

**PROPOSED CHANGES to the OT Renewal FEES
July 2009**

NOTE: New Changes **Bold and underlined**; ~~deleted words have a strike through them~~

Discussion: The Board's 2009-2011 approved budget is \$361,756. The Board has a large ending balance, licensee numbers continue to increase and there are cost savings from two-year licensing and other efficiencies. The Board voted at the July 17, 2009 Board meeting to lower the renewal fees by \$10 per year for both Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapy Assistants for the May 2010 renewal.

339-005-0000 Fees

Two year licenses shall be issued to all licensees in even-numbered years at the fee schedule listed below. On a case-by-case basis the Board may approve the issuance of a one-year license.

- (1) The fee for an initial Oregon or out of state occupational therapy license by endorsement is \$100.
- (2) The two-year renewal fee issued for the occupational therapy license is \$170 **150**.
- (3) The fee for an initial Oregon or out of state occupational therapy assistant license is \$70.
- (4) The two-year renewal fee for the occupational therapy assistant license is \$120 **100**.
- (5) The fee for a limited permit is \$25 and may not be renewed.
- (6) The fee for delinquent payment is \$50 and is due on renewal applications not renewed before May 1.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 675.320(7)

Notice of Rulemaking and Statement of Need follow on next pages:

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING*
A Statement of Need and Fiscal Impact accompanies this form.

Occupational Therapy Licensing Board	339
Agency and Division Number	Administrative Rules Chapter
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RULE CAPTION

Reduce renewal fees for OT and OT Assistants by \$10 per year (\$20 for 2 year licensing).

RULEMAKING ACTION

Secure approval of new rule numbers (Adopted or Renumbered rules) with the Administrative Rules Unit prior to filing
ADOPT:

AMEND: OAR 339-005-0000

REPEAL:

RENUMBER:

AMEND & RENUMBER:

Stat. Auth.: ORS 675.320(7)

Other Auth.:

Stats. Implemented: ORS

RULE SUMMARY

Reduces renewal fees for Occupational Therapists for a two year license from \$170 to \$150
Reduces renewal fees for Occupational Therapy Assistants for a two year license from \$120 to \$100

The agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing the negative economic impact of the rule on business.

Jan. 1, 2010

Last Day for Public Comment (Last day to submit written comments to the Rules Coordinator)

	Felicia Holgate	7/30/09
Signature	Printed name	Date

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STATEMENT OF NEED AND FISCAL IMPACT

A Notice of Proposed Rulemaking or a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Hearing accompanies this form

Occupational Therapy Licensing Board

Agency and Division

Administrative Rules Chapter Number 339

In the Matter of: Occupational Therapy Licensing Board fee reduction

Rule Caption: Reduce renewal fees for OT and OT Assistants by \$10 per year

Statutory Authority: ORS 675.320(7)

Other Authority:

Stats. Implemented:

Need for the Rule(s): *Occupational Therapy Licensing Board has large ending balance*

Documents Relied Upon, and where they are available: *Board minutes; OTLB Board Budget 2009-2010*

Fiscal & Economic Impact, including Statement of Cost of Compliance: *Although Agency budget for 2009-2011 will have some reduction in revenue, the continued increase in license numbers, stable budget, and lower expenditures will not affect the overall revenue needed for the Board*

How were small businesses involved in the development of this rule? *Will reduce their renewal fees*

Administrative Rule Advisory Committee consulted? *OT Association of Oregon, Pacific University and all Interested parties were advised of reduction in fees*

If not, why?

Signature

Felicia Holgate

Printed Name

7/30/09

Date