

**Title 15: Mississippi State Department of Health**

**Part 19: Bureau of Professional Licensure**

**Subpart 60: Professional Licensure**

**CHAPTER 1: REGULATIONS GOVERNING LICENSURE OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS**

**Subchapter 7: Continuing Education**

Rule 1.7.1 **Definition and philosophy:** Each individual licensed as an Athletic Trainer is responsible for optimum service to the consumer and is accountable to the consumer, the employer, and the profession for evidence of maintaining high levels of skill and knowledge. Pursuant to the Act, continuing education is mandatory. Continuing education is defined as education beyond the basic preparation required for entry into the profession, directly related to the performance and practice of Athletic Training.

*SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. §73-55-17.*

Rule 1.7.2 **Requirements**

1. Continuing education requirements for license renewal shall be fulfilled during two-year periods running concurrently with the requirement to maintain certification through the BOC, Inc. Proof of the completion of continuing education as required by this section shall be turned in to the Department at the time of renewal of license, if requested.
2. Persons who fail to accrue the required continuing education hours shall be issued a probationary license for a term of one (1) year. Failure to accrue the delinquent hours will result in the revocation of the license. Hours accrued are first credited for the delinquent hours lacking from the previous continuing education cycle.
3. Probationary licenses will be issued for one licensure term only. No ensuing license may be probationary as a result of not meeting continuing education requirements.
4. Continuing education requirements for all licensees, as to the substance and the number of hours, shall be the same as that for BOC certification.

*SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. §73-55-17.*

Rule 1.7.3 **Sources of Continuing Education:** Continuing education hours may be accrued from the following sources: Attendance at Mississippi Athletic Trainers Association (MATA) sponsored meetings; National Athletic

Trainers Association (NATA) sponsored meetings approved for continuing education credit by BOC, Inc., or other meetings or sources approved for continuing education credit by BOC, Inc.

*SOURCE: Miss. Code Ann. §73-55-17.*