

Proposed Changes to the By-Law Text

The full text of the proposed additions to the by-laws are set out below, in red.

Article 5: Fees

(a) Annual Registration Fees

Class	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Registered Optician	\$899	\$921	\$944	\$968	\$742	\$867	\$992
Registered Intern Optician	\$132	\$136	\$139	\$142	\$146	\$146	\$146
Registered Student Optician	\$132	\$136	\$139	\$142	\$146	\$146	\$146
Inactive Optician	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$331

(b) Pro-rated Registration Fees

(i) For individuals who have never been registered with the College, the initial annual registration fee for the Registered Optician class is pro-rated as follows:

- a. For applications submitted in the period January 1 to March 31:
100% of the posted registration fee.
- b. For applications submitted in the period April 1 to June 30:
75% of the posted registration fee.
- c. For applications submitted in the period July 1 to September 31:
50% of the posted registration fee.
- d. For applications submitted in the period October 1 to December 31:
25% of the posted fee.

(ii) Individuals who are registered in the Inactive Class and have paid the annual registration fee for the Inactive Class, and who request to change their status to the Registered Optician class, will be charged the following pro-rated Registered Optician fee:

- a. For requests submitted in the period January 1 to March 31:
67% of the posted Registered Optician registration fee.
- b. For requests submitted in the period April 1 to June 30:
50% of the posted Registered Optician registration fee.
- c. For requests submitted in the period July 1 to September 31:
33% of the posted Registered Optician registration fee.

- d. For requests submitted in the period October 1 to December 31:
17% of the posted Registered Optician fee.

5.5 Reinstatement Fees and Status Change Fees

- (a) The reinstatement fees for the reinstatement of a certificate of registration for a Registrant who has been suspended by the Registrar, or as a result of a disciplinary or incapacity proceeding, are as follows:

Registered Optician:	\$125
Registered Intern Optician:	\$50
Registered Student Optician:	\$50

- (b) In addition to the reinstatement fee set out in 5.5 (a), the Registrant must pay the annual registration fee for the year in which they reinstate.
- (c) The fee for a Registrant to change from the Registered Optician Class to the Inactive Class or from the Inactive Class to the Registered Optician Class is \$125. This fee will only be charged if the change in status is made at a time other than during the Registrant's annual renewal process.
- (d) In addition to the status change fee set out in 5.5(c), a Registrant changing from the Inactive Class to the Registered Optician class must pay the annual registration fee for the year in which they return to the Registered Optician class, in accordance with the pro-rated fee schedule set out in article 5.2(b)(ii).

Article 25: Professional Liability Insurance

25.1 Professional Liability Insurance Mandatory

No Registrants shall engage in the practice of opticianry unless they have professional liability insurance containing coverage of not less than \$1,000,000.

25.2 Evidence of Liability Insurance

Registrants who are required to hold the professional liability insurance referred to in section 25.1 shall provide current documentary proof, in a form acceptable to the Registrar, that their professional liability insurance complies with this section in the following circumstances:

- (a) As a condition for the issue, renewal or reinstatement of a certificate of registration as a Registered Optician.
- (b) As a condition for a Registrant to change their status from the Inactive class to the Registered Optician class.

- (c) At any other time within 30 days of a request by the College.

25.3 Exemption

- (a) A Registrant who applies for the issue, renewal or reinstatement of a certificate of registration as a Registered Optician is exempt from the requirement to provide proof of professional liability insurance if, at the time they submit the application form, they provide the Registrar with a written undertaking that they will not engage in the practice of opticianry nor supervise or direct a Registered Intern Optician, Registered Student Optician or any other student optician until they provide current documentary proof, in a form acceptable to the Registrar, that they hold the professional liability insurance referred to in section 25.1.
- (b) Breach of an undertaking referred to in subsection (a) shall be an act of professional misconduct for the purposes of clause 51 (1) (c) of the Health Professions Procedural Code.