



ALABAMA BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

**NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-1-.01 Membership

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 regarding the diversity requirements of Board member positions.

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-1-.02 Election Of Officers, Terms Of Office, And Duties

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 regarding the nomination process for filling Board positions.

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-1-.03 Filling An Unexpired Term

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 regarding the nomination process for filling Board positions with unexpired terms.

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-1-.08 Alabama Sunset Law

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to adopt the above new rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The adoption of this new rule is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 and the Alabama Sunset Law, Title 41, Chapter 20, regarding the Board's termination and continuation dates pursuant to the Alabama Sunset Law.

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**NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION CONTINUED**

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-2-.01 Candidates For Licensure

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386. The requirement of U.S. citizenship and/or legal presence in the U.S. is already stated in the Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer & Citizen Protection Act (Act 2011-535).

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-2-.03 Application Form

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 regarding criminal history background checks.

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-2-.07 Internship Training

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to correct a typographical error (adding an apostrophe to a word in 750-X-2-.07(2)(1)).

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-2-.08 Licensure of Applicants Licensed To Practice Psychology In Another Jurisdiction

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 regarding U.S. citizenship and licensure requirements (CPQ and ABPP status), 30-day practice and disaster/emergency practice.

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**NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION CONTINUED**

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-2A-.03 Application Form

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 regarding criminal history background checks.

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-3A-.01 Rationale

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 stating that continuing education shall be relevant to or applicable within the practice of psychology.

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-3A-.08 Failure To Comply With Continuing Education Requirements

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 regarding lapsed licensure for failure to engage in continuing education or failure to pay the annual continuing education fee.

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**NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION CONTINUED**

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-4-.01 License Renewal

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 regarding lapsed licensure for failure to pay the annual license renewal and continuing education fees.

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-4-.02 Inactive Status

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to adopt the above new rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The adoption of this new rule is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 regarding the designation of inactive status of a psychologist license.

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-4-.02 Representation To The Public

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule number.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed for re-numbering purposes (750-X-4-.03) due to the adoption of the subsequent new rule in compliance with Act 2013-386.

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-5-.03 Disciplinary Actions Against Licensed Psychologists and Licensed Psychological Technicians

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 regarding penalties for violations, judicial review of Board orders, disciplinary oversight of licensees and reporting of disciplinary actions.

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**NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION CONTINUED**

RULE NO. & TITLE: 750-X-5-.04 Inquiries About Unlicensed Individuals

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology proposes to amend the above rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This amendment is needed to comply with Act 2013-386 allowing the Board to bring action in the Circuit Court of Montgomery County for violations of the law, Board rules or Board orders.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: November 4, 2013

TIME, PLACE AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Interested Persons may present their views in writing to the Executive Officer of the Board at any time during the 35-day period following September 30, 2013, or if requested in advance (no later than November 4, 2013), by personally appearing at 660 Adams Avenue, Suite 360, Montgomery, Alabama, on Friday, November 8, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Contact Person: Mrs. Lori Rall, Executive Officer, Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology, 660 Adams Avenue, Suite 360, Montgomery, AL 36104.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Lori Rall, Executive Officer

  
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**750-X-4.023      Representation To The Public.**

(1) Licensure should not be used, either explicitly or implicitly, as a claim or promise or guarantee of successful service. A licensed psychologist or licensed psychological technician is to display the license certificate in an appropriate manner within an office area. The license should be reproduced only when necessary to complete a file or official records and not for display purposes or for announcement of services. On letterheads, professional cards, and other displays, licensees should use the designations "Licensed Psychologist" or "Licensed Psychological Technician", as appropriate. It is appropriate for the licensee to be introduced to an audience as "licensed by the State Board of Examiners."

(2) Specialty titles, such as "Clinical Psychologist," etc., may be used by licensed psychologists, instead of the title "Licensed Psychologist" if the title provides an accurate description of training and services. Such titles, if used, must be consistent with one's level of licensure and competency and should not be used in combination with the term "Licensed Psychologist" since the Alabama license is generic. Specialty titles for licensed psychological technicians are not applicable.

(3) A psychological technician may not use the title "psychologist" or hold himself or herself out to the public or knowingly allow himself or herself to be held out to the public as a psychologist. A licensed psychological technician shall not practice or present himself or herself outside the area of competence as approved by the board based upon the examination and review of the qualifications, training, and experience of the individual.

(4) When licensees announce or advertise psychological services to the public under the name of a professional corporation, association, group, clinic, etc., the name of at least one licensed psychologist or psychological technician must appear in conjunction with the name of the professional corporation, association, group, clinic, etc.

**Author:** Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology

**Statutory Authority:** Code of Ala. 1975, § 34-26-1, et seq.

**History:** Filed September 21, 1982. **Repealed and new rule** (same title) filed November 5, 1987. **Amended:** Filed April 5, 1990, November 25, 1997, May 14, 1998.