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## **JUNE 30, 2021 – JULY 1, 2022 RULES SUSPENSION**

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### **Effective June 30, 2021, until July 1, 2022:**

- Completed Renewal Applications **remain due on the 1st of an LMT's birth month.** However, late fees will be waived until July 1, 2022, allowing Licensees additional time to renew their license without a penalty.

*Please note: the suspension of the late fees required by OAR 334-010-0015 **will expire on July 1, 2022.** At this time, the late fee will be reinstated, and LMTs due to renew will be assessed late fees if a completed renewal is not received by the 1st day of an LMT's renewal month*

- LMTs who do not complete the renewal application by the last day of their birth month will lapse. This rule has not been suspended or waived.
- The number of required CE hours is **reduced from 25 hours to 12 hours** for completed renewal applications received in the Board office *between June 30, 2021, to July 1, 2022 only.* ORS 687.051 (5) requires renewal applicants to complete a minimum of 12 CE hours. The Board is unable to waive or suspend statutory requirements and is unable to reduce the minimum hours to less than the 12 hours required by statute.

*Please note: Renewal Applications submitted July 1, 2022, or incomplete renewal applications submitted prior July 1, 2022 and not completed by July 1, 2022 must complete the 25 CE hours, including a minimum of 15 contact hours, as required by OAR 334-010-0015.*

- The requirement of "contact" or "classroom" hours is waived until July 1, 2022. The 12 required CE hours may be contact, non-contact, or both.
- **The one-hour Cultural Competency** CE is a statutory requirement under ORS 413.450 **and must be completed.** The Cultural Competency may be completed as either a "non-contact" or a "contact" CE course and may be applied towards the 12 required CE hours.
- The Pain Management Module, provided by the **Oregon Pain Management Commission (OPMC)**, available on the Board's website, remains a requirement and must be completed. The Pain Management Module may be counted as 1 hour of non-contact towards the 12 hour CE requirement.
- Current Basic Life Support certification at the time of renewal remains a requirement. The BLS course can be "in-person" or completed online, and the hours spent obtaining BLS Certification may be counted towards the 12 required CE hours.
- The 4-hour Ethics, Boundaries and Communication requirement is suspended for completed renewal applications received between June 30, 2021, and July 1, 2022. Renewal applications received **during this time period** do not have to include four hours of Ethics, Boundaries, or Communication.
- Renewal Applications submitted **after July 1, 2022, including incomplete renewal applications** submitted prior to July 1, 2022 and not completed by July 1, 2022, must complete the 25 CE hours required by OAR 334-010-0015, including a minimum of 15 contact hours, and the Ethics, Boundaries, and Communication requirement.