

154.07 BARBER SCHOOLS; REQUIREMENTS.

Subdivision 1. **Admission requirements; course of instruction.** No barber school shall be approved by the board unless the barber school requires, as a prerequisite to graduation, a course of instruction of at least 1,500 hours of not more than ten hours of schooling in any one working day. The course of instruction must include the following subjects: scientific fundamentals for barbering; hygiene; practical study of the hair, skin, muscles, and nerves; structure of the head, face, and neck; elementary chemistry relating to sanitation; disinfection; sterilization and antiseptics; diseases of the skin, hair, and glands; massaging and manipulating the muscles of the face and neck; haircutting; shaving; trimming the beard; bleaching, tinting and dyeing the hair; and the chemical waving and straightening of hair.

Subd. 2. MS 1990 [Repealed, 1991 c 282 s 23]

Subd. 3. **Costs.** It is permissible for barber schools to make a reasonable charge for materials used and services rendered by students for work done in the schools by students.

Subd. 3a. **Number of instructors.** There must be one registered instructor of barbering for every 20 students in attendance at the same time. Instruction must not be performed by persons not possessing a certificate of registration as an instructor of barbering or a temporary permit as an instructor of barbering.

Subd. 4. **Building requirements.** Each barber school must be conducted and operated in one building, or in connecting buildings, and a barber school must not have any department or branch in a building completely separated or removed from the remainder of the barber school.

Subd. 5. **Owner's requirements.** Any person may own a barber school provided the person first secures from the board an annual certificate of registration as a barber school, keeps it prominently displayed, and before commencing business:

(1) files with the secretary of state a bond to the state approved by the attorney general in the sum of \$25,000, conditioned upon the faithful compliance of the barber school with sections 154.001, 154.002, 154.003, 154.01 to 154.162, 154.19 to 154.21, and 154.24 to 154.28, and to pay all judgments that may be obtained against the school, or the owners thereof, on account of fraud, misrepresentation, or deceit practiced by them or their agents; and

(2) keeps prominently displayed on the exterior a substantial sign indicating that the establishment is a barber school.

Subd. 5a. **Student permits.** All barber schools upon receiving students shall immediately apply to the board for student permits upon forms for that purpose furnished by the board.

Subd. 5b. **Designated operator.** All barber schools shall be operated by a barber with no less than six years of continuous experience as a registered barber in this state or another state or jurisdiction as determined by the board. When a person who owns a barber school does not meet the requirements of this section to operate a barber school, the owner shall notify the board in writing and under oath of the identity of the person designated to operate the barber school and shall notify the board of any change of operator by telephone within 24 hours of such change, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, and shall notify the board in writing and under oath within 72 hours of such change.

Subd. 6. **Operation by technical college or state institution.** A public technical college or a state institution may operate a barber school provided it has in its employment a qualified instructor holding a current certificate of registration as a barber instructor and provided that it secures from the board an annual certificate of registration and does so in accordance with sections 154.001, 154.002, 154.003, 154.01 to

154.162, 154.19 to 154.21, and 154.24 to 154.28 and the rules of the board for barber schools but without the requirement to file a performance bond with the secretary of state.

Subd. 7. **Application review process.** (a) Upon receipt of an application to establish a barber school, the board must consider the application during a meeting that is open to the public. At the meeting, the applicant must demonstrate that:

- (1) the contents of the application are true, as required by this chapter and the rules of the board; and
- (2) the applicant has sufficient financial resources to fund the barber school.

(b) The board may deny an application if the board determines that the applicant's financial resources would be insufficient to:

- (1) maintain and operate a barber school; and
- (2) ensure that the barber school would be open long enough for all registered students to graduate from the barber school.

History: (5846-7) 1927 c 316 s 7; 1929 c 270 s 7; 1935 c 229 s 3; 1945 c 160 s 3; Ex1967 c 31 s 2; 1969 c 567 s 3; 1971 c 150 s 1; 1973 c 254 s 3; 1977 c 430 s 25 subd 1; 1985 c 248 s 70; 1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 75; 1987 c 258 s 12; 1988 c 476 s 2; 1989 c 246 s 2; 1991 c 282 s 8-12; 1998 c 398 art 5 s 55; 2003 c 130 s 12; 2004 c 269 art 3 s 7; 2005 c 27 s 9; 2013 c 85 art 5 s 8; 2016 c 189 art 13 s 38; 2026 c 119 art 3 s 9,10