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## Continuing Ed Deadline Looms Less Than a Year Remains

The first cosmetologist renewal under the new continuing education (CE) requirement will occur next September. Licensees will be required to complete a total of 24 hours of CE to renew, so they need to begin working on their CE if they haven't done so already. Review the course listing at our website at [www.nccosmeticarts.com](http://www.nccosmeticarts.com).

The CE requirement for the manicurist and esthetician renewal will require 8 hours per year. Their 2006 renewal has gone well thus far, with nearly half of all eligible licensees renewing on time. Licensees lacking CE hours have not been an issue at all, as this is the second renewal under

the CE requirement.

A new law was passed late in the short session of the General Assembly. The new law exempts cosmetologists who have completed 20 consecutive years of experience as of October 1, 2004, from CE requirements for renewal. This means that they must have been licensed by October 1, 1984. For example, if they completed 20 years of experience in 2005 they must still complete CE. The previous exemption remains unchanged with 10 years of experience AND 60 years of age. To ensure that qualified licensees receive their exemption status, they must complete an exemption form available on our website. Just be



sure to complete the appropriate exemption form and mail it in to us for entry into your file. They may also check on your CE completion status by using the "CE Credit Check" tool available on the home page of our website. Licensees not able to meet the renewal deadline will not lose their license, but simply cannot renew until completing CE requirements. Such situations will be considered late renewals.

## Internet CE Courses Available in January

Effective January 1, 2007, the Board has authorized CE providers to offer courses via the internet. The Board has initiated rules for licensees who select internet CE. Cosmetologists will be allowed to earn only 8 credit hours per 3 year licensing term, while

manicurists and estheticians will be allowed to complete 4 hours annually. Credit hours may be completed over the course of several days. CE providers will be charged a \$5 processing charge per student enrolled, payable at the end of each month. Provider application ma-

terials and rules will be updated and made available on our website by November 15. Internet courses will still be treated the same for CE approval purposes. Internet course methods will be reviewed again in October 2007 to determine its effectiveness.

## Schools/Shops Sanitation Update

The number of schools/shops receiving a B grade during July—September 2006 was 138. This is a sharp increase over last year, when 61 establishments were cited for various infractions. Inspectors strongly emphasize sanitation to all licensees. Salon owners must insure that all practitioners are properly licensed before working on the public.

### Schools:

**Carolina Beauty College  
Durham**

**Richmond Senior High School  
Rockingham**

**Asheville:  
Ci Ci Nails  
Hands on Spa  
Martina's Hair Studio & Tan**

**Cary:  
Stylist Studios  
Tucker  
Upper Cuts of Cary**

**Charlotte:  
A Total Experience Salon & Spa  
A Woman's Glory Beauty Salon  
Da-Vi Nails  
Galaxy Beauty Supply  
Hair Cuttery #2156  
Imagen Peluqueria Y Estetica  
Nails Atlantic  
N-Demand  
Tips 2 Toes  
Today's Nails  
Total Beauty**

**Clinton:  
JT Nails  
Perfect Nails By Cindy & John**

**Dunn:  
Clippendale Hair Artistry By  
Maelene  
Four Seasons Nails**

**Durham:  
A Touch From Above Hair  
Studio  
Carmen! Carmen! Prestige #242  
Fantastic Sams  
Foxy Nails  
K-Nails  
Mitchell's Hairstyling  
Nail Care  
Nailsations (2 consecutive  
months )  
Natural Nails (2 consecutive  
months)  
Peluqueria Ana  
Peluqueriay Sala De Belleza  
"Yous"**

**Elizabeth City:  
Jenny's Nail  
Nails By Julie**

**Fayetteville:  
#1 Nails  
Cameo's Hair and Nail Gallery  
Carson's Beauty Shop  
Crystal Nails  
Genders II Salon  
The Choppin Block**

**Goldsboro:  
Color Nails  
Nail Experts  
Nails Expert One  
Nails Trix  
Regal Nail  
Tips N Toes (2 consecutive  
months)**

**Greensboro:  
Cardinal Centre Salon  
Designs By Pam  
Luxury Nails  
Nail Fever  
Rose Nail 1  
Sister With Nails  
Visual Impressions Styling  
Studio**

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## Exams—Frequently Asked Questions

*Can I bring a model to my esthetician exam?*

Only through December! Effective January 2007, all exam candidates will be required to use the appropriate mannequin for the exam. Cosmetologists and manicurists have used mannequins with success for nearly two years. Test security and model safety has led the Board to require mannequins for all exams.

