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All Rules and Regulations pertaining to the Administration of the Georgia Board of Athletic Trainers shall be administered by the Joint Secretary of the State Examining Boards Division of the Office of the Secretary of State. The office of the Joint Secretary is located at 166 Pryor Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Authority O.C.G.A. 43-1-25; 43-5-2. **Administrative History.** Original Rule entitled "Organization of Board" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978. **Amended:** Filed July 21, 1983; effective August 10, 1983. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Administration" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

#### **53-1-.02 Organization of Board. Amended.**

The Georgia Board of Athletic Trainers shall consist of four members to be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. Two members must be athletic trainers licensed by the state, one member must be a practicing physician licensed by the state, and one must be a consumer member.

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. 43-1-25; 43-5-2. **Administrative History.** Original Rule entitled "Officers was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Organization of Board" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

#### **53-1-.03 Officers Amended.**

The Board shall elect annually from its members a chair and vice chair who shall have the privilege of re-election.

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. 43-1-25; 43-5-2. **Administrative History.** Original Rule entitled "Joint Secretary, Records. Fees" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978.

#### **53-1-.04 Meetings. Amended.**

(1) The Board shall meet at least twice each year. Additional meetings may be held on the call of the chair or at the written request of any two members of the Board.

(2) Members may also conduct business by telephone and mail, provided a record is kept of all transactions and a written report submitted for the minutes at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

(3) The quorum required for any meeting of the Board shall be three members.

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-5-3; 43-1-25; 43-5-2. **Administrative History.** Original Rule entitled "Meetings" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978. **Amended:** Filed July 21, 1983; effective August 10, 1983. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Meetings" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

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The Law, as used in these Rules, shall mean the Georgia Athletic Trainers Licensing Act (O.C.G.A. Section 43-5-1 *et seq.*)

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-5-1. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Law Defined" adopted. F. June 8, 1978; eff. June 28, 1978. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Law" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

**53-2-.02 Board.**

The Board as used in these Rules, shall mean the Georgia Board of Athletic Trainers.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-5-1. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Athletic Trainer" adopted. F. June 8, 1978; eff. June 28, 1978. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Board" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

**53-2-.03 Athletic Trainer. Amended**

(1) "Athletic trainer" means a person with specific qualifications, as set forth in Code Section 43-5-8 who, upon the advice and consent of a physician, carries out the practice of prevention, recognition, evaluation, management, disposition, treatment, or rehabilitation of athletic injuries; and, in carrying out these functions, the athletic trainer is authorized to use physical modalities, such as heat, light, sound, cold, electricity, or mechanical devices related to prevention, recognition, evaluation, management, disposition, rehabilitation, and treatment. The term "athletic trainer" shall not include any student, teacher, or other person who serves as an athletic trainer for an elementary school or high school, either public or private, within this state.

(2) The term "athletic trainer" shall not include any students, teacher, or other person who serves as an athletic trainer for an elementary school or high school, either public or private, within this State. Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to prevent any person from serving as a student-trainer, assistant-trainer, teacher-trainer, or any similar position if such service is not primarily for compensation and is carried out under the supervision of a coach, physician, or a licensed athletic trainer.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-5-1. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Athletic Trainer" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989. **Amended:** F. Feb. 28, 1995; eff. Mar. 20, 1995.

### **53-2-.04 Apprentice.**

Until June 30, 2004, apprentice means an undergraduate or graduate student who is learning to become an athletic trainer and whose activities are under the direct supervision of a licensed athletic trainer.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-5-1, 43-5-6, 43-5-8. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Apprentice" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989. **Amended:** F. June 16, 2004; eff. July 6, 2004.

### **53-2-.05 Direct Supervision.**

Direct Supervision means personal contact between the athletic training supervisee and the licensed athletic trainer who plans, directs, advises, and evaluates the supervisee's athletic training experience. Such personal contact must be adequate to assure that the supervisee performs tasks in a manner consistent with the standards of practice of the profession of athletic training. The supervising athletic trainer must be recognized as an athletic trainer at the setting where the training experience is being attained, and must maintain a record of the training experience hours received by the student.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-5-1. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Supervision or Direct Supervision" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989. **Amended:** F. May 11, 1994; eff. May 31, 1994. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Direct Supervision" adopted. F. Aug. 8, 1996; eff. Aug. 28, 1996.

