

## CHAPTER 14 - COSMETIC ART EXAMINERS

### SUBCHAPTER 14A – DEPARTMENTAL RULES

#### SECTION .0100 – ORGANIZATION RULES

##### 21 NCAC 14A .0101 DEFINITIONS

In addition to the definitions set forth in G.S. 88B-2, the following definitions apply in this Chapter:

- (1) "Beauty Establishment" refers to both cosmetic art schools and cosmetic art shops.
- (2) "Clean" is the removal of visible and surface debris, then washing with soap and water, using a detergent or chemical cleaner that prepares non-porous items for disinfection and reduces the number and slows the growth of pathogens on both porous and non-porous surfaces.
- (3) "Cosmetology School" is any cosmetic art school that teaches cosmetic art as defined by G.S. 88B-2(5), but is not solely a manicurist or an esthetics school.
- (4) "Cosmetology Student" is a student in any cosmetic art school whose study is the full curriculum.
- (5) "Esthetician School" is any cosmetic art school that teaches only the cosmetic art of skin care.
- (6) "Esthetician Student" is a student in any cosmetic art school whose study is limited to the esthetician curriculum set forth in 21 NCAC 14T .0604.
- (7) "Licensing cycle" shall be as follows:
  - (a) for cosmetologists, the licensing cycle is a three-year period beginning on the first day of October and ending the first day of October of the third year in the period and continuing thereafter in three year intervals;
  - (b) for estheticians, natural hair care specialists and manicurists, the licensing cycle is one year in length beginning on the first day of October and ending on the next first day of October;
  - (c) for teachers, the licensing cycle is a two-year period beginning on the first day of October of an even-numbered year and ending on the next first day of October of the next even-numbered year.
- (8) "Manicurist School" is a cosmetic art school that teaches only the cosmetic art of manicuring.
- (9) "Manicurist Student" is a student in any cosmetic art school whose study is limited to the manicurist curriculum set forth in 21 NCAC 14T .0605.
- (10) "Natural hair care school" is a cosmetic art school that teaches only the cosmetic art of natural hair care.
- (11) "Natural hair care student" is a student in any cosmetic art school whose study is limited to the natural hair care curriculum set forth in 21 NCAC 14T .0606.
- (12) "Porous" is a material that has minute spaces or holes through which liquid or air may pass such as paper, foam, and wood. Porous may also be called permeable, penetrable, or cellular.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 88B-2; 88B-4;  
Eff. February 1, 1976;  
Amended Eff. June 1, 1993; October 1, 1991; May 1, 1991; January 1, 1989;  
Temporary Amendment Eff. January 1, 1999;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2012; July 1, 2010; December 1, 2008; May 1, 2005; December 1, 2004;  
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##### 21 NCAC 14A .0102 PHYSICAL ADDRESS

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 88-23; 150B-11(1);  
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Amended Eff. April 1, 1988;  
Repealed Eff. January 1, 1989.

**21 NCAC 14A .0103 OFFICE HOURS**

*History Note: Authority G.S. 88B-4  
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Amended Eff. August 1, 2000; January 1, 1989;  
Repealed Eff. July 1, 2010.*

**21 NCAC 14A .0104 ADDRESS**

- (a) The address for the Board is 121 Edinburgh South Drive, Suite 209, Cary, NC 27511.
- (b) The Board website shall be located at [www.nccosmeticarts.com](http://www.nccosmeticarts.com).

*History Note: Authority G.S. 88B-6;  
Eff. February 1, 1976;  
Amended Eff. January 1, 2015; August 1, 1998; December 6, 1991; January 1, 1989; April 1, 1988;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 13, 2015;  
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**21 NCAC 14A .0105 PURPOSE AND RESPONSIBILITY**

*History Note: Authority G.S. 88B-2; 88B-13; 88B-20; 88B-21;  
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Amended Eff. January 1, 1989; April 1, 1988;  
Temporary Amendment Eff. January 1, 1999;  
Repealed Eff. August 1, 2000.*

**SECTION .0200 - BOARD OF COSMETIC ART EXAMINERS**

- 21 NCAC 14A .0201 POWERS OF THE BOARD**
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*History Note: Authority G.S. 88-13; 88-14; 88-23; 93B-5;  
Eff. February 1, 1976;  
Repealed Eff. April 1, 1988.*

**SECTION .0300 - DEFINITIONS**

- 21 NCAC 14A .0301 DEFINITIONS**
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*History Note:* Authority G.S. 88; 88-2; 88-3; 88-4; 88-5;  
88-6; 88-7; 88-8; 88-9;  
Eff. February 1, 1976;  
Repealed Eff. April 1, 1988.

## **SECTION .0400 - LICENSE WAIVER FOR ARMED FORCES**

### **21 NCAC 14A .0401 LICENSE WAIVER FOR ARMED FORCES**

(a) Licensees in good standing and serving in the Armed Forces of the United States, or the spouse of an individual in good standing and serving in the Armed Forces of the United States, are allowed an extension on the license renewal payment and required continuing education hours as permitted G.S. 93B-15.

(b) Individuals holding current and valid licensure as determined by G.S. 93B-15.1 may apply for licensure with the Board by providing a copy of the current and valid license along with a the license application, fees, and documentation of military experience or training.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 93B-15; 93B-15.1;  
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Amended Eff. August 1, 2014;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 13, 2015;  
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### **21 NCAC 14A .0402 DUPLICATE LICENSES**

(a) A licensee may request a duplicate license by submitting a written application and a duplicate license fee to the Board.

(b) All overpayments will be returned to the submitting applicant or licensee.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 88B-20;  
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### **21 NCAC 14A .0403 ADDITIONAL SALON CHAIRS**

Salon owners may request an additional salon booth licensure by submitting written application including name, license number, and additional booth fees to the Board.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 88B-14; 88B-20;  
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### **21 NCAC 14A .0404 FEES**

(a) Fees and civil penalties paid by personal checks that are returned for any reason shall be treated in the same manner as though no fee had been tendered and the bank's returned check fee, not to exceed thirty-five dollars (\$35.00), shall be assessed to the account holder. All subsequent payments must be submitted via credit card, money order, or certified check.

(b) All moneys tendered in payment of fees shall be in the exact amount required for said fees. No part of a fee submitted to the Board per G.S. 88B-20 shall be refundable.

(c) Licenses, certifications, duplicates, inactivations, or reactivations shall not be processed until all fees and assessed civil penalties are paid in full.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 25-3-506; 88B-4; 88B-20;  
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