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STATE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSURE BOARD

24.06.01 – Rules for the Licensure of Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapy Assistants

Who does this rule apply to?
This rule applies to applicants, temporary permit holders, and license holders for:

- Occupational Therapists
- Occupational Therapist Assistants

What is the purpose of this rule?
This rule governs the practice of occupational therapy in Idaho to protect the public health, safety, and welfare. This rule establishes:

- Minimum standards of competency and qualifications for applicants;
- Fees related to licensure;
- Continuing education for licensure;
- Requirements for supervision; and
- Standards of practice

What is the legal authority for the agency to promulgate this rule?
This rule implements the following statute passed by the Idaho Legislature:

Professions, Vocations, and Businesses -
- 54-3701 through 54-3722, Idaho Code – Occupational Therapy Practice Act

Who do I contact for more information on this rule?

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000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.
These rules are promulgated pursuant to Sections 54-3712, 54-3715, 54-3717, and 54-3720 Idaho Code. (7-1-24)

001. SCOPE.
These rules govern the practice of occupational therapy in Idaho. (7-1-24)

002. -- 099. (RESERVED)

100. LICENSURE.

01. Approved Education. An educational program in occupational therapy accredited by the American Occupational Therapy Association's Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE), or by a predecessor or successor organization recognized by the United States Secretary of Education, the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, or both. (7-1-24)

02. Supervised Fieldwork. During the period of supervised fieldwork, students must be under daily in-person contact with an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant who is appropriately supervised by an occupational therapist. The occupational therapist is responsible for the overall use and actions of the student. (7-1-24)

03. Continuing Education. Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapy Assistants must complete and maintain proof of completion of ten (10) hours of germane continuing education each year during the licensee's renewal cycle. Proof of completion must be provided to the board upon request and must include licensee's name, date of activity or when course was completed, provider name, course title, description of course/activity, and number of contact hours. (7-1-24)

101. -- 199. (RESERVED)

200. PRACTICE STANDARDS.

01. Scope of Practice. Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapy Assistants must possess the education, training, and experience within their scope of practice to perform occupational therapy tasks. (7-1-24)

02. Supervision Requirements. Supervision is the direction and review of service delivery, treatment plans, and treatment outcomes. Unless otherwise specified in this rule, in-person or synchronous interaction at least once a month is the minimum level of supervision that must be provided. Methods of supervision may include but are not limited to line-of-sight supervision with the supervisor's physical presence when services are being provided and/or in-person contact by the supervisor where services are being provided to ensure the safe and effective delivery of occupational therapy. (7-1-24)

a. Limited Permit Holders. Limited permit holders must be supervised by an occupational therapist. This requires daily in-person contact with the supervisor at the site where service is provided. (7-1-24)

b. Occupational Therapy Assistants. Occupational therapy assistants must be supervised by an occupational therapist at least once per month by no less than telecommunications. (7-1-24)

c. Occupational Therapy Aides. The occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant must train the aide to perform client-related and non-client-related tasks at least once per month. Client-related tasks are routine tasks during which the aide may interact with the client but does not act as a primary service provider of occupational therapy services. Occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants must document all training and supervision of an aide. (7-1-24)

i. The following factors must be present when an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant assigns a selected client-related task to the aide: The supervisor must be physically present when services are being provided to clients by the aide; the outcome of the assigned task must be predictable; the situation of the client and the environment must be stable and will not require the aide to make judgments, interpretations, or adaptations; and the routine and process of the task must have been clearly established. (7-1-24)

201. -- 299. (RESERVED)

300. DISCIPLINE.

01. Civil Penalty. The Board may impose a fine up to the amount of any economic advantage obtained through the violation. (7-1-24)

301. -- 399. (RESERVED)

400. FEES.
All fees are non-refundable.

FEE TYPE	AMOUNT (Not to Exceed)	RENEWAL FEE (Not to Exceed)
Initial Licensure for Occupational Therapists	$80	$40
Initial Licensure for Occupational Therapy Assistants	$60	$30
Limited Permit or Temporary License	$25	
Reinstatement Fee	As provided in Section 67-2614, Idaho Code.	

(7-1-24)

401. -- 999. (RESERVED)