



Proposed Text for Retired Licensure

(All language is new and proposed to be adopted.)

§1115. Retired Licensure.

- (a) <u>A retired license shall be issued to a registered dental hygienist (RDH)</u>, registered dental hygienist in alternative practice (RDHAP), or registered dental hygienist in extended functions (RDHEF) if the licensee meets the following requirements:
 - (1) Holds an active license or an inactive license that was not placed on inactive status as a result of revocation or suspension;
 - (2) Submits to the Board a completed "Application for a Retired RDH, RDHAP, or RDHEF License" DHBC RLC-01 (New 11/20), hereby incorporated by reference; and
 - (3) Submits an \$80 fee to the Board.
- (b) Once the Board has issued a retired license, the holder of a retired license shall:
 - (1) Be exempt from continuing education requirements;
 - (2) Be exempt from renewal of the retired license; and
 - (3) <u>Utilize his or her professional title only with the unabbreviated word "retired"</u> preceding or after the professional designation.
- (c) <u>The holder of a retired license shall not engage in any activity for which an active</u> <u>RDH, RDHAP, or RDHEF license is required.</u>
- (d) The Board shall not be prevented from investigating violations or taking action against a retired license for violations of laws governing the practice of dental hygiene.
- (e) To restore a license to active status, the holder of a retired license shall comply with the following requirements:
 - (1) Request to restore his or her license to active status within three (3) years of issuance of the retired license; and
 - (2) Submit a completed "Application for Reactivation of a Retired RDH, RDHAP, or RDHEF License" DHBC RLC-02 (New 10/20), hereby incorporated by reference;
 - (3) Payment of a \$160 fee as required by the Board;

- (4) Submit proof of completion of current continuing education requirements pursuant to 16 CCR sections 1016 and 1017; and
- (5) Comply with fingerprint submission requirements pursuant to 16 CCR section <u>1132.</u>
- (f) Should a licensee seek to restore their license more than three (3) years after issuance of the retired license, the licensee must file a new application for licensure.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 464, 1905, 1906, and 1944 Business and Professions Code. Reference cited: Sections 464, 1906, and 1944 Business and Professions Code.