



Notice of Proposed Changes in the Regulations of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

Proposed Regulations - FAQ

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1. What is the purpose of the proposed regulations? What will these regulations do?

12 AAC 02.180. Construction Contractors This change is to clarify that 'name change' requests are for DBA, owner, or entity changes – rather than general name changes. This will assist in clarity for licensees, and will cut down on unnecessary applications.

12 AAC 02.320. State physical therapy and occupational therapy board These changes are to update outdated language. "Physical therapy assistants" are now referred to as "physical therapist assistants". This will bring the regulation into alignment with the Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board statutes and regulations.

12 AAC 02.900. Name and address changes These changes will allow applicants and licensees to apply for name and address changes via the MyLicense portal (via My Alaska), and will allow for the main point of contact for correspondence to be through electronic mail, if they have opted in for electronic communication. This will allow for faster processing, and faster communication.

12 AAC 02.920. Filing date These updates will include official filing date times for electronic mail messages, and for documents that are uploaded by applicants or licensees via the MyLicense portal (via My Alaska).

12 AAC 02.955. Courtesy license This section is proposed to be repealed in full. The professions listed in this section to receive courtesy licenses are not being used often, and have not been issued in many years. This is now considered outdated and is proposed to be removed.

2. What are the costs to comply with the proposed regulations?

There are no known costs to implement these changes.

3. When will the regulations be effective?

After the public comment deadline, comments received are compiled and given to the Department for consideration. The Department may adopt the regulation as written/publicly noticed, may amend and adopt them, choose to take no action, or may withdraw the proposed regulations in part or in its whole. After Department action, the adopted regulations go to Department of Law (DOL) for final review/approval. DOL either approves or disapproves regulations. Once approved by DOL, it goes to the Lt. Governor for filing. Regulation takes effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the Lt. Governor.

Do you have a question that is not answered here? Please email RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov so it can be added.