

21 NCAC 40 .0202 REGISTRATION OF OPTICAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND OPTICIAN IN CHARGE

(a) As used in this Rule, "optical place of business" means the principal office, as well as each branch office of the business.

- (1) Every optical place of business shall be registered with the Board within 10 days following its opening for business and thereafter annually and in the event of relocation or change of ownership. The registration fee shall be paid for each registration.
- (2) Registration of an optical place of business automatically expires on the last day of June of each year, and it shall not engage in business until it is registered for the next annual period.
- (3) An optical place of business registration is the responsibility of the owner. Any business that violates the registration requirements of this Rule shall be subject to the Board's disciplinary authority under G.S. 90-249.1, G.S. 90-252, and G.S. 90-254.
- (4) An optical place of business registered in compliance with this Rule shall be eligible to be a training establishment when the requirements of Rules .0314 and .0321 of this Chapter are met.

(b) Every optical place of business shall register a licensed optician in charge, who shall serve as the licensee in charge of only one optical place of business.

- (1) Every optician in charge shall be registered with the Board within 10 days of the opening of an optical place of business, or change of optician in charge. The registration fee as set forth in G.S. 90-246 shall be paid for each registration.
- (2) Registration of an optician in charge automatically expires on the last day of June of each year, and the optical business shall not engage in dispensing activities under G.S. 90-236 until it has a registered optician in charge for the next annual period.
- (3) An optician in charge registration is the responsibility of both the licensed optician in charge and the owner. Any optician in charge of an optical place of business that violates the registration requirements of this Rule shall be subject to the Board's disciplinary authority under G.S. 90-249.1, G.S. 90-252, and G.S. 90-254.

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