### **53-2-.06 Athletic Injury.**

An athletic injury means any injury sustained by a person as a result of such person's participation in exercise, sports, games or recreation requiring physical strength, agility, flexibility, range of motion, speed, or stamina or any comparable injury which prevents such person from participating in such activities.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25; 43-5-1. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Approved Athletic Trainer". F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989. **Repealed:** Rule entitled "Athletic Injury" renumbered from 53-2-.07 to .06 F. Aug. 8, 1996; eff. Aug. 28, 1996.

### **53-2-.07 Repealed.**

Authority O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-1-25, 43-5-1. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Athletic Injury" adopted. F. Apr. 10, 1996; eff. Apr. 30, 1996. **Repealed:** F. Aug. 8, 1996; eff. Aug. 28, 1996.

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### **53-3-.01 Qualifications.**

(1) All persons applying on or after July 1, 2004 who seek licensure as an Athletic Trainer in the State of Georgia must have graduated from a college or university in the athletic training program, which has been accredited by the NATA Board of Certification (NATABOC).

(2) All persons applying on or before June 30, 2004 who seek licensure as an Athletic Trainer in the State of Georgia must satisfy one of the three following:

(a) Have graduated from a college or university in an athletic training program, which has been accredited by the NATA Board of Certification (NATABOC).

(b) Hold a degree in physical therapy or corrective therapy with at least a minor in physical education or health, which included a basic athletic training course and have spent at least two academic years working under the direct supervision of an approved athletic trainer.

1. A basic athletic training course means a course which includes but is not limited to prevention of athletic injuries, evaluation of athletic injuries and medical referral, first aid and emergency care, counseling and guidance, and education.

2. Two academic years of direct supervision (*See* definition in Chapter 2) means a minimum of 750 hours in each semester year.

3. An approved athletic trainer means an athletic trainer who is:

(i) licensed in Georgia for a minimum of 3 years, or

(ii) certified by NATA for a minimum of 3 years, or

(iii) licensed in a state whose licensure qualifications are substantially similar to those of Georgia for a minimum of 3 years.

(c) Have completed at least four years beyond the secondary school level, while either as an undergraduate or graduate student, as an apprentice athletic trainer under the direct supervision (*See* definitions in Chapter 2) of a licensed athletic trainer. Such four years must be consecutive years of supervision, military duty excepted.

1. One year of apprenticeship means at least 750 hours during a calendar year.

2. A minimum of four calendar years (3000 hours) of apprenticeship are required for licensure.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-5-1, 43-5-6 to 43-5-9. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Applications" adopted. F. June 8, 1978; eff. June 28, 1978. **Amended:** F. July 21, 1983; eff. Aug. 10, 1983. **Repealed:**

New Rule entitled "Qualifications" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989. **Amended:** F. Aug. 8, 1996; eff. Aug. 28, 1996. **Amended:** F. June 16, 2004; eff. July 6, 2004.

### **53-3-.02 Application. Amended.**

(1) Each candidate for licensure by examination must file a written application on a form which will be furnished by the Board upon request. The application form must be filled out in its entirety, and must include all relevant documents and fees.

(2) Applications for certification must be received by the Board and completed in their entirety 60 days before the scheduled examination.

(3) The applicant will be notified in writing of approval or denial of a request to take the examinations.

(4) Once an application is reviewed by the Board, no refund of the application fee shall be issued.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-5, 43-1-19, 43-1-25, 43-5-9, 43-51-7. **History.** Original Rule entitled "References" adopted. F. June 8, 1978; eff. June 28, 1978. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Application" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989. **Amended:** F. May 11, 1994; eff. May 31, 1994.

