

1 21 NCAC 10 .0205 is amended as published in 29:14 NCR 1700 as follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 10 .0205 RENEWAL OF LICENSE**

4 (a) General. The renewal, ~~cancellation~~ cancellation, and restoration of a license are governed by G.S. 90-  
5 155.

6 (b) ~~Renewal Application~~ License Renewal Form. On or about December 1<sup>st</sup> each year, the Board shall  
7 mail to each licentiate, at the licentiate's current office address on file, an individualized license renewal  
8 form for the ensuing year. A secure electronic version of the form shall also be available at  
9 www.ncchiroboard.com. Annual application for renewal of license shall be made on a form furnished by  
10 the Board. A licentiate desiring license renewal shall note on the form Any any changes in a licentiate's  
11 name, address, professional specialty specialty, or employment circumstances, and history of criminal  
12 convictions convictions, shall be noted on the Renewal Application Form. The licentiate shall also note  
13 continuing education obtained as set forth in Paragraph (c) of this Rule. The licentiate shall submit the  
14 completed form and the renewal fee prescribed in Paragraph (d) of this Rule to the Board before the  
15 deadline imposed by G.S. 90-155.

16 (c) Continuing Education. The license renewal form issued by the Board shall recite the cumulative hours  
17 of continuing education reported to the Board and credited to the individual licentiate for the current year.  
18 If the licentiate wishes to receive credit for continuing education obtained but not reported to the Board,  
19 The the licentiate shall state note on the Renewal Application Form license renewal form the name, date,  
20 sponsor sponsor, and duration of all Board-approved any unreported educational sessions session, attended  
21 during the preceding year. The Board shall not award credit for the session until the sponsor confirms the  
22 licentiate's attendance or participation. The licentiate shall also note on the license renewal form [and year]  
23 any professional development continuing education for which the licentiate seeks credit pursuant to 21  
24 NCAC 10 .0210(d). As used in G.S. 90-155, one "day" of continuing education shall be defined as ~~12~~ nine  
25 hours. Attendance [at a Board-approved educational session shall be] corroborated by written certification  
26 from the sponsoring body. Any licentiate seeking a hardship waiver of the continuing education  
27 requirement shall make application on a separate form provided by the secretary upon request. written  
28 application to the Board explaining the nature and circumstances of the hardship. Upon the applicant's  
29 showing that timely compliance with the continuing education requirement poses an undue hardship, the  
30 Board, in its discretion, may waive the requirement in whole or part or grant an extension of time within  
31 which to comply. "Undue hardship" includes protracted medical illness, natural disaster, or extended  
32 absence from the United States.

33 (d) Renewal Fee. A renewal fee in the maximum amount allowed by ~~statute~~ G.S. 90-155 shall be paid by  
34 each licentiate applying for renewal.

35 (e) Restoration of Cancelled License: Evidence of Proficiency. In order to provide evidence of proper  
36 proficiency, any former licentiate whose license has been cancelled due to non-compliance with G.S. 90-  
37 155 ~~must~~ shall be re-examined and ~~must~~ shall pay the application fee prescribed in 21 NCAC 10 .0202(d)

1 to cover the cost of re-examination. Payment of the application fee ~~does~~ shall not constitute payment of the  
2 statutory reinstatement fee.

3 (f) ~~Military hardship.~~ Hardship. A licentiate who is serving in the armed forces of the United States and to  
4 whom G.S. 93B-15(a) grants an extension of time to pay a renewal fee shall also be granted an identical  
5 extension of time to complete the continuing education required for license renewal.

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7 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-155; 90-142; 93B-15*

8 *Eff. February 1, 1976;*

9 *Readopted Eff. January 27, 1978;*

10 *Amended Eff. January 1, 1983; October 17, 1980;*

11 *Legislative Objection Lodged Eff. January 31, 1983;*

12 *Curative Amended Eff. February 18, 1983;*

13 *Amended Eff. June 1, 2015; July 1, 2011; January 4, 1993; December 1, 1988.*

1 21 NCAC 10 .0210 is amended as published in 29:14 NCR 1701 as follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 10 .0210 INDIVIDUAL-STUDY CONTINUING EDUCATION**

4 (a) Hours permitted. A doctor of chiropractic may obtain as many as ~~12~~ eight credit hours of continuing  
5 education each year by successfully completing one or more individual-study courses approved by the  
6 Board.

7 (b) Course approval. The criteria for Board approval of any individual-study course ~~is~~ are as follows:

- 8 (1) ~~No~~ no practice-building or motivational courses shall be approved;
- 9 (2) ~~No~~ no course shall be approved that requires participants, in order to utilize the  
10 information presented, to purchase equipment or clinical supplies available only  
11 through the course's instructors, ~~sponsors~~ sponsors, or co-sponsors;
- 12 (3) ~~Each~~ each subject taught shall fall within the extent and limitation of chiropractic  
13 licensure in this State as provided in G.S. 90-151;
- 14 (4) ~~The~~ the subject matter shall be presented in a ~~logical, scientific~~ manner comparable  
15 to instruction at chiropractic colleges accredited by the Council on Chiropractic  
16 Education;
- 17 (5) ~~The~~ the sponsor shall have a ~~reliable~~ method for recording and verifying a doctor's  
18 participation expressed in credit hours and fractions thereof, and the sponsor shall  
19 assume responsibility for submitting a certificate of participation to the Board within  
20 60 days after a doctor completes the course;
- 21 (6) ~~The~~ the course shall include one or more examinations or other means of verifying  
22 that a participating doctor has mastered the material presented in the course.

23 (c) Sponsor's obligation. The sponsor shall provide ~~all~~ such information as the Board deems necessary to  
24 evaluate the course according to the ~~foregoing~~ criteria set forth in Paragraph (b) of this ~~Rule.~~ Rule,  
25 including the syllabus, a curriculum vitae for each instructor, the method for verifying attendance, and the  
26 length of the course. Failure to provide information required by the Board shall be a basis for ~~withholding~~  
27 ~~approval.~~ denying the course. The application process for obtaining course approval is set forth in 21  
28 NCAC 10 .0207.

29 (d) Professional development continuing education. A doctor of chiropractic may obtain continuing  
30 education credit for undertaking the professional development activities described ~~[below.]~~ in this  
31 Paragraph. Credit shall be awarded based on the actual time spent and shall not exceed two hours annually  
32 for all activities combined. To apply for credit, the doctor shall report such activities on his or her annual  
33 license renewal ~~[application.]~~ form as provided in 21 NCAC 10 .0205(c). Approved professional  
34 development activities shall include:

- 35 (1) ~~[Reading]~~ reading scientific, peer-reviewed professional journals; or
- 36 (2) ~~[Visiting]~~ visiting vendor displays at professional association conventions to become familiar  
37 with trends in treatment technologies and new products.

1 (e) Attendance at interstate regulatory meetings. A doctor of chiropractic may obtain as many as 12 hours  
2 of continuing education credit annually by attending ~~daily~~ morning and afternoon sessions of a national  
3 meeting of the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards or ~~daily~~ morning and afternoon sessions of a  
4 meeting of the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

5 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 90-142; 90-151; 90-155;  
6 Eff. July 1, 2004;  
7 Amended Eff. June 1, 2015.