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2022 CERTIFICATE EXPIRATION and RENEWAL INFORMATION

By a proposed administrative rule revision, the Building Codes Division will be pushing back the expiration and renewal date for all inspector certifications from November 1, 2022 to **June 1, 2023**. All certifications will continue to renew on June 1 every three years thereafter.

Currently the Oregon Inspector Certification (OIC) expires and is subject to renewal on November 1 every three years. October 1 is the typical adoption date for new editions of the Oregon specialty codes. The overlap between code adoption and renewal dates has caused confusion for certification holders attempting to complete any approved code update training required to renew their specialty certification(s) and their OIC by November 1. The division is proposing to change its rules that link the OIC and specialty certification renewal dates and implementing other changes to the renewal process to better allow certification holders to complete their required code update training in a timely manner.

Proposed amendments to OAR 918-098-1028 are anticipated to become effective on October 1, 2022. The amendments will change the expiration and renewal date for the OIC and for Oregon specialty code certifications from November 1, 2022 to **June 1, 2023**. Oregon inspector certifications will continue to expire and be subject to renewal every three years thereafter. Certification holders must be able to demonstrate that they have completed all required code update training and continuing education for both the 2021 and 2022 code updates prior to their next renewal.

The new renewal date will align the expiration of the OIC with the expiration of any specialty code certification(s) and provide additional time for specialty certification holders to complete any required code update training.

The division will send all OIC holders a renewal notification to the certification holder's last address on file with the division at least 45 days prior to the new **June 1, 2023** certification expiration date. It is the responsibility of the certification holder to notify the division of a change of address. You will also need to renew any specialty certifications that you may hold by **June 1, 2023**. Renewal of specialty certifications requires completing any code change update class required by the division if you receive a written notice from the division of your need to complete such training.

Please disregard any notices that you may receive with a November 1, 2022 renewal date. The proposed rule amendments are anticipated to be effective October 1, 2022. Under the proposed amendments all OIC and specialty certifications will expire on **June 1, 2023** and must be renewed by this date.

- You can review the background of this rule change at <u>Oregon.gov/bcd/laws-rules/Pages/adopted-rules.aspx.</u>
- You can provide the division with your updated address at: <u>Oregon.gov/bcd/inspector-certs/Pages/address-change.aspx</u>.
- You can view your current state specialty code inspector certifications at: Oregon.gov/bcd/licensing/Pages/search.aspx.
- Check to see if you completed your 2021 code change training at: <u>Oregon.gov/bcd/inspector-training/Pages/code-change-reg.aspx</u>.