### **53-3-.03 Fees. Amended.**

Refer to the Fee Schedule for appropriate fees payable to the Board. Any request for refund must be submitted in writing.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-5-9. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Transcripts" adopted. F. June 8, 1978; eff. June 28, 1978. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Fees" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

### **53-3-.04 Examinations. Amended.**

(1) The applicant must pass both a written examination and an oral/practical examination.

(2) The applicant may take the examinations only after the Board has reviewed and approved their application for licensure by examination.

(3) An applicant who passes either the written or oral examinations and fails the other does not need to re-take the previously passed examination.

(4) An applicant who fails the written examination may re-take the written examination after submitting a written request for re-examination and a paying a re-examination fee.

(See Fee Schedule)

(5) An applicant who fails the oral/practical examination may take the oral/practical examination after submitting a written request for re-examination and paying a re-examination fee. (See Fee Schedule)

Authority O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-5-6, 43-1-25, 43-5-9. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Examinations" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978. **Amended:** Filed July 21, 1983; effective August 10, 1983.

**Repealed:** New Rule of the same title adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

### **53-3-.05 Repealed.**

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-1-25, 43-5-9.

**History.** Original Rule entitled "Passing Score" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978.

**Repealed:** F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

### **53-3-.06 Repealed.**

Authority O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-5-6; 43-5-9. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Re-Examination" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978. **Amended:** Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed July 21, 1983; effective August 10, 1983. **Repealed:** F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

### **53-3-.07 Repealed.**

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-1-25, 43-5-9.

**History.** Original Rule entitled "Board Action on Application" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978. **Repealed:** F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

### **53-3-.08 Repealed.**

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-1-25, 43-5-9.

**History.** Original Rule entitled "Renewal" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978. **Repealed:** F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

### **53-3-.09 Repealed.**

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-1-25, 43-5-9.

**History.** Original Rule entitled "Late Renewal" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978.

**Repealed:** F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

### **53-3-.10 Repealed.**

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-1-25, 43-5-9.

**History.** Original Rule entitled "Fees" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978. **Repealed:** Rule renumbered as 53-3-.03 F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

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An out-of-state applicant who is licensed in another state and who satisfies the requirements set out in Rule 53-3-.02 (1), (2) or (3) may be licensed in Georgia without examination upon submission of the appropriate forms, fee and a copy of the state's law and rules. In order for Georgia to issue such a license, the other state must license candidates from Georgia in the same manner.

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. 43-5-6, 43-1-25, 43-5-8. **Administrative History.** Original Rule entitled "Code of Ethics" was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978. **Amended:** Filed July 21, 1983; effective August 10, 1983. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Non-resident Licensed in Another State" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

#### **53-4-.02 NATA Certified.**

An applicant who holds current National Athletic Trainers Association Certification (NATA) may be licensed without examination upon submission of the appropriate forms and fee.

Authority O.C.G.A. 43-1-25, 43-5-8. **History.** Original Rule entitled "NATA Certified" was f. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

#### **53-4-.03 Application.**

(1) Each candidate for licensure by reciprocity must file a written application on a form which will be furnished by the Board upon request. The application form must be filled out in its entirety, must include all relevant documents and fees. (See Fee Schedule)

(2) The applicant shall direct either the state board to send to the Georgia Board an official verification of licensure **or** NATA to send to the Georgia Board an official verification of registration.

(3) An application must be complete within six months of the date the first document was received by the Board. Any application not completed within this period will become void. Any consideration of licensure after that date will require the applicant to submit a new application, new documents, and the appropriate fee.

(4) Once an application is reviewed by the Board, no refund of the application fee shall be issued.

Authority O.C.G.A. 43-1-25, 43-5-8. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Application" was f. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

#### **53-4-.04 Fees.**

Refer to the Fee Schedule for appropriate fees payable to the Board. Any request for refund must be submitted in writing.

Authority O.C.G.A. 43-1-25, 43-5-8. **History.** Original Rule entitled ""Fees"" was f. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

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- (1) Licensees shall neither practice nor condone discrimination on the basis of race, creed, national origin, sex, age, handicap, disease entity; social status, financial status or religious affiliation.
- (2) Licