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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A REGULATION:
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR THE ADOPTION OF
PROPOSED PERMANENT REGULATIONS BY THE NEVADA STATE
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS**

The Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners will hold a public hearing for the purpose of adopting a regulation on Wednesday, July 29, 2026, at 6:00 pm (to be held contemporaneously to the Board's regularly scheduled monthly Board meeting) at the Board Office, 2651 N. Green Valley Pkwy, Henderson, NV 89014. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption of regulations that pertain to chapter 631 of the Nevada Administrative Code.

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.0603:

1. The need for and the purpose of the proposed regulation or amendment.

The purpose of this regulation is to modify NAC 631.029 to establish both new and increased licensing fees, to clarify applicable administrative fees, and to adjust initial licensing and renewal fees for dentists and dental hygienists. These initial and renewal fees have not been updated in over two decades despite growth in licensee numbers and Board administrative costs.

The need for these fee adjustments is driven by operational modernization requirements, new complaint redaction obligations, rising general operating costs, and the longstanding absence of updates to the fee schedule.

2. If the proposed regulation is a temporary regulation, the terms or the substance of the proposed regulation to be adopted, amended or repealed, or a description of the subjects and issues involved.

Not applicable; this is not a temporary regulation.

3. If the proposed regulation is a permanent regulation, a statement explaining how to obtain the approved or revised text of the proposed regulation.

The proposed regulation is available on the website of the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners; it is also available at the office of the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners located at 2651 N. Green Valley Parkway, Suite 104, Henderson, Nevada 89014. It will also be sent to the State Library, Archives and Public Records, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, 89701.

4. The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately and in each case must include: (a) both adverse and beneficial effects; and (b) both immediate and long-term effects.

LCB File No. R050-26 would act as amendments to the Nevada Administrative Code. A survey was sent to all licensees requesting their input regarding impacts, positive or negative, to their small business should the regulation pass.

(a) The survey results revealed this new regulation would minimally impact small businesses as defined by NRS 233B, as few small businesses pay the licensing and other fees for their employees. Most licensees pay their own fees, causing any financial impact to be a personal expense and not a business expense.

In the event a business does pay their employee's fees, dental hygienist license fees increase by less than \$100 and general dentist license fees increase by less than \$150. Other fees for inspections and permits will impact the business only minimally, with less than \$300 increases in anesthesia administrator and site permit renewals across the board.

(b) No immediate effects were expressed because dentists do not have to renew their licenses until 2027 and hygienists are renewing now before these changes pass. Long-term economic effects are mostly personal, but to the extent a business does pay their employee's licensing fees, economic pains will be spread throughout the year at to permitting and not again until 2027 for licensing.

5. The methods used by the agency in determining the impact on a small business.

As part of NSBDE's due diligence, a small business impact survey was emailed directly to all active licensed dental professionals in Nevada. Further, the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners solicited written and oral comments, objections, and suggestions from various stakeholders at a March 17, 2026, workshop.

6. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.

There is no cost to the Board in effectuating this change, though the changes will act to increase yearly revenues to offset Board operational expenses.

7. A description of and citation to any regulations of other state or local governmental agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the notice must include the name of the regulating federal agency.

There is no federal agency with dental profession licensing oversight, and thus no federal and state conflicts of law exist. Additionally, as the Board is the only dental profession licensing agency in the State of Nevada, there is unlikely to be any conflicting regulatory goals amongst state agencies.

8. If the regulation is required pursuant to federal law, a citation and description of the federal law.

This regulation is not required by federal law.

9. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.

Not applicable; federal law does not govern state professional occupational licensing.

10. Whether the proposed regulation establishes a new fee or increases an existing fee.

This regulation does not create new fees, but it does codify fees already being paid and separates our fee structure out by licensee and permit types to make it easier for licensees to follow. This regulation does increase fees already payable to the Board. The Board did work with LCB to ensure no statutory caps were exceeded.

11. If the proposed regulation is a temporary regulation, each address at which the text of the regulation may be inspected and copied.)

Not applicable; this is not a temporary regulation.

Persons wishing to comment upon the action of the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views, or arguments, in written form, to Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners, 2651 N. Green Valley Parkway, Suite 104, Henderson, Nevada 89014. Written submissions must be received by the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners on or before close of business on July 27, 2026. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

A copy of this notice and the regulation to be Adopted will be on file at the State Library, Archives and Public Records, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the regulation to be Adopted will be available at the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners website and for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours at the Board's physical office. This notice and the text of the proposed regulation will also be available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations, which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653, and on the Internet at <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/>. Additional copies of the notice and the regulation to be adopted will be available at the main public library for all counties in which an office of the Board is not maintained. Copies of this notice and the proposed regulation will also be mailed to members of the public at no charge upon request.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

This Notice of Intent to Act and Public Hearing has been sent to/posted at the following locations:

- 1) Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners, 2651 N. Green Valley Parkway, Henderson, Nevada 89014 - www.dental.nv.gov
- 2) Nevada State Board of Dental Examiner's website - www.dental.nv.gov
- 2) Legislative Counsel Bureau - www.leg.state.nv.us
- 3) State Library and Archives - www.nsla.nv.gov
- 4) Carson City Main Library, 900 N Roop St, Carson City, NV 89701
- 5) Churchill County Main Library, 553 S Maine St, Fallon, NV 89406
- 6) Douglas County Main Library, 1625 Library Ln, Minden, NV 89423
- 7) Elko County Main Library, 720 Court St, Elko, NV 89801
- 8) Esmerelda County Main Library, PO Box 430, Goldfield, NV 89013
- 9) Eureka County Main Library, 80 Monroe St, Eureka, NV 89316
- 10) Humboldt County Main Library, 85 E 5th St, Winnemucca, NV 89445
- 11) Lander County Main Library, 625 S Broad St, Battle Mountain, NV 89820
- 12) Lincoln County Main Library, 63 Main Street, PO Box 330, Pioche, NV 89043
- 13) Lyon County Main Library, 20 Nevin Way, Yerington, NV 89447
- 14) Mineral County Main Library, 110 1st Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415
- 15) Nye County Main Library, 701 East Street, Pahrump, NV 89048
- 16) Pershing County Main Library, 1125 Central Ave, Lovelock, NV 89419
- 17) Storey County Main Library, 175 Carson St 2nd Floor, Virginia City, NV 89440
- 18) Washoe County Main Library, 301 South Center Street, Reno, NV 89501
- 19) White Pine County Main Library, 950 Campton St, Ely, NV 89301

**REVISED PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS OF NEVADA**

LCB File No. R050-26

May 28, 2026

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§ 1, 2 and 4, NRS 631.190 and 631.345; § 3, NRS 631.190 and 631.265.

A REGULATION relating to oral health; repealing, reenacting, reorganizing and revising provisions establishing a schedule of fees charged and collected by the Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada; requiring the applicable fee for the renewal of a general anesthesia permit or moderate sedation permit to be submitted to the Board simultaneously with the submission of the fee for the renewal of the license of the holder of the permit; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law requires the Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada to establish by regulation fees associated with the performance of its duties and sets forth certain maximum amounts for such fees. (NRS 631.345) Existing regulations establish a schedule of fees that the Board will charge and collect. (NAC 631.029) **Section 4** of this regulation repeals provisions setting forth that schedule of fees. **Section 1** of this regulation reenacts, reorganizes and revises provisions establishing the schedule of fees with certain changes, including, without limitation: (1) increasing the amount of various fees, including, among others, fees for the issuance and renewal of licenses issued by the Board; and (2) establishing certain new fees including, among others, fees associated with a license to practice expanded function dental assistance.

Section 2 of this regulation makes a conforming change to replace a reference to the schedule of fees repealed in **section 4** with a reference to the schedule of fees established in **section 1**.

Existing regulations require each general anesthesia permit and moderate sedation permit to be renewed annually or biennially, as applicable, based on the renewal period for the type of license held by the holder of the permit. (NAC 631.2217) **Section 3** of this regulation specifies that the applicable fee for the renewal of the permit is required to be submitted to the Board simultaneously with the submission of the fee for the renewal of the license.

Section 1. Chapter 631 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

The Board will charge and collect the following fees:

1. For initial licensure:

(a) For a dentist:

- (1) Application fee for an initial license to practice dentistry.....\$1,300*
- (2) Application fee for an initial specialist’s license to practice dentistry.....1,425*
- (3) Application fee for an initial limited license to practice dentistry300*
- (4) Application fee for an initial restricted geographical license to practice dentistry300*
- (5) Application fee for an initial restricted license to practice dentistry at a facility that provides dental services to persons of low income300*
- (6) Application fee for a transition from general dentistry to a specialist’s license, for a transition from a specialist’s license to general dentistry or for each additional specialist’s license after the initial issuance of a specialist’s license.....125*

(b) For a dental hygienist:

- (1) Application fee for an initial license to practice dental hygiene.....675*
- (2) Application fee for an initial limited license to practice dental hygiene300*
- (3) Application fee for an initial restricted geographical license to practice dental hygiene.....300*

