State of California Office of Administrative Law

In re:

Board of Optometry

Regulatory Action:

Title 16, California Code of Regulations

Adopt sections:

1507.5

Amend sections: 1524

Repeal sections:

NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY

ACTION

Government Code Section 11349.3

OAL Matter Number: 2024-0911-05

OAL Matter Type: Regular (S)

This regular rulemaking action by the California State Board of Optometry adopts a new regulation providing the requirements to apply for a home residence permit and the disclosure requirements for providing such services. This action also amends existing regulation to include the applicable fees for application, renewal, and delinquency of a home residence permit.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 10/21/2024.

Date: October 21, 2024

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Director

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA-OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW For use by Secretary of State only NOTICE PUBLICATION/REGULATIONS SUBMI STD. 400 (REV. 10/2019) NOTICE FILE NUMBER FREGULA TORY ACTION NUMBER **EMERGENCY NUMBER** OAL FILE 2024-0911-055 NUMBERS **Z-** 2024-0708-02 For use by Office of Administrative Law (OAL) only **ENDORSED - FILED** in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of California OCT 2 1 2024 OFFICE OF ADMIN. I AM 2024 SEP 11 pus: 23 REGULATIONS NOTICE AGENCY WITH RULEMAKING AUTHORITY AGENCY FILE NUMBER (If any) State Board of Optometry A. PUBLICATION OF NOTICE (Complete for publication in Notice Register) FIRST SECTION AFFECTED 2. REQUESTED PUBLICATION DATE 1. SUBJECT OF NOTICE TITLE(S) 1507.5 July 19, 2024 Home Residence Permit 16 TELEPHONE NUMBER FAX NUMBER (Optional) 3. NOTICE TYPE A AGENCY CONTACT PERSON Notice re Proposed 916-574-7808 Gregory Pruden Other Regulatory Action ACTION ON PROPOSED NOTICE NOTICE REGISTER NUMBER PUBLICATION DATE OAL USE Approved as Modified Disapproved/ Withdrawn Approved as 2024,29-2 ONLY Submitted B. SUBMISSION OF REGULATIONS (Complete when submitting regulations) 1b. ALL PREVIOUS RELATED OAL REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER(S) 1a. SUBJECT OF REGULATION(S) Home Residence Permits 2. SPECIFY CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE(S) ANDS ECTION(S) (Including title 26, if toxics related) SECTION(S) AFFECTED 1507.5 (List all section number(s) AMEND individually. Attach additional sheet if needed.) 1524 REPEAL TITLE(S) 16 3. TYPE OF FILING Regular Rulemaking (Gov. Changes Without Certificate of Compliance: The agency officer named Emergency Readop Regulatory Effect (Cal. Code §11346) below certifies that this agency complied with the (Gov. Code, §11346.1(h)) Code Regs., title 1, §100) provision s of Gov. Code §§ 11346.2-11347.3 either Resubmittal of disapproved before the emerg ency regulation was adopted or or withdrawn nonemergency within the timeperiod required by statute. File & Print Print Only filing (Gov. Code §§11349.3, 11349.4) Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn Emergency (Gov. Code, Other (Specify) emergency filling (Gov. Code, §11346.1) §11346.1(b)) 4. ALL BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES OF AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED REGULATIONS AND/OR MATERIAL ADDED TO THE RULEMAKING FILE (Cal. Code Regs. title 1, §44 and Gov. Code §11347.1) N/A 5. EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGES (Gov. Code, §§ 11343.4, 11345.1 (d); Cal. Code Regs., title 1, §100) §100 Changes Without Regulatory Effect Effective other Effective on filing with Effective January 1, April 1, July 1, or X J October 1 (Gov. Code §11343.4(a)) Sec retairy of State (Specify) CHECK IF THESE REGULATIONS REQUIRE NOTICE TO, OR REVIEW, CONSULTATION, APPROVAL OR CONCURRENCE BY, ANOTHER AGENCY OR ENTITY x Department of Finance (Form STD. 399) (SAM §6660) Fair Political Practices Commission State Fire Marshal X Other (Specify) Kimberly Kirchmeyer, Director, Department of Consumer Affairs E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional) 7. CONTACT PERSON TELEPHONE NUMBER FAX NUMBER (Optional) gregory.pruden@dca.ca.gov Gregory Pruden (916) 574-7808 8. I certify that the attached copy of the regulation(s) is a true and correct copy For use by Office of Administrative Law (OAL) only of the regulation(s) identified on this form, that the information specified on this form is true and correct, and that I am the head of the agency taking this action, ENDORSED APPROVED or a designee of the head of the agency, and am authorized to make this certification. SIGNATURE OF AGENCY HEAD OR DESIGNEE DATE OCT 2 1 2024 Gregory Pruden 9-11-2024 TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY Gregory Pruden, Executive Officer Office of Administrative Law

CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF CALIFORNIA Home Residence Permits ORDER OF ADOPTION

Adopt section 1507.5 of Article 2 of Division 15 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:

