Fees

(1) Applicants and registrants are subject to the provisions of OAR 331-010-0010 and 331-010-0020 regarding the payment of fees, penalties and charges.

(2) Fees established by the Health Licensing Office are as follows:

(a) Application:

   (A) Registration: $100.

   (B) Registration by reciprocity: $150.

(b) Examination — Oregon laws & rules: $50.

(c) Original issuance of registration (including by reciprocity): $125 for one year.

(d) Permits and waivers: $150.

(e) Renewal of registration: $125 for one year.

(f) Delinquent (late) renewal of registration: $40 per year, up to three years.

(g) Reinstatement: $150.

(h) Replacement of registration, including name change: $25.

(i) Duplicate registration document: $25 per copy with maximum of three.

(j) Affidavit of licensure: $50.

(k) An additional $25 administrative processing fee will be assessed if a NSF or non-negotiable instrument is received for payment of fees, penalties and charges. Refer to OAR 331-010-0010.

Definitions

The following definitions apply to OAR 331-120-0001 through 331-160-0015.

(1) "Board of Certification, Inc." (BOC) means the national organization that is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies that provides a certification program for the entry-level athletic trainer and establishes requirements for maintaining status as a certified athletic trainer (ATC).

(2) "Office" means the Health Licensing Office.

(3) "Registration" means the document issued by the Office authorizing the holder to practice athletic training under ORS 688.730 and use the title "Athletic Trainer, Registered," and the abbreviation: “ATR.”
Application Requirements

An individual applying for registration to practice athletic training must:

(1) Meet the requirements of OAR 331 division 30.

(2) Submit a completed application form prescribed by the agency, which must contain the information listed in OAR 331-030-0000 and be accompanied by payment of the required application and registration fees.

(3) In addition to requirements listed in subsections (1) and (2) of this rule, an applicant must provide documentation of one of the following pathways:

(a) Licensure Pathway 1 — Qualification through examination. An applicant must submit:

   (A) Official transcripts demonstrating that the individual holds a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited four year college or university and has completed an athletic training education program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education, or has been approved or recognized by the Board;

   (B) Evidence of prescribed educational and clinical experience as required by ORS 688.720, and OAR 331-130-0001;

   (C) Official documentation of a passing score of the BOC examination or documentation of successful completion of an equivalent examination approved or recognized by the Board;

   (D) Evidence that the applicant is 18 years old or older; and

   (E) Evidence demonstrating current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) including:

      (i) Adult & Pediatric CPR;

      (ii) Automated external defibrillator AED;

      (iii) 2nd Rescuer CPR;

      (iv) Airway Obstruction; and

      (v) Barrier Devices (e.g., pocket mask, bag valve mask).

(b) Licensure Pathway 2 — Licensure through reciprocity: An applicant must submit:

   (A) An Affidavit of Registration demonstrating proof of current registration, which is active with no current or pending disciplinary action. The registration must have been issued by another state or territory of the United States and the requirements be equivalent to those in ORS 688.720;
(B) Evidence that the applicant is 18 years old or older; and

(C) Evidence demonstrating current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for including:

   (i) Adult & Pediatric CPR;
   (ii) Automated external defibrillator AED;
   (iii) 2nd Rescuer CPR;
   (iv) Airway Obstruction; and
   (v) Barrier Devices (e.g., pocket mask, bag valve mask).

(4) An applicant with a current athletic training licensing credential issued from another state or territory of the United States must arrange for a completed Affidavit of Registration, issued by the credentialing state, to be mailed directly to the Agency. The Affidavit must attest to the applicant's registration record and indicate successful completion of the BOC examination or another examination approved by the Board.

331-130-0005
Registration Required; Exception

To practice athletic training in the state of Oregon, individuals must be registered in accordance with ORS 688.718.

331-130-0011
Registration Issuance and Renewal

(1) REGISTRATION: A registrant is subject to the provisions of OAR chapter 331, division 30 regarding the issuance and renewal of a registration, and to provisions regarding authorization to practice, identification, and requirements for issuance of a duplicate registration.

(2) LICENSE RENEWAL: Registration renewal must be made prior to the registration entering inactive status. The registrant must submit the following:

   (a) Renewal application form;
   (b) Payment of required renewal fee;
   (c) Attest to having obtained required continuing education; and
   (d) Attest to having current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation pursuant to OAR 331-130-0001.

