- 11 permission, applied toward the fees for another course.

(c) Course sponsors shall admit the Board's authorized representative to monitor any continuing education class
 without prior notice. Such <u>The</u> representative shall not be required to register or pay any fee and shall not be
 reported as having completed the course.

15 (d) Course sponsors may deviate from these Rules the Rules of this Section concerning the conduct of continuing

16 education courses, such as rules addressing classroom facilities, minimum class size and instructional methods, as

17 may be necessary in order for the sponsor to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act or other laws

18 requiring such sponsors to accommodate persons with disabilities. A sponsor providing a special accommodation

19 for a licensee with a disability that requires the sponsor to deviate from these Rules shall notify the Board in writing

- 20 of the accommodation at the time reports are submitted for the class session attended by the licensee.
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22	History Note:	Authority G.S. 85-4(e1);
23		Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000;
24		Eff. April 1, 2001;
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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

In (d)(1)(G), line 21, please insert an "or" at the end of the line.

In (d)(1)(H), line 22, I suggest deleting the semicolon after "Sales" and the "or" and just having a period after "Sales."

1 21 NCAC 04B .0819 is readopted as published in 34:10 NCR, pages 839 - 856, as follows: 2 3 21 NCAC 04B .0819 **ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE** 4 (a) An auctioneer, apprentice auctioneer, or designated person of an auction firm who is unable to attend a Board-5 approved course and obtain the requisite hours of instruction established by the Board may apply to the Board for 6 submit evidence of alternative compliance. 7 (b) A written request for submission of alternative compliance shall be received by the Board by May 15 of the year 8 in which when the requisite hours of instruction are to be completed. 9 (c) If approved, the The course of instruction submitted as alternative compliance shall be completed prior to 10 license renewal renewal. and shall be exempt from the late fee. 11 (d) Alternative compliance shall include: 12 Academic courses at a community college, junior college, or college, or university located (1)13 in this State and accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accredited by an 14 agency recognized by the United States Department of Education in any of the following topics: 15 (A) Accounting; 16 (B) Finance; 17 (C) Business Management; 18 (D) Business Law; 19 (E) Economics; 20 (F) Marketing; 21 Computer Science; (G) 22 (H) Sales; or Enhancing Personal or Professional Skills. 23 <del>(I)</del> Completion of any non real real estate appraisal course with evidence of successful completion; 24 (2)25 and accredited by a state real estate licensing body. 26 (3)Publication of an article in professional journal of general circulation among the membership of 27 the profession. 28 29 History Note: Authority G.S. 85B-4(e1); 30 Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2000; 31 Eff. April 1, 2001; 32 Amended Eff. May 1, 2006; 33 Readopted Eff. May 1, 2020.