



## **Business League for Massage Therapy & Bodywork (BLMTB)**

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### **Newsletter Update**

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#### **Reminder: the July 1, 2010 deadline is coming up.**

You must apply for a license by this date if

1. you are not 18 by July 1 OR
2. you have not completed your 100 hours in Montana by July 1.

**If you have turned 18 AND you have your practice hours in by July 1, then you don't have to apply until 2012.**

#### **BLMTB Board Revises Position Concerning Recent Rule Notice**

Upon a careful re-reading of the Continuing Education rules, the BLMTB Board has slightly revised its position on this rule:

While the BLMTB Board generally supports the continuing education rule, there is a small issue that needs to be corrected.

Correspondence courses taken by mail, such as those currently accepted by the NCBTMB, are treated by the NCBTMB the same as other workshops taken online. We respectfully request that the Massage Therapy Board do the same and not put them in the same category as books or audio tapes.

The BLMTB Board proposes that New Rule\_Continuing Education Requirements be revised in the following manner:

- a) Add: "or by correspondence" to (5)(a) so that it now reads:  
"courses, seminars, or workshops taken in person or by correspondence or online or by other electronic means" AND
- b) delete "correspondence courses" from (5)(d) to read:  
"books or audio tapes documented by notes summarizing the course content; and"

**If you feel the same way as we do, please write to the Board and let them know. Submit your comments before 5pm June 25<sup>th</sup> to:**

The Board of Massage Therapy, 301 South Park Avenue, P.O. Box 200513, Helena, Montana 59620-0513,  
by facsimile to (406) 841-2305, or by e-mail to [dlibsdlmt@mt.gov](mailto:dlibsdlmt@mt.gov).

#### **MORE FAQs ADDED TO THE WEBSITE**

The FAQ section of the BLMTB Website is a work in progress. We've been adding to it as we've been able. The following FAQs have been added recently. We'll keep you posted as we add more questions and answers.

Continuing Education FAQs that have been added (more will be added as we can get to them):

- [What kind of paperwork do I have to provide?](#)
- [How do I document my CE's?](#)
- [How long do I need to keep my CE records for?](#)
- [If I apply for a massage license by grandfathering does this make me more likely to be audited by the Board?](#)
- [What if I can't take 12 hours in CE courses by the due date?](#)

Miscellaneous FAQs that have been added:

- [Will my massage therapy license state if I was licensed by grandfathering, education or equivalent licensure?](#)
- [Why does it cost less to apply by grandfather application than it does by endorsement or education?](#)
- [How are the fees determined?](#)
- [Am I required to put my license number in my advertising?](#)
- [Will licensing increase my ability to get paid by insurance?](#)
- [Will I be required to carry liability insurance?](#)
- [Will the Board do inspections?](#)
- [Can other professions' inspectors enter my space?](#)
- [Questions Concerning Schools...](#)

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Thanks for Reading!

The BLMTB Board