

(F) GRACE PERIOD.

A PODIATRIST HAS A GRACE PERIOD OF 30 DAYS AFTER THE PODIATRIST'S LICENSE EXPIRES IN WHICH TO RENEW THE LICENSE RETROACTIVELY, IF THE PODIATRIST:

(1) OTHERWISE IS ENTITLED TO HAVE THE LICENSE RENEWED; AND

(2) PAYS TO THE BOARD THE RENEWAL FEE AND ANY LATE FEE SET BY THE BOARD.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the last clause of Art. 43, § 493(a) and from Art. 43, §§ 493(b)(1) and 493A.

In subsection (a) of this section, the language "for a 1-year term" is implied from the provision in present Art. 43, § 493(a) that renewal fees are due annually.

Subsection (b) of this section -- which provides for renewal notice -- is new language added to conform to current Board practice and to similar provisions governing other health occupations in present Art. 43. See, e.g., Art. 43, § 634(c), as to psychologists, and Art. 43, § 868(d), as to social workers.

Subsection (c)(1) of this section is new language added for clarity.

Subsection (e) of this section is standard language added to this and, where necessary, corresponding sections of other titles of this article to state expressly a provision that presently is only implied in the law; i.e., that the Board shall renew the license of any licensee who has complied with the requirements of this section.

As to subsection (f) of this section, the first sentence of present Art. 43, § 493(b)(2) provides that, if a licensee fails to renew the license by the end of a 30-day grace period, the Board "may suspend" the license. That sentence is deleted as unnecessary and as in conflict with other provisions of the present law that state that the license "expires" 1 year after its issuance and that "after expiration of a license" a 30-day grace period is allowed for late renewal on payment of a certain fee. Under the revision of this section, the apparent conflict in the present law is resolved by stating that a license expires automatically at the end of the current