

# **Electrology**

## **New Facility or New Ownership**

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### **Licensure Methods and Requirements**

- Licensure is required for new facilities or existing licensed facilities that have new owners.
- A new application must be submitted when ownership changes.
- No license for operation of an electrology facility may be transferred from the name of the licensee to the name of another person. If a facility is sold, the new owner must apply to the Department for licensure and no electrolysis services may be performed in the facility after the sale until the new owner has received the required license from the Department. A person purchasing an electrology facility may apply to the Department for licensure prior to the date of purchase.
- While the general rule is that all electrology facilities must be licensed, a facility that is located in a doctor's office or other medical facility may not be required to be licensed under certain conditions. In order to assist the Electrolysis Council in making this determination, please complete the Employment Verification Form supplied in the attached Supplemental Documentation Section. If it is determined that your facility is exempt from licensure, any applicable fees will be refunded to you. If there is any change in employment status in an exempt facility (such as changing from employee to independent contractor), you must notify the council office at once to determine whether licensure will be required.
- Required equipment and safety and sanitary requirements are listed in Rule 64B8-51.006, F.A.C. Compliance with these requirements is mandatory upon inspection.
- Practicing in or allowing the practice of electrolysis in an unlicensed facility is punishable by a fine from \$250 to \$5,000 and other disciplinary penalties up to denial of licensure of the facility. The Electrologist as well as the facility owner may be fined and/or disciplined by the Board of Medicine.
- Upon completion of the application and prior to licensure, the department will make arrangements to send an inspector from the Department of Health to the facility to determine compliance with the law and rules.
- The inspector will have an inspection form upon which compliance is documented. A copy will be supplied to the applicant by the inspector. This form must be displayed in a conspicuous location within the facility.
- When the department determines that the proposed electrology facility has met the requirements set forth by rule, the applicant will be issued a license.
- When an applicant fails to meet all the requirements provided in this section, the agency shall deny the application in writing and shall list the specific requirements not met. No applicant denied licensure because of failure to meet the requirements shall be precluded from reapplying for licensure.

### **Transfer of Facility**

- When a licensed facility is transferring locations, the old facility license must be surrendered with the transfer of location application.
- Required equipment and safety and sanitary requirements are listed in Rule 64B8-51.006, F.A.C. Compliance with these requirements is mandatory upon inspection.
- Upon completion of the transfer of location application, the council office will notify the applicant (facility license holder) that a request for inspection has been made. Upon receipt of the completion letter, electrolysis services may be performed in the new location up to 60 days, commencing with the first day of practice in the new facility.
- Please notify the council office if your facility is not inspected within 60 days.
- The inspector will have an inspection form upon which compliance is documented. A copy will be supplied to the applicant (facility license holder) by the inspector. This form must be displayed in a conspicuous location within the facility.

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- When the department determines that the transferred facility has met the requirements set forth by rule, a new license will be issued.
- If a transferred facility does not meet the requirements upon inspection set forth by rule, a new license will not be issued until the specific requirements have been met.