(3) INACTIVE REGISTRATION RENEWAL: Registration renewal made after the registration enters inactive status. A registration may be inactive for up to three years. To renew inactive registration, the registrant must submit the following:

   (a) Renewal application form;
   (b) Payment of delinquency and renewal fees pursuant to OAR 331-105-0030;
(c) Attest to having obtained required continuing education; and

(d) Attest to having current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation pursuant to OAR 331-130-0001.

(4) EXPIRED REGISTRATION: A registration that has been inactive for more than three years is expired and must meet the requirements listed in OAR 331-130-0001.

(5) A registrant failing to meet continuing education requirements listed under OAR 331-150-0005 must reapply and meet requirements pursuant to OAR 331-130-0001.

(6) A registrant may not practice with an inactive or expired registration.

Registration Display and Posting Requirements

(1) Registrants must show proof of valid registration upon request or post the registration document in public view at the athletic trainer’s primary workplace.

(2) A registrant may temporarily conceal the address printed on the registration document with a covering that is removable. A registrant must carry the registration identification card (pocket card), or post the official registration in plain view any time services are being provided.

331-150-0000
Continued Competency

(1) To ensure continuing efforts on the part of Oregon registered athletic trainers to remain current with new developments in athletic training and to encourage diversified training and qualifications in the profession, continuing education is required as a condition of registration.

(2) Continuing education experiences are programs beyond the basic education required to obtain registration and that are designed to promote and enrich knowledge, improve skills, and develop attitudes for the enhancement of the practices of registered athletic trainers, thus improving athletic training care to the public.

(3) Continuing education requirements apply whether the applicant renewing registration is living or working within Oregon or outside of the state, so long as Oregon registration is maintained.

331-150-0005
Continuing Education Requirements

(1) To maintain registration, athletic trainers must complete a minimum of 10 hours of approved continuing education each year. Credit hours obtained in excess of those required for the one-year reporting period may not be carried forward. A registrant’s continuing education requirements remain in effect during the time registration is inactive.

(2) Each registrant shall document compliance with the continuing education requirement through attestation on the registration renewal application. Registrants are subject to provisions of OAR 331-150-0010 pertaining to periodic audit of continuing education.
(3) Approved continuing education must be obtained by participation in or attendance at a course provided by an accredited college or university, a course or program approved by the BOC or an agency pre-approved course or program.

(4) Continuing education must address subject matter related to athletic training in accordance with ORS 688.701 through 688.734.

(5) CE credit will be awarded based on the following criteria:

(a) Completion and passing of academic courses related to athletic training taken from an accredited college or university are awarded 15 hours for each semester-based credit earned, 14 hours for each trimester-based credit earned or 10 hours for each quarter-based credit earned; and

(b) Courses that do not meet standards as set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection, such as workshops, symposiums, seminars, laboratory exercises, professional courses, or any applied experience with or without formal classroom work must be pre-approved by the agency or by BOC and may be assigned credit at the rate of one hour for each hour of attendance.

(6) Registrants must complete two hours of continuing education specifically on Concussion and Traumatic Brain Injury once every three years.

(7) Documentation supporting compliance with continuing education requirements must be maintained for a period of three years following renewal, and must be available to the agency upon request.

331-150-0010
Continuing Education: Audit, Required Documentation and Sanctions

(1) The Office will audit a percentage of registrants, as determined by the Board, to verify compliance with continuing education requirements of this rule.

(2) Registrants notified of selection for audit of continuing education attestation shall submit to the Office, within 30 calendar days from the date of issuance of the notification, satisfactory evidence of participation in required continuing education in accordance with OAR 331-150-0005.

(3) If selected for audit, the registrant must provide documentation of the required continuing education, which must include:

(a) For courses provided by an accredited college or university — A course syllabus and an official transcript from the accredited college or university;

(b) For BOC approved programs or courses — A certificate of completion that includes the BOC approval number; or

(c) For Office pre-approved programs or courses — A certificate of completion or other Office-approved documentation that includes the Office pre-approval number.
If documentation of continuing education is incomplete, the registrant has an additional 30 calendar days from the date of notice of incompleteness to submit further documentation to substantiate having completed the required continuing education.

Failure to meet continuing education requirements shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action, which may include, but is not limited to, assessment of a civil penalty and suspension or revocation of registration.

331-160-0005
Scope of Practice

The scope of practice of athletic training by a registered athletic trainer shall consist of the following:

(1) The education, instruction, application and monitoring of facts and circumstances required to protect the athlete from athletic injury, including but not limited to:
   (a) The identification, through physical examinations or screening processes, of conditions that may pose a risk of injury, illness or disease to an athlete.
   (b) The supervision and maintenance of athletic equipment to assure safety.