(c) For a dental therapist:

- (1) Application fee for an initial license to practice dental therapy750*
- (2) Application fee for an initial limited license to practice dental therapy.....300*
- (3) Application fee for an initial restricted geographical license to practice dental therapy.....300*

(d) <i>For an expanded function dental assistant:</i>	
(1) <i>Application fee for an initial license to practice expanded function dental assistance.....</i>	<i>125</i>
(2) <i>Application fee for an initial limited license to practice expanded function dental assistance.....</i>	<i>75</i>
(3) <i>Application fee for an initial restricted geographical license to practice expanded function dental assistance.....</i>	<i>125</i>
2. <i>For the renewal of a license:</i>	
(a) <i>For an active dentist:</i>	
(1) <i>Biennial license renewal fee for a general license or specialist’s license to practice dentistry</i>	<i>755</i>
(2) <i>Biennial license renewal fee for a restricted geographical license to practice dentistry</i>	<i>600</i>
(3) <i>Annual license renewal fee for a limited license to practice dentistry</i>	<i>300</i>
(4) <i>Annual license renewal fee for a restricted license at a facility that provides dental services to persons of low income.....</i>	<i>300</i>
(b) <i>For an inactive dentist or a dentist who is retired or has a disability:</i>	
(1) <i>Biennial license renewal fee for an inactive dentist.....</i>	<i>250</i>
(2) <i>Biennial license renewal fee for a dentist who is retired or has a disability</i>	<i>100</i>
(c) <i>For an active dental hygienist:</i>	
(1) <i>Biennial license renewal fee to practice dental hygiene</i>	<i>380</i>
(2) <i>Biennial license renewal fee for a restricted geographical license to practice dental hygiene</i>	<i>375</i>

(3) Annual license renewal fee for a limited license to practice dental hygiene	300
(d) For an inactive dental hygienist or a dental hygienist who is retired or has a disability:	
(1) Biennial license renewal fee for an inactive dental hygienist.....	100
(2) Biennial license renewal fee for a dental hygienist who is retired or has a disability.....	50
(e) For an active dental therapist:	
(1) Biennial license renewal fee to practice dental therapy.....	600
(2) Biennial license renewal fee for a restricted geographical license to practice dental therapy.....	300
(3) Annual license renewal fee for a limited license to practice dental therapy	300
(f) For an inactive dental therapist or a dental therapist who is retired or has a disability:	
(1) Biennial license renewal fee for an inactive dental therapist	100
(2) Biennial license renewal fee for a dental therapist who is retired or has a disability.....	50
(g) For an active expanded function dental assistant:	
(1) Biennial license renewal fee to practice expanded function dental assistance.....	100
(2) Biennial license renewal fee for a restricted geographical license to practice expanded function dental assistance.....	100
(3) Annual license renewal fee for a limited license to practice expanded function dental assistance.....	75

(h) For an inactive expanded function dental assistant or expanded function dental assistant who is retired or has a disability:

(1) Biennial license renewal fee for an inactive expanded function dental assistant75

(2) Biennial license renewal fee for an expanded function dental assistant who is retired or has a disability50

3. For permitting:

(a) For an administrator permit:

(1) Evaluation fee for an initial permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation.....750

(2) Fee for the renewal of a permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation, which must accompany the fee for license renewal.....400

(3) Late fee for the late submission of an application to renew a permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation50

(4) Fee for a reevaluation to maintain a permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation.....500

(b) For a site permit:

(1) Initial inspection fee for a site permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation.....500

(2) Fee for the renewal of a site permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation, which must accompany the fee for license renewal.....400

(3) Late fee for the late submission of an application to renew a site permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation50

(4) Fee for a reinspection to maintain a site permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation	350
(5) Late fee for submitting a request for a reinspection to maintain a site permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation more than 5 years after the date on which the immediately preceding inspection was passed	250
4. For an infection control inspection:	
(a) Application and inspection fee for the initial inspection of a facility to ensure compliance with infection control guidelines	500
(b) Fee for any reinspection to demonstrate compliance with infection control guidelines.....	300
5. For a practitioner-specific endorsement or certification:	
(a) Fee for a special endorsement to practice restorative dental hygiene	50
(b) Fee for certifying a dental hygienist to administer nitrous oxide.....	25
(c) Fee for certifying a dental hygienist to administer local anesthesia	25
6. For the restoration or reinstatement of a license:	
(a) Reinstatement fee for a license to practice dentistry, dental hygiene or dental therapy that was suspended for the failure to renew	375
(b) Reinstatement fee for a license to practice dentistry, dental hygiene or dental therapy that was revoked for the failure to renew	500
(c) Reinstatement fee to return a dentist, dental hygienist or dental therapist who is inactive, retired or has a disability to active status	375
(d) Late fee for the late submission of an application to renew a license to practice expanded function dental assistance.....	25

