

***Extracts from College of TCM Practitioners & Acupuncturists of BC Bylaws***

**Non-practising registration**

52. (1) A full or grandparented registrant may be granted non-practising registration by the registration committee where the registrant has delivered to the registrar
- (a) a signed application for non-practising registration in a form approved by the registration committee
  - (b) the application fee specified in Schedule "F", and
  - (c) a statutory declaration that he or she will not practise anywhere in British Columbia, Canada within the scope of practice as defined in section 4 of the regulation while registered under this section.
- (2) A non-practising registrant may not provide the services specified in the Regulation in the Province of British Columbia, Canada.
- (3) A non-practising registrant may be reinstated in accordance to section 58.

**Registration renewal**

56. (1) To be eligible for renewal of registration, a full, grandparented, limited, student, non-practising or temporary registrant must :
- (a) apply to the registrar,
  - (b) pay the registration renewal fee specified in Schedule "F",
  - (c) pay any other outstanding fee, debt or levy owed to the college,
  - (d) attest that he or she is in compliance with the *Act*, the regulations, and these bylaws, and is in compliance with any limits or conditions imposed under section 39(1)(c) of the *Act*, and
  - (e) provide proof of having completed any registration renewal requirements shown under section 57.
- (2) Notice of the fees must be delivered to each registrant no later than February 10 and must describe the consequences of late payment and non-payment of fees.
- (3) Each registrant must pay to the college the registration renewal fee on or before March 31.
- (4) The annual registration renewal fee may be paid in advance installments where approved by the board.
- (5) On payment of the registration renewal fee, and any arrears, the registrar must issue to the registrant making payment a receipt bearing the seal of the college and stating that the registrant is, subject to his or her compliance with the *Act*, the regulations, and the bylaws, entitled to practise the profession of acupuncture or traditional Chinese herbology or traditional Chinese medicine in the Province of British Columbia as a registrant of the college.
- (6) Where a registrant fails to pay a registration renewal fee on or before March 31, he or she ceases to be registered.

**Conditions of Registration Renewal**

57. (1) A full or grandparented registrant who wishes to renew his or her registration must
- (a) complete 25 hours of board approved continuing education every 2 calendar years, and
  - (b) practice acupuncture or traditional Chinese herbology or traditional Chinese medicine at a minimum level (200 patient visits during any consecutive 24 month period) within the last 4 years.

**Reinstatement**

58. For the purpose of subsection (1), (2) and (3) of section 58, a former registrant may apply for reinstatement as a non-practising registrant provided the former registrant repays the annual fees of a non-practising registrant for the periods while the former registrant was not on the register.
- (1) A non-practising registrant whose registration is not suspended or canceled under section 39 of the *Act* and who has been out of practice for less than 2 years may be restored to the full register or to the grandparented register by the registration committee where the registrant
- (a) provides proof of completion of 25 hours of board approved continuing education every 2 calendar years, and
  - (b) has delivered to the registrar
    - (i) a signed application for reinstatement in a form approved by the registration committee, and
    - (ii) the registration renewal fee specified in Schedule "F", and any annual fee adjustments required for full-practising status.

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- (2) A non-practising registrant whose registration is not suspended or canceled under section 39 of the *Act* and who has been out of practice for more than 2 year but less than 4 years may be restored to the full register or to the grandparented register by the registration committee where the registrant
  - (a) provides proof of completion of 25 hours of board approved continuing education every 2 calendar years for the duration when the registrant was a non-practising registrant,
  - (b) successfully completes any examinations or courses required by the registration committee, and
  - (c) has delivered to the registrar
    - (i) a signed application for reinstatement in a form approved by the registration committee, and
    - (ii) the registration renewal fee specified in Schedule "F", and any annual fee adjustments required for full-practising status.
- (3) A non-practising registrant whose registration is not suspended or canceled under section 39 of the *Act* and who has been out of practice for more than 4 years may be granted limited registration by the registration committee where the registrant
  - (a) provides proof of completion of 25 hours of board approved continuing education every 2 calendar years for the duration when the registrant was a non-practising registrant,
  - (b) successfully completes any examinations or courses required by the registration committee,
  - (c) may, in the opinion of the registration committee, practise as a limited registrant without any risk to public health and safety, and
  - (d) has delivered to the registrar
    - (i) a signed application for reinstatement in a form approved by the registration committee, and
    - (ii) the registration renewal fee specified in Schedule "F", and any annual fee adjustments required for full-practising status.
- (4) The registration of a person who has been granted limited registration under subsection (3) may be renewed annually by the registration committee.
- (5) A person who has been granted limited registration under subsection (3) may only perform the services of a full or grandparented registrant with any practice limits or conditions set by the registration committee, which may include supervised practice.
- (6) A person who has been granted limited registration under subsection (3) and who was formerly a full registrant may be restored or reinstated to the full register upon completion of conditions established by the registration committee, which may include 1 year of supervised practice.
- (7) A person who has been granted limited registration under subsection (3) and who was formerly a grandparented registrant may be restored or reinstated to the grandparented register upon completion of a 1 year period of supervised practice.

**Reinstatement following non-payment of fees**

59. (1) A former registrant who ceased to be registered under section 56(6) by reason only of a failure to renew his or her registration is eligible for reinstatement by the board under section 21(4) of the *Act* where the former registrant,
  - (a) applies for reinstatement in the form required by the registration committee not later than 3 months following the expiry of his or her registration,
  - (b) is not in contravention of the *Act*, the regulations, or these bylaws,
  - (c) pays the registration renewal fee in Schedule F, and
  - (d) pays a reinstatement fee in an amount equal to 35 percent of the registrant's annual registration renewal fee.
- (2) Despite subsection (1), the board may reinstate a person without charging any fee where the person is able to demonstrate that he or she was unable to comply with section 56 for reasons of undue hardship.

**Notification of change of registration information**

60. A registrant must immediately notify the registrar of any change of address, name or any other registration information previously provided to the registrar.