

# OREGON BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

## Rulemaking Q&A

*Licensure by endorsement, post-doctoral supervised work experience, and fee reductions.*

**1. Q. When does the Board’s rule change become effective?**

A. January 1, 2024

**2. Q. What will these amendments do?**

A. The proposed rule changes are summarized as follows:

- Licensing fees will be reduced (see Q #3, below).
- Changes to the Standard Application process:
  - Eliminates the requirement for 3 Professional Reference Forms; and
  - Eliminates the requirement for a University Director of Training Reference Form.
- Changes to the process for Application by Endorsement (those licensed in other states):
  - Eliminates the requirement for 3 Endorsement Reference Forms;
  - Eliminates the requirement for a “file transfer” from the other licensing board (or ASPPB CPQ or National Register HSPP or ABPP)<sup>1</sup>;
  - Removes the requirement for an EPPP score verification for psychologists licensed 15 years or more;
  - Allows qualifying applicants with foreign degrees to apply for licensure by endorsement if they have been licensed in a jurisdiction that is a member jurisdiction of the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards for at least 5 years (previously the standard application was required)<sup>2</sup>; and
  - Applicants will attest to their duration of active psychologist licensure rather than a requirement that other jurisdictions verify it on the License Verification Form.
- Changes to the supervised clinical experience requirements:
  - For post-doc work experience completed in other states, removes the requirement that the psychologist supervisor have been licensed for at least two years<sup>3</sup>; and

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<sup>1</sup> Note that the Board will continue to accept documentation of transcript, post-doc, and EPPP score from the other state or credentialing body as primary source verification when sent directly from those sources.

<sup>2</sup> There are additional documents required for foreign degree applicants licensed less than 15 years, including the Education Record in Psychology form, the University Director of Training Reference Form, Internship Site Director Reference Form, and verification of pre-doctoral experience qualifications.

<sup>3</sup> Note that for Oregon residency contracts, the requirement remains that the supervisor must have at least two years of licensure as a psychologist (in Oregon or another state).

- For endorsement applicants with between 5 and 15 years of psychologist licensure, removes the requirement that the one year (12 months) of post-doc included the minimum 1,500 hours of psychological services and weekly supervision frequency requirements.<sup>4</sup>
- Other amendments include reorganization of to the licensure by endorsement rules for clarity and readability improvements.

**3. Q. Which fees are being reduced and by how much?**

A. The following changes will take effect on January 1, 2024.

<b>Board of Psychology – FEE REDUCTIONS</b>			
<b>Fee Type</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Change</b>
Active License Biennial Renewal	\$780	\$600	-23%
Semi-Active License Biennial Renewal	\$390	\$300	-23%
Inactive License Biennial Renewal	\$105	\$90	-14%
Temporary Practice Authorization	\$900	\$700	-22%

**4. Q. I want my fee reduced earlier than January 1, 2024. Is that possible?**

A. No. This would mean granting a variance to the rules, which is not only arbitrary and unfair to other fee-paying licensees, but also illegal.

**5. Q. Can I get the application process changes applied to me before 2024?**

A. No. Again, no variances can be granted to the rules. However, once effective, the changes will apply to current applicants who applied prior to January 1, 2024.

**6. Q. Can I still submit a public comment on this package of amendments?**

A. No. The Board issued a [Notice of Proposed Rulemaking](#) on September 14, 2023, and accepted comments from members of the public until October 25, 2023.

**7. Q. Can I contact individual Board members to express my opinions on the rules?**

A. It is not appropriate to contact individual Board members to attempt to lobby for a particular position or action. Board members are not able to speak as individuals about a Board matter or make any individual decisions outside of the full Board. Please maintain professional boundaries and do not put your colleagues in this position.

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<sup>4</sup> The minimum one year (12 months) is of post-doc is still required.