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DIVISION 3. PROFESSIONS AND VOCATIONS GENERALLY [5000 - 9998.11] (Heading of Division 3 added by Stats. 1939, Ch. 30.)

CHAPTER 10. Barbering and Cosmetology [7301 - 7426.5] (Chapter 10 repealed and added by Stats. 1990, Ch. 1672, Sec. 3.)

ARTICLE 4. Apprenticeship [7332 - 7336] (Article 4 added by Stats. 1990, Ch. 1672, Sec. 3.)

- 7332. (a) An apprentice is any person who is licensed by the board to engage in learning or acquiring a knowledge of barbering, cosmetology, skin care, nail care, or electrology, in a licensed establishment under the supervision of a licensee approved by the board.
- (b) For purposes of this section, "under the supervision of a licensee" means that the apprentice shall be supervised at all times by a licensee approved by the board while performing services in a licensed establishment. At no time shall an apprentice be the only individual working in the establishment. An apprentice that is not being supervised by a licensee, that has been approved by the board to supervise an apprentice, shall be deemed to be practicing unlicensed under this chapter.

(Amended by Stats. 2017, Ch. 429, Sec. 19. (SB 547) Effective January 1, 2018.)

7333. The apprentice training program shall be conducted in compliance with the Shelley-Maloney Apprentice Labor Standards Act of 1939, Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 3070) of Division 3 of the Labor Code, according to apprenticeship standards approved by the administrator of apprenticeship. A copy of the act shall be maintained on file with the board.

(Amended by Stats. 2003, Ch. 788, Sec. 23. Effective January 1, 2004.)

- 7334. (a) The board may license as an apprentice in barbering, cosmetology, skin care, or nail care any person who has made application to the board upon the proper form, has paid the fee required by this chapter, and who is qualified as follows:
 - (1) Is over 16 years of age.
 - (2) Has completed the 10th grade in the public schools of this state or its equivalent.
 - (3) Is not subject to denial pursuant to Section 480.
 - (4) Has submitted evidence acceptable to the board that any training the apprentice is required by law to obtain shall be conducted in a licensed establishment and under the supervision of a licensee approved by the board.
- (b) The board may license as an apprentice in electrolysis any person who has made application to the board upon the proper form, has paid the fee required by this chapter, and who is qualified as follows:
 - (1) Is not less than 17 years of age.
 - (2) Has completed the 12th grade or an accredited senior high school course of study in schools of this state or its equivalent.
 - (3) Is not subject to denial pursuant to Section 480.
 - (4) Has submitted evidence acceptable to the board that any training the apprentice is required by law to obtain shall be conducted in a licensed establishment and under the supervision of a licensee approved by the board.
- (c) All persons making application as an apprentice in barbering shall also complete preapprentice training that is administered by the board for the length of time established by the board in a facility approved by the board prior to serving the general public.

- (d) All persons making application as an apprentice in cosmetology, skin care, nail care, or electrology shall also complete minimum preapprentice training administered by the board for the length of time established by the board in a facility approved by the board prior to serving the general public.
- (e) Apprentices may only perform services on the general public for which they have received technical training.
- (f) Apprentices shall be required to obtain at least the minimum hours of technical instruction and minimum number of practical operations for each subject as specified in board regulations for courses taught in schools approved by the board, in accordance with Sections 3074 and 3078 of the Labor Code.

(Amended by Stats. 2022, Ch. 527, Sec. 3. (AB 2196) Effective January 1, 2023.)

- 7335. (a) The license of an apprentice shall expire two years from the date the license was issued, or on the date the apprentice is issued a license following the license examination, or if the apprentice fails the license examination twice, on the date the results of the second examination are issued, whichever occurs first.
- (b) No person holding a license as an apprentice shall work more than three months after completing the required training without applying for and taking the examination for licensure.
- (c) The board may extend the two-year or three-month period described in subdivisions (a) and (b) upon a showing of good cause which shall include, but not be limited to, delays in applying for and taking the examination caused by the illness of, or accident to, the apprentice, or service in the armed forces of the United States.

(Amended by Stats. 2003, Ch. 788, Sec. 25. Effective January 1, 2004.)

7336. An apprentice may do any or all of the acts for which he or she is licensed only in the licensed establishment and under the supervision and employment of a licensee approved by the board.

(Amended by Stats. 2003, Ch. 788, Sec. 26. Effective January 1, 2004.)