*I've just failed my manicurist exam for the third time. Will I have to complete further training?*

Yes, in a law passed in August

2006, manicurists, estheticians, teachers, and cosmetologists are now required to complete additional training should they fail either part of the exam for the third time. The Board issued the following policy concerning additional training hours:

Cosmetologist 200 hours

Esthetician 80 hours

Manicurist 40 hours

Teacher (with prior training)

cosmetology 100 hours

esthetician 80 hours

manicurist 40 hours

Teacher candidates (with no prior training)

cosmetology 800 hours

esthetician 650 hours

manicurist 320 hours

Candidates must successfully complete the teaching training program.

*Is the Board getting an exam room?*

Yes, only a half mile from our offices, we're busy working to obtain exam space. Unfortunately, the process is taking more time than anticipated and we hope to have the exam room open for business by December 1. We'll continue to use our Board room until then.

## Online Renewals Mark Early Success

During the October Board meeting, the agency announced the percentage of manicurist/esthetician online renewals. 885 licensees renewed prior to the deadline, 18% of the total renewal amount. Early estimates forecast a 6% usage, and 18% was unexpected. At this growth

rate, reaching a 25% online renewal is clearly possible. Agency license processors are excited at the opportunity to get licenses renewed and mailed in less than a week. This could make a huge difference in the high volume cosmetologist renewal in 2007. If 25 -

35% of licensees would renew online, we could cut our mailing turnaround time in half for all licensees. Our inspectors are spreading the word to salons so we can have a rapid salon renewal season too. Online renewals for salons will be available on December 1.

## Board Announces Move to Promissor Exam Facilities

A key part of our recent law change was authorizing the Board to schedule exams in a facility of their choice. Upon passage of the law, the Board opted to immediately send all written exams to Promissor facilities in Asheville, Huntersville

(Charlotte), Statesville, Raleigh, New Bern, and Wilmington. Using Promissor facilities enables more test times and dates, while increasing test locations throughout state. Practical exams are now being conducted at the Board's office in Ra-

leigh, until a nearby alternate exam site can be obtained. Additionally, Board examiners will conduct exams twice each year, beginning next March in Haywood Community College in Clyde and Coastal Carolina Community College in Jacksonville.

## Personnel Spotlight: Stefanie Shore

Stefanie Shore has worked with the Board for over 2 years, first as a temporary employee followed by permanent status in December 2004. Stefanie serves as our Enforcement Officer and works every Board meeting as meeting adminis-

trator. She has also worked countless hours on Board rules administration, website development, new form creation, and assisting in CE projects. Meanwhile, her fluency in Spanish has been invaluable to Hispanic licensees, assisting them with

obtaining personal and salon licenses. Stefanie received her Bachelor's degree from NC State and is getting married in late October. The happy couple will honeymoon in Guajuato, Mexico! Stefanie's hobbies include baking and travel.



*We're on the Web!*  
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## **BOARD MEETINGS**

**JANUARY 9, 2007**

**APRIL 17, 2007**

**JULY 10, 2007**

**Meetings are held at the Board Office:**

**1201 Front St., Ste. 110**

**Raleigh, NC 27609**

## **Back Page News Clips!**

- Joyce Thomas, cosmetology chair for Central Carolina Community College in Sanford, was recently selected as a "Top Ten" instructor for the entire community college system. Our congratulations for a job well done.
- Salon renewals begin on December 1, 2006 with a deadline of February 1, 2007. Be sure to send a money order of \$3 per active chair in your shop + \$10 processing fee, and avoid late fees. You may also choose to renew online beginning December 1.
- Following the 18% renewal rate for manicurist and esthetician licenses, we strongly encourage the use of online renewals. Renewing online is fast, easy, and results in a quick turnaround time to receive your license.
- Licensees can check their CE completion status on our website, by clicking on "CE Credit Check" on the home page, and following the instructions listed to find their individual file. Update your address while checking credit too.
- Continuing Education courses, including internet courses, submitted for Board approval in January, must arrive in the office by December 15, 2006.
- Board office direct line phone numbers (919 area code):

Salon Operations	715-3170
School Operations	733-7748
Personal Licenses	715-3178
Continuing Education	715-3174
Enforcement Officer	715-0018
Exam Processor	715-3171
Reciprocity Officer	733-7478
Operations Officer	715-3179