(2) The recognition, evaluation and care of injuries and illness occurring during athletic events or in the practice for athletic events including but not limited to the following;
   (a) Performance of strength testing using mechanical devices or other standard techniques;
   (b) Application of tape, braces and protective devices to prevent or treat injury;
   (c) Administration of standard techniques of first aid;
   (d) Use of emergency care equipment to aid the injured athlete by facilitating safe transportation to an appropriate medical facility;
   (e) Determination of the level of functional capacity of an injured athlete in order to establish the extent of an injury; and
   (f) Determination of the level of functional capacity of an injured or ill athlete to participate.

(3) The gathering and accurate recording of all information required in the assessment of athletic injuries.

(4) The development and implementation of an appropriate course of rehabilitation or reconditioning by the use of therapeutic modalities, including but not limited to: water, cold, heat, electrical, mechanical and acoustical devices, massage, manual techniques, gait training exercise, and physical capacity functional programs which are determined to be needed to facilitate recovery, restore athletic function or performance;

(5) Dispensation of non-prescription medication and application of topical non-prescription medication;
(6) The determination and implementation of a plan for appropriate health care administration.

(7) Referral of an athlete to appropriate health care provider as needed.

(8) Organization of a medical care service delivery system for athletes when needed.

(9) Establishment of plans to manage an athlete's medical emergencies;

(10) The education or providing of athletic training guidance to athletes for the purpose of facilitating recovery, function and performance of the athlete.

331-160-0010
Standards of Practice

Athletic trainers shall adhere to the following standards of professional conduct:

(1) Physician Collaboration: Athletic trainers are required to collaborate with a physician in the treatment of an athletic injury as provided in OAR 331-160-0015.

(2) Registered Athletic Trainers shall be responsible for the conduct and performance of student assistants under their supervision.

(3) Documentation: All services are documented in writing by the Athletic Trainer and are part of the Athletic Trainer’s record for the athlete. The Athletic Trainer accepts responsibility for chronologically recording details of the patient’s health status and treatment, signing and dating each entry.

(4) The patient’s record shall include, but not be limited to:

   (a) Athlete’s name and any other identifying information;
   (b) Referral source, as applicable;
   (c) Initial and subsequent assessments;
   (d) Treatment plan, including methods used, results and plan revisions;
   (e) Documentation of discontinuation of treatment and final summary.

(5) Records must be maintained for no less than seven years after discharge. All records are subject to review by the agency.

(6) All records must be legibly written or typed, dated and signed.

(7) Confidentiality: Athletic trainers are required to maintain confidentiality in accordance with all applicable laws.

(8) Initial Assessment: Prior to treatment, athletic trainers are required to assess the athlete’s status, history, and level of functioning.

(9) Treatment Program Planning: The treatment program objectives must include goals, expectations and measures to determine the effectiveness of the program.

(10) Athletic trainers are required to observe the Occupational Safety and Health Act Blood Borne Pathogens Standards under 29 CFR 1910:1030 when providing services.
(11) Practicing athletic training or offering to perform services beyond the scope of practice permitted by law and defined in ORS 688.701, is prohibited.

(12) Performing services that have not been authorized by the athlete or the athlete’s legal representative is prohibited.

331-160-0015
Collaboration of Athletic Trainers and Physicians

(1) "Collaboration" as used in this section means consultation, correspondence, or referral between an athletic trainer and a physician. Collaboration may be initiated by the athletic trainer or physician, and consists of oral or written communication between the parties or an appropriate representative of the physician. "Collaboration" as used in OAR 331-160-0010 and this section, does not mean providing care on behalf of, jointly, or in concert with one another.

(2) "Consultation" as used in this section means discussing or sharing information with another health care provider that is consistent with the requirements of state and federal law regarding confidentiality for the purposes of obtaining information or recommendations for the provision of care to the athlete.

(3) "Referral" as used in this section means directing the athlete to other resources for purposes of care, treatment, assessment or intervention.

(4) An athletic trainer must collaborate with a physician when the athletic injury is beyond the athletic trainer's scope of practice or expertise, or in those instances where the injury is not responding to treatment.

(5) The athletic trainer must appropriately record collaboration with a physician regarding an athlete or athletic injury in an acceptable manner, such as notation on injury reports, medical records, or progress reports.

(6) Nothing in this section or these rules shall be construed to prevent a physician from employing, directing, supervising, establishing protocols for, or otherwise assisting a registered athletic trainer in the practice of athletic training consistent with the scope of practice and professional standards of each practitioner.