

Policy
Tennessee Board of Athletic Trainers

Enforcement of Rules Regarding Licensees Working On An Expired License

The Board of Athletic Trainers realizes that an individual may allow his/her license to expire. However, Tenn. Code Ann. § 63-24-103 prohibits a non-exempt individual from working as an athletic trainer unless he/she holds an active license. To the end of enforcing the statute and rules addressing the problem of an athletic trainer working on an expired license, the Board adopts the following procedures for reinstatement of an expired license.

1. Upon recognition by the licensee that his/her license has expired, the individual must immediately cease and desist from practicing as an athletic trainer, contact the Board administrator, and request a reinstatement application.
2. The individual must complete the reinstatement application in its entirety along with a detailed work history from the date the license expired. The application must be signed before a notary and returned to the Board administrator, along with documentation of all required continuing education requirements and payment of applicable fees.
3. Once the completed reinstatement application and all required documentation is received, the Board administrator may immediately reinstate the license only if the license has been expired for a period of no more than one (1) month.
4. If the reinstatement application indicates that the applicant has worked for a time period between one (1) and three (3) months on an expired license, the licensee will be assessed a penalty in the amount of \$150 per month, for each month worked from the date of the expired license. After all fees are paid, the Board administrator may immediately reinstate the license.
5. If the reinstatement application indicates that the applicant has worked for a time period between three (3) and six (6) months on an expired license, the licensee will be assessed a penalty in the amount of \$200 per month, for each month worked from the date of the expired license. After all fees and civil penalties are paid, the Board administrator may immediately reinstate the license.
6. If the reinstatement application indicates that the applicant has worked for a time period greater than six (6) months on an expired license, the licensee's file will be forwarded to the Department of Health, Office of General Counsel for potential formal disciplinary action. However, if the Office of General Counsel opens a case for formal disciplinary action against the applicant and receives a signed consent order or agreed order, the Board administrator may immediately reinstate the license prior to the consent order or agreed order being ratified by the Board.

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