

# HEADLINES

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## CE Deadline Nears

### Internet credit expanded, Correspondence approved

With the license renewal deadline on October 1 and thousands of licensees still lacking required continuing education (CE), the Board made several moves to expedite CE availability and relax completion requirements.

The Board established a Curriculum Sub-Committee to approve all CE providers and new courses on a rolling basis. This allows courses to become available to licensees much faster than previous quarterly approvals. Submission deadlines for providers disappear, as the sub-committee will be meeting on a weekly basis until October.

The use of correspondence courses is also ap-

proved, paving the way for a new method of CE to become available. Internet credit has expanded to a maximum of 12 hours per licensing cycle for cosmetologists, while the rule limiting estheticians and manicurists to 4 hours and teachers to 8 hours of credit remains in place. Combined credit between internet and correspondence courses cannot exceed 50% of the total requirement for CE.

Finally, the Board will be offering a quarterly State Law and Sanitation course, to be held at our offices in Raleigh for \$5 per person. We'll offer a 2-hour course three times per day, beginning on September 17, at 8am, 11am, and 3pm. Maxi-



mum attendance will be 75 students. Inspector Terri Johnson will be the course instructor. To sign up for one of the course sessions, contact Stefanie Kuzdrall at [skuzdrall@nccosmeticarts.com](mailto:skuzdrall@nccosmeticarts.com).

Licensees can also review their CE credit total or make an address change at our website by clicking on CE Credit Check. Remember, providers have 10 days to submit CE attendance verification.

## Board Stresses Online Renewal Now!

The Board is offering online license renewals for all licensees. Initially, we've had a great response with over half of all licensees renewing online. Not only is online renewal fast and efficient, but saves money for the licensee too. We've reduced the processing fee

\$2 for those licensees renewing on our website. Total renewal charges for cosmetologists are \$47 (\$39 + \$8 processing fee) and for estheticians and manicurists the charge is \$18 (\$10 + \$8 processing fee). The online system will not renew licensees still requiring continuing

education credit or if they've entered the licensing cycle in mid-stream. Those licensees must renew by mail using a money order, and pay the full \$10 processing charge. Other licensees may still mail their renewal applications with the full processing fee.

## Schools/Shops Sanitation Update

The number of schools/shops receiving a B grade during April—June 2007 was 180. This shows a continued rise from 163 B grade establishments recorded during the previous quarter. Shop inspectors are paying special attention to equipment cleanliness after many nail salons were found using unclean nail implements.

### Schools

**Elizabeth Knight Academy of Cosmetic Arts, Sanford (2 insp.)**

**Saigon Nail College  
Greensboro (2 inspections)**

**Fayetteville Beauty College  
Fayetteville (2 inspections)**

**Richmond Senior High School  
Rockingham**

**Rowan-Cabarrus Community  
College, Salisbury**

**Blue Ridge Community College  
Flat Rock, NC**

**Dudley Cosmetology University  
Kernersville**

**Sherrill's University of Barber  
& Cosmetology, Raleigh**

### Salons

**Asheville:**  
Century Nails  
D.T. Nails  
Lee Nails  
Regis #2710

**Cary:**  
KB Nails  
Rose Nails  
Skin Sense

**Charlotte:**  
24 Hour Salon

4-Ever Nails  
Ann Nails  
Arcoiris  
Best Nails & Tan  
Central Nails  
Da-Vi Nails (2 inspections)  
Diamond Nails, Spa & Tan  
Elegant Nails (2 inspections)  
Elegant Nails & Spa  
Exquisite Nail & Spa  
Family Beauty Salon  
Fancy Nails & Jewelry  
Hair Cuttery #2156  
Hera by Him  
Hollywood Nails  
K & N Spa Nails  
K Nails & Spa  
Kim's Nails  
L N Nails  
Le Salon  
Lee Spa Nails  
LX Nails Spa & Tan (2 insp.)  
Manhattan Unisex  
Modern Elegance  
My Bella Spa  
My Nail Spa  
Nail Trix  
Nails Atlantic  
Nails Inn  
Nails of America  
Nails Trix  
Pro Nail  
Regal Nails  
Rose Nail  
Spa Nails  
Happy Nails  
Supercuts #8774  
T & Q Nails  
T H Nails  
T Nails  
The Beauty Shop II  
The Nail Shop  
Total Beauty  
US Nails Spa  
Van Nails  
V-Nails Salon  
Yolanda's Beauty Salon

**Concord:**  
Glamour Nails

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Nails Tek

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Nails Design  
T & A Nails

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# NIC to Provide State Exams in October

The National Interstate Council of State Cosmetology Boards (NIC) was selected unanimously by the Board to replace Promissor as the state board exam provider in a special called Board meeting on July 23. Citing delivery problems in the past and a desire to support an exam developed by an established cosmetic art organization, the Board decided to return to NIC after a three year hiatus. NIC President Rosanne Kinley and past-president Kirby Morris were in attendance for an interview and for the final selection. Morris emphasized NIC as a customer oriented

organization and promised to continue offering minimum time exam scoring, to which schools and students have become accustomed. NIC plans to conduct two school exam overviews on August 10 at the Board's office in Raleigh. Schools from across the state are invited to participate.

