To restore use of OT and OTA as consistent with the OT Practice Act.

TITLE 40 SOCIAL SERVICES AND ASSISTANCE

PART 12 TEXAS BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

EXAMINERS

CHAPTER 364 REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE

RULE §364.1 Requirements for Licensure

(a) All applicants shall:

- (1) submit a complete, notarized application form or online application with a recent passport-type color photograph of the applicant;
- (2) submit a non-refundable application fee as set by the Executive Council;
- (3) submit a successfully completed board jurisprudence examination on the Texas Occupational Therapy Practice Act and board rules;
- (4) have completed an accredited OT/OTA program;
- (5) have completed supervised fieldwork experience, a minimum of 6 months for OT and 2 months for OTA.
- (b) If the applicant has not passed the national licensure examination, the applicant must also meet the requirement in §364.2 of this title (relating to Initial License by Examination).
- (c) If the applicant is licensed as an Occupational Therapist OTR or Occupational Therapy Assistant COTA in another state, jurisdiction of the U.S., or U.S. military, the applicant must also meet the requirements as stated in §364.4 of this title (relating to Licensure by Endorsement).
- (d) An application for license is valid for one year after the date it is received by the board.
- (e) An applicant who submits an application containing false information may be denied a license by the board.
- (f) Should the board reject an application for license, the reasons for the rejection will be communicated in writing to the applicant. The applicant may submit additional information and request reconsideration by the Board. If the applicant remains dissatisfied, a hearing may be requested as specified in the Act.
- (g) Applicants and licensees must notify the board in writing of changes in name, residential address, and work address within 30 days of the change.
- (h) The Board will issue a replacement copy of a license to replace one lost or destroyed upon receipt of a written request and the appropriate fee from the licensee. For a name change, the appropriate fee and a copy of the legal document (marriage certificate, divorce decree) enacting the name change must accompany the request.
- (i) The first regular license is valid from the date of issuance until the last day of the applicant's birth month, with a duration of at least two years.
- (j) Licensees will follow the rules for continuing education, as described in Chapter 367 of this title (relating to Continuing Education).