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4 CSR 150-6.010 Definitions

PURPOSE: This rule defines and describes some terms as they are used in this regulation.

Editor's Note: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of this rule in its entirety would be unduly cumbersome or expensive. The entire text of the material referenced has been filed with the secretary of state. This material may be found at the Office of the Secretary of State or at the headquarters of the agency and is available to any interested person at a cost established by state law.

(1) As used in this rule, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the following terms mean:

(A) Academic year—a continuous nine (9)-month session in an athletic trainer program;

(B) Team physician or consulting physician—a person who is licensed as a physician and is either an M.D or D.O.;

(C) Basic athletic training course—curriculum involving the following didactic topics per semester hours:

1. Prevention and Care of Athletic Injuries (3)
2. Injury Evaluations (3)
3. Administration of Athletic Training (2)
4. Emergency Medical Care (2)
5. Therapeutic Exercise and Modalities (3)
6. Human Anatomy (4)
7. Essentials of Nutrition (3)
8. Personal Health (3)
9. Introductory Psychology (3)
10. Biomechanics and Kinesiology (3) and
11. Exercise Physiology (3);

(D) Direct supervision—daily personal contact between the certified athletic trainer and the clinical experience student, that is, perspective applicant;

(E) Certified athletic trainer—National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA) certified athletic trainer;

(F) Educational quality equal—as defined in Competencies in Athletic Training as published by the NATA, available upon request from this office or upon request from the NATA, 1101 East Fourth Street, Greenville, NC 27858, (919)752-1725; and

(G) Athletic trainer—any person who, in any manner, represents him/herself as an athletic trainer, or who uses in connection with his/her name the words or letters athletic trainer, trainer, registered athletic trainer, certified athletic trainer, A.T., A.T.C., A.T.R., C.A.T., R.A.T. or any other letters, word abbreviations, or insignia indicating or implying that s/he is an athletic trainer.

4 CSR 150-6.020 Applicants for Licensure as Athletic Trainers

PURPOSE: This rule provides requirements to applicants desiring permanent licensure in Missouri to practice as athletic trainers.

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(1) The applicant is required to make application upon a form prescribed by the board.

(2) No application will be considered unless fully and completely made out on the specified form and properly attested.

(3) Proof which is acceptable to the board of experience and educational quality equal to that mentioned in section 334.706.1(1), RSMo is set forth in materials which are incorporated by reference and retained at the office of the board. The materials can be summarized in that the results of a role delineation study completed in March 1982 by the National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA) Board of Certification in conjunction with the Professional Examination Service, New York, New York, serve as a primary basis for the development of a list of competencies. The role delineation study was designed to identify actual job responsibilities and tasks performed by certified athletic trainers in high schools, colleges, and professional athletic organizations throughout the United States and was conducted in an attempt to establish a valid base for construction of the national certification examination for athletic trainers. The list of competencies subsequently developed by the NATA Professional Education Committee serves as a guide to the development of educational programs leading to certification as an athletic trainer and is intended to assist both instructional personnel and students in identifying knowledge and skills to be mastered. Thus, educational backgrounds of registered athletic trainers in Missouri should follow these competencies. The competencies identified are categorized according to seven (7) major tasks comprising the role of the certified athletic trainer:

(A) Prevention of athletic injuries/illnesses;
(B) Evaluation and recognition of athletic injuries/illnesses and medical referral;
(C) First aid and emergency care;
(D) Rehabilitation and reconditioning;
(E) Organization and administration;
(F) Counseling and guidance; and
(G) Education. Although the necessary competencies identified for each major task are not stated as such, they are listed wherever appropriate according to the following commonly accepted method of classifying behavioral objectives:

1. Cognitive domain (knowledge and intellectual skills); Psychomotor domain (manipulative and motor skills), and affective domain (attitudes and values). The materials will be made available to any interested person, upon written request, at a cost not to exceed the actual cost of reproduction.

(4) The board shall charge each person applying for licensure to practice as an athletic trainer an appropriate fee which will be established by the board. The fee shall be sent with the application and in the form of a bank draft, postal money order or express money order. (Personal checks will not be accepted.)

4 CSR 150-6.030 Registration by Reciprocity

PURPOSE: This rule provides information to those applicants desiring registration by reciprocity.
(1) The board shall grant, without examination, registration to any qualified nonresident athletic trainer holding a license or registration in another state if that other state recognizes registrants of Missouri in the same manner.

(2) The applicant is required to make application upon a form prescribed by the board.

(3) No application will be considered unless fully and completely made out on the specified form and properly attested.

(4) The board shall charge to an appropriate fee which will be established by the board each person applying for registration by reciprocity as an athletic trainer. The fee shall be sent with the application and in the form of a bank draft, postal money order or express money order. (Personal checks will not be accepted.)


*Original authority 334.125, RSMo (1959); 334.706.3(2), RSMo (1983).

4 CSR 150-6.040 Code of Ethics

PURPOSE: This rule provides an ethical standard for persons registered as athletic trainers to follow.

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(1) The board and the Missouri Athletic Trainer Advisory Committee adopt and incorporate by reference the National Athletic Trainers’ Association, Inc. (NATA) Code of Ethics. A copy of the NATA’s Code of Ethics is retained at the office of the board and is available to any interested person at a cost established by state law.


*Original authority 334.125, RSMo (1959); 334.706.3(2), RSMo (1983)

4 CSR 150-6.050 Fees

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the various fees which the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts will charge pursuant to Chapter 334, RSMo.

(1) The following fees are established by the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts:

(A) Registration With Examination Fee $150.00;
(B) Registration Fee $100.00;
(C) Renewal Fee $ 50.00;
(D) Reinstatement Fee $ 10.00; and
(E) Endorsement Fee $ 25.00.

(2) All fees are nonrefundable.

(3) The provisions of this rule are declared severable. If any fee fixed by this rule is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction or by the Administrative Hearing Commission, the remaining provisions of this rule shall remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or by the Administrative Hearing Commission.


*Original authority 334.125, RSMo (1959); 334.706.3(2), RSMo (1983)