NIC will take over for Promissor on October 1, as written exams will be conducted at LaserGrade facilities in Cary, Clyde, Concord, Hudson, Jacksonville, Mocksville, New Bern, and Sanford. Additional facilities will be made available in southern

Virginia, northern South Carolina, northern Georgia, and eastern Tennessee. Many sites will be open 6 or 7 days per week. Practical exams will still be conducted 4 days each week in Raleigh, with once a year visits to Clyde and Jacksonville. We will continue to use Board employees for all practical exams, who will use advanced technologies to score immediate results.

The exam cost to students will increase, but the Board is negotiating an acceptable rate. New rates will be announced in late August on our website and in a letter to schools.

## New Rules Receive Board Approval

During the July Board meeting, 5 rules were created, updated, or changed. (1) As proof of microdermabrasion equipment training, operators will be required to post in their workplace proof of previous training (letter or certificate) from an approved cosmetic art school, equipment manufacturer, or from a Board

approved equipment training seminar. (2) Civil penalties are set for operating with an inactive license and for failure to retain footspa records. (3) School uniform exceptions may be requested for holiday wear and may be approved on a case basis. (4) CE providers will now include any individual in a

Board-approved employment capacity within the cosmetic arts industry. (5) An international applicant seeking license reciprocity will require passage of both practical and written exams prior to licensing. Eligibility will be based on a valid license, school completion documents, or salon employment.

## Automatic CE Exemptions In Place

On July 8, Governor Easley signed into law a change to the continuing education exemption requirement. The change now exempts ALL cosmetologists following their 20 year experience anniversary regardless of the date on which it occurs. Not only does it allow a greater number

of cosmetologists to be exempted, but it simplifies the way the Board will monitor and grant the exemption. Now the Board data system automatically exempts the license files of all cosmetologists with the 20 year anniversary. This has facilitated a smoother renewal for

thousands of licensees, as those who pass the 20 year date by October 1, 2007 will no longer be required to complete CE. To clarify any confusion, teachers who are exempted from CE for their cosmetologist license must still earn CE to keep their teacher's license active.

## NCEA Pitches Skin Care Certification

On July 11, Susanne Warfield, of the National Coalition of Estheticians, Manufacturers/Distributors & Associations (NCEA) presented a new certification program for skin care professionals that would show dedication to esthetics, promote

growth and advancement, demonstrate knowledge and comprehension, and better prepare the skin care professional for today's market. Candidates would use self study guides and complete knowledge reviews and/or attend an NCEA train-

ing facility to enhance esthetics skills. NCEA goals are to have state boards approve of the certification system. The new system would have no impact on current licensing regulations. NCEA seeks Board support and approval at the October meeting.

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## BOARD MEETINGS

**OCTOBER 2, 2007**

**JANUARY 8, 2008**

**APRIL 1, 2008**

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

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

**Raleigh, NC 27609**

## Board Promotes Website Use!

• The Board's website has never been more comprehensive and filled with useful information. Licenses can be renewed, CE hours can be checked, and license status can be reviewed. Several years worth of Headlines newsletters are also posted for your review. The continuing education course page now has a new look while allowing providers to update the system with new courses, dates and locations. Applications and forms can be "filled in" online, so the licensee can print, then sign and send the form back to us. Board meeting agendas and meeting minutes are uploaded as they become available for review. School listings for cosmetology, manicuring, and esthetics can be accessed by a link at the bottom of

the homepage. Even job vacancies are posted on our website. We're always looking for ways to improve the site and welcome licensee suggestions!

- Exam pass rate results for the first half of 2007 are:

	<u>Practical%</u>	<u>Written%</u>
Cos.	76.1	72.3
Man.	78.9	56.6
Esth.	76.1	85.4
Teacher	35.7	100

- Board office direct line phone numbers (919 area code):
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|----------------------|----------|
| Salon Operations     | 715-3170 |
| School Operations    | 733-7748 |
| Personal Licenses    | 715-3178 |
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| Exam Processor       | 715-3171 |
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