

**193—7.38(17A,272C) Reinstatement.**

**7.38(1)** The term “reinstatement” as used in this rule will include both the reinstatement of a suspended license and the issuance of a new license following the revocation or voluntary surrender of a license. Reinstating a license to active status under this rule is a two-step process:

*a.* First, the board will need to determine whether the suspended, revoked, or surrendered license may be reinstated under the terms of the order revoking or suspending the license or accepting the surrender of the license and under the two-part test described in subrule 7.38(5).

*b.* Second, if the board grants the application to reinstate, the licensee will need to complete and submit an application to demonstrate satisfaction of all administrative preconditions for reinstatement of the license to active status, including verification of completion of all continuing education and payment of reinstatement and renewal fees.

**7.38(2)** Any person whose license has been revoked or suspended by the board, or who voluntarily surrendered a license in a disciplinary proceeding, may apply to the board for reinstatement in accordance with the terms of the order of revocation or suspension, or order accepting the voluntary surrender.

**7.38(3)** Unless otherwise provided by law, if the order of revocation or suspension did not establish terms upon which reinstatement might occur, or if the license was voluntarily surrendered, an initial application for reinstatement cannot be made until at least one year has elapsed from the date of the order or the date the board accepted the voluntary surrender of a license.

**7.38(4)** All proceedings for reinstatement will be initiated by the respondent, who will file with the board an application for reinstatement of the respondent’s license. Such application will be docketed in the original case in which the license was revoked, suspended, or relinquished. All proceedings upon the petition for reinstatement, including the matters preliminary and ancillary thereto, will be subject to the same rules of procedure as other cases before the board. In addition, the board may grant an applicant’s request to appear informally before the board prior to the issuance of a notice of hearing on the application if the applicant requests an informal appearance in the application and agrees not to seek to disqualify on the ground of personal investigation the board members or staff before whom the applicant appears.

**7.38(5)** An application for reinstatement will allege facts that, if established, will be sufficient to enable the board to determine that the basis of revocation, suspension or voluntary surrender of the respondent’s license no longer exists and that it will be in the public interest for the license to be reinstated. Compliance with subrule 7.30(3) needs to also be established. The burden of proof to establish such facts will be on the respondent. An order of reinstatement may include such conditions as the board deems reasonable under the circumstances. The board may grant the application without hearing, but cannot deny the application in whole or part without setting the matter for hearing or providing the applicant the opportunity to request a contested case hearing if aggrieved by a term of the reinstatement order.

**7.38(6)** An order of reinstatement will be based upon a decision that incorporates findings of fact and conclusions of law and needs to be based upon the affirmative vote of not fewer than a majority of the board. This order will be published as provided for in subrule 7.30(2).

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