# Rules of
## Department of Commerce and Insurance
### Division 2210—State Board of Optometry
#### Chapter 1—Organization and Description of Board

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20 CSR 2210-1.010 General Organization

PURPOSE: This rule describes the board’s operation and the methods and procedures where the public may obtain information or make submissions or requests.

(1) Whenever used in 20 CSR 2210, the word board means the State Board of Optometry.

(2) The State Board of Optometry is a unit of the Division of Professional Registration in the Department of Commerce and Insurance.

(3) The board was created by an Act of the 51st General Assembly in 1921.

(4) The board consists of five (5) licensed doctors of optometry and one (1) public member. The governor appoints the members of the board, with the advice and consent of the senate, from nominees submitted by the director of the Division of Professional Registration. The terms of the licensed doctors are five (5) years and the term of the public member is four (4) years.

(5) The board is authorized by section 336.160, RSMo to adopt rules for the application and enforcement of Chapter 336, RSMo.

(6) The board has superintending control over the practice of optometry within this state. The board’s primary duties consist of—

(A) Examining and licensing of applicants;
(B) Approving colleges of optometry;
(C) Accrediting continuing education programs for license renewal; and
(D) Censuring, suspending, probating, or revoking licenses of any doctor found guilty of violating the prohibitions of Chapter 336, RSMo.

(7) Unless otherwise provided by statute or regulation, regular and special meetings of the board are guided by Robert’s Rules of Order.

(8) The public may obtain information from the board or make submissions or requests to the board by writing the State Board of Optometry.


20 CSR 2210-1.020 Board Member Compensation

PURPOSE: This rule fixes the compensation for the members of the State Board of Optometry in compliance with the mandates of section 336.140, RSMo.

(1) Each member of the board may receive the sum of fifty dollars ($50) as compensation for each day that member devotes to the affairs of the board.

(2) In addition to the compensation fixed in this rule, each member is entitled to reimbursement of his/her expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of his/her official duties.

(3) No request for compensation provided may be processed for payment unless sufficient funds are available for that purpose within the appropriations for this board.