§ 1507.5. Home Residence Permits

- (a) A licensed optometrist, who is certified to use therapeutic pharmaceutical agents pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 3041.3 and seeks to obtain a home residence permit pursuant to section 3070.1, shall complete an application which shall be accompanied by payment of the fee pursuant to Section 1524 in this Article. The initial home residence permit shall be in effect until the licensee's optometry license renewal date. The application shall require the following information:
 - (1) First, Middle and Last Name;
 - (2) Address of the optometrist's primary business office, that the optometrist maintains pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 3070.1(c)(1);
 - (3) Primary business office telephone Number;
 - (4) Email address;
 - (5) Current license number;
 - (6) A declaration by the applicant, under the penalty of perjury, that the information provided including any accompanying documents is true and accurate, and that the applicant understands and agrees that any misstatements of material facts may be cause for denial of the application and discipline by the board; and
 - (7) A declaration by the applicant, under the penalty of perjury, that the applicant will comply with all state and federal recordkeeping, reporting, and patient record disclosure requirements, including requirements as set forth in Section 3070.1(c).
- (b) A licensed optometrist who seeks to renew a home residence permit shall complete a renewal application which shall be accompanied by payment of the fee pursuant to Section 1524 in this Article. The renewal permit shall expire on the same date the license's optometry license expires. The application shall require the following information:
 - (1) First, Middle and Last Name;
 - (2) Address of the optometrist's primary business office, which the optometrist maintains pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 3041.3(c)(1);
 - (3) Primary business office telephone number;

- (4) Email address;
- (5) License number;
- (6) A declaration by the applicant, under the penalty of perjury, that the information provided including any accompanying documents is true and accurate, and that the applicant understands and agrees that any misstatements of material facts may be cause for denial of the application and discipline by the board; and
- (7) A declaration by the applicant, under the penalty of perjury, that the applicant will comply with all state and federal recordkeeping, reporting, and patient record disclosure requirements, including requirements as set forth in Business and Professions Code section 3070.1(c).

(c) Consumer notice.

- (1) Each patient, and if applicable the patient's caregiver, shall be issued a consumer notice. A copy of the consumer notice may be provided either inperson or electronically.
- (2) The notice shall be in a minimum of 14-point font and must contain the following information:
 - (A) The name, license number, email address, telephone number, primary business address and normal business hours of the optometrist;
 (B) At a minimum, the additional following information:

CONSUMER NOTICE

The practice of optometry in California is regulated by the California State Board of Optometry. The Board of Optometry receives and investigates all consumer complaints involving the practice of optometry. Complaints or grievances involving a California-licensed optometrist or optician should be directed in writing to:

California Department of Consumer Affairs
Board of Optometry
2540 Del Paso Road, Suite 105
Sacramento, CA 95834
Phone: 1-866-585-2666 or 916-575-7170

Email: optometry@dca.ca.gov
Website: optometry.ca.gov

PRESCRIPTIONS

Optometrists are required to provide patients with a copy of their ophthalmic lens prescriptions as follows:

- Spectacle prescriptions: Release upon completion of exam.
- Contact lens prescriptions: Release upon completion of exam or upon completion of the fitting process.

VOLUNTARY RELEASE OF PATIENT'S MEDICAL INFORMATION

The patient may choose to release their medical information related to the optometrist's provision of optometry services to the Board of Optometry. This authorization is voluntary, and the medical information will only be used to investigate complaints and to conduct the Board of Optometry's enforcement duties under Optometry Practice Act.

- (3) Each patient, or the patient's caregiver if applicable, must sign and acknowledge that they have received the consumer notice. The signature must be accompanied by a printed patient or patient caregiver's name. The signed acknowledgement must be retained in the patient's file.
- (d) The authorization provided by the optometrist to the patient, and if applicable the patient's caregiver to release the patient's medical information to the Board of Optometry shall be signed separately from the signature required in subdivision (c)(3) above.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 3025 and 3070.1 Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 3070.1, Business and Professions Code.

Amend section 1524 of Article 5 of Division 15 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

§1524. Fees

The following fees are established:

(a) Application fee for certificate of registration as an optometrist by examination	\$275
(b) Biennial renewal of a certificate of registration as an optometrist	\$500
(c) Delinquency fee for failing to renew a certificate of registration timely	\$50
(d) Application fee for a branch office license	\$75
(e) Annual renewal of a branch office license	\$75
(f) Penalty fee for failure to renew a branch office license timely	\$25
(g) Issuance fee for a certificate of registration or upon change of name of a \$25 person holding a certificate of registration	
(h) Application fee for a fictitious name permit	\$50

(i) Annual renewal of a fictitious name permit	\$50
(1) Delinquency fee for failure to renew a fictitious name permit timely	\$25
(j) Application fee for a statement of licensure	\$40
(1) Biennial renewal of a statement of licensure	\$40
(2) Penalty fee for failure to renew a statement of licensure timely	\$20
(k) Application fee for a certificate to use therapeutic pharmaceutical agents	\$25
(I) Application fee for approval of a continuing education course	\$100
(m) Application fee for a certificate to treat primary open angle glaucoma	\$50
(n) Application fee for a certificate to perform lacrimal irrigation and dilation	\$50
(o) Application fee for a retired license	\$25
(p) Application fee for a retired license with a volunteer designation	\$50
(q) Biennial renewal for a retired license with a volunteer designation	\$50
(r) Application fee for a certificate to operate as an owner and operator of a mobile optometric office	\$360
(s) Biennial renewal fee for a certificate to operate as an owner and operator of a mobile optometric office	\$360
(t) Delinquency fee for failure to renew a certificate to operate as an owner and operator of a mobile optometric office	\$150
(u) Application fee for a mobile optometric office permit	\$472
(v) Biennial renewal fee for a mobile optometric office permit	\$472
(w) Delinquency fee for failure to renew a mobile optometric office permit	\$150
(x) Application fee for a home residence permit is	<u>\$50</u>
(y) Renewal fee for a home residence permit is	<u>\$50</u>
(z) Delinquency fee for a home residence permit is	<u>\$25</u>

Note: Authority cited: Sections 3025, 3044, 3075, 3152 and 3152.5, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 163.5, 3055, <u>3070.1</u>, 3070.2, 3075, 3078, 3151, 3151.1, 3152 and 3152.5. Business and Professions Code.