(e) *Reinstatement fee for a license to practice expanded function dental assistance that was suspended for the failure to renew*20

(f) *Reinstatement fee for a license to practice expanded function dental assistance that was revoked for the failure to renew*.....25

(g) *Reinstatement fee to return an inactive license to practice expanded function dental assistance to active status*25

7. *For certain administrative matters:*

(a) *Fee for the certification of a license*50

(b) *Fee for a wall certificate*.....25

(c) *Fee for a pocket card receipt*25

(d) *Application and examination fee for an examination concerning the provisions of this chapter and chapter 631 of NRS*50

Sec. 2. NAC 631.028 is hereby amended to read as follows:

631.028 1. An application for licensure must be filed with the Executive Director on a form furnished by the Board. The application must be sworn to before a notary public or other officer authorized to administer oaths and accompanied by the fee required pursuant to ~~NAC 631.029.~~ *section 1 of this regulation.*

2. All such fees must be paid with an instrument which is immediately negotiable.

Sec. 3. NAC 631.2217 is hereby amended to read as follows:

631.2217 1. The holder of a general anesthesia permit or moderate sedation permit is subject to review by the Board at any time.

2. Each general anesthesia permit and moderate sedation permit must be renewed annually or biennially, as applicable, based on the renewal period set forth in NRS 631.330 for the type of

license held by the holder of the permit. *The applicable fee for the renewal of the permit must be submitted to the Board simultaneously with the submission of the fee for the renewal of the license.*

Sec. 4. NAC 631.029 is hereby repealed.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION

631.029 Schedule of fees. (NRS 631.190, 631.240, 631.345) The Board will charge and collect the following fees:

Application fee for an initial license to practice dentistry if the applicant has successfully passed a clinical examination administered by the Western Regional Examining Board or a clinical examination approved by the Board and the American Board of Dental Examiners and administered by a regional examination organization other than the Board.....	\$1,200
Application fee for an initial license to practice dental therapy or dental hygiene	600
Application fee for a specialty license by credential.....	1,200
Application fee for a temporary restricted geographical license to practice dentistry	600

Application fee for a temporary restricted geographical license to practice dental therapy or dental hygiene.....	150
Application fee for a specialist’s license to practice dentistry	125
Application fee for a limited license or restricted license to practice dentistry, dental therapy or dental hygiene.....	125
Application and examination fee for a permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation	750
Application and examination fee for a site permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation	500
Fee for any reinspection required by the Board to maintain a permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation.....	500
Fee for the initial inspection of a facility required by the Board to ensure compliance with infection control guidelines.....	250
Fee for a second or subsequent inspection of a facility required by the Board to ensure compliance with infection control guidelines	150
Biennial renewal fee for a permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation.....	200
Fee for the inspection of a facility required by the Board to renew a permit to administer general anesthesia, moderate sedation or deep sedation.....	350
Biennial license renewal fee for a general license or specialist’s license to practice dentistry	600
Biennial license renewal fee for a restricted geographical license to practice dentistry	600

Biennial license renewal fee for a restricted geographical license to practice dental therapy or dental hygiene.....	300
Biennial license renewal fee for a general license to practice dental therapy or dental hygiene.....	300
Annual license renewal fee for a limited license to practice dentistry, dental therapy or dental hygiene	200
Annual license renewal fee for a restricted license to practice dentistry	100
Biennial license renewal fee for an inactive dentist	200
Biennial license renewal fee for an inactive dental therapist or dental hygienist	50
Fee for a second or subsequent audit to ensure compliance with continuing education requirements.....	200
Reinstatement fee for a suspended license to practice dentistry, dental therapy or dental hygiene	300
Reinstatement fee for a revoked license to practice dentistry, dental therapy or dental hygiene.....	500
Reinstatement fee to return an inactive or retired dentist, dental therapist or dental hygienist or a dentist, dental therapist or dental hygienist with a disability to active status	300
Fee for the certification of a license	25
Fee for the certification of a license to administer nitrous oxide or local anesthesia.....	25
Fee for a duplicate wall certificate	25

Fee for a duplicate pocket card receipt.....	25
Application fee for converting a temporary license to a permanent license	125
Fee for an application packet for an examination	25
Fee for an application packet for licensure by credentials	25