

CHAPTER 24  
CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR BARBERS  
[Prior to 2/20/02, see 645—Chapter 23]

**645—24.1(158) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Active license*” means a license that is current and has not expired.

“*Approved program/activity*” means a continuing education program/activity meeting the standards set forth in these rules.

“*Audit*” means the selection of licensees for verification of satisfactory completion of continuing education requirements during a specified time period.

“*Board*” means the board of barbering.

“*Continuing education*” means planned, organized learning acts designed to maintain, improve, or expand a licensee’s knowledge and skills in order for the licensee to develop new knowledge and skills relevant to the enhancement of practice, education, or theory development to improve the safety and welfare of the public.

“*Hour of continuing education*” means at least 50 minutes spent by a licensee completing an approved continuing education activity through live, virtual, online or prerecorded means where the instructor provides proof of completion by the licensee as set forth in these rules.

“*Inactive license*” means a license that has expired because it was not renewed by the end of the grace period. The category of “inactive license” may include licenses formerly known as lapsed, inactive, delinquent, closed, or retired.

“*Independent study*” means a subject/program/activity that a person pursues autonomously that meets standards for approval criteria in the rules.

“*License*” means license to practice.

“*Licensee*” means any person licensed to practice as a barber in the state of Iowa.

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**645—24.2(158) Continuing education requirements.**

**24.2(1)** The biennial continuing education compliance period shall extend for a two-year period beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30 of each even-numbered year. Each biennium, each person who is licensed to practice as a barber in this state shall be required to complete a minimum of three hours of continuing education that meet the requirements of rule 645—24.3(158,272C). A minimum of one hour of the three hours shall be in the content areas of Iowa barbering laws and administrative rules and sanitation. A licensee who is a barber instructor shall obtain four hours in teaching methodology in addition to meeting all continuing education requirements for renewal of the barber license.

**24.2(2)** Requirements of new licensees. Those persons licensed for the first time shall not be required to complete continuing education as a prerequisite for the first renewal of their licenses. Continuing education hours acquired anytime from the initial licensing until the second license renewal may be used. The new licensee will be required to complete a minimum of three hours of continuing education per biennium for each subsequent license renewal.

**24.2(3)** Hours of continuing education credit may be obtained by attending and participating in a continuing education activity. These hours must be in accordance with these rules.

**24.2(4)** No hours of continuing education shall be carried over into the next biennium except as stated for the second renewal. A licensee whose license was reactivated during the current renewal compliance period may use continuing education earned during the compliance period for the first renewal following reactivation.

**24.2(5)** It is the responsibility of each licensee to finance the cost of continuing education.

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**645—24.3(158,272C) Standards.**

**24.3(1)** *General criteria.* A continuing education activity which meets all of the following criteria is appropriate for continuing education credit if the continuing education activity:

- a. Constitutes an organized program of learning which contributes directly to the professional competency of the licensee;
- b. Pertains to subject matters which integrally relate to the practice of the profession;
- c. Is conducted by individuals who have specialized education, training and experience by reason of which said individuals should be considered qualified concerning the subject matter of the program. At the time of audit, the board may request the qualifications of presenters;
- d. Fulfills stated program goals, objectives, or both; and
- e. Provides proof of attendance to licensees in attendance including:
  - (1) Date(s), location, course title, presenter(s);
  - (2) Number of program contact hours; and
  - (3) Certificate of completion or evidence of successful completion of the course provided by the course sponsor.

**24.3(2) *Specific criteria.***

- a. Continuing education may be obtained by attending programs that meet the criteria in 24.3(1) approved or offered by the following:
    - (1) National, state or local barber associations.
    - (2) Barber schools and institutes.
    - (3) Universities, colleges or community colleges.
  - b. Continuing education credit offered for cosmetology continuing education credit will be accepted for barber continuing education credit.
  - c. Beginning August 1, 2010, one hour of continuing education per biennium must be specific to Iowa barbering laws and administrative rules and sanitation.
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**645—24.5(158,272C) Automatic exemption.** Rescinded IAB 2/25/09, effective 4/1/09.

**645—24.6(158,272C) Continuing education exemption for disability or illness.** Rescinded IAB 2/25/09, effective 4/1/09.

**645—24.7(158,272C) Grounds for disciplinary action.** Rescinded IAB 2/25/09, effective 4/1/09.

**645—24.8(158,272C) Continuing education exemption for inactive practitioners.** Rescinded IAB 8/17/05, effective 9/21/05.

**645—24.9(158,272C) Continuing education exemption for disability or illness.** Rescinded IAB 8/17/05, effective 9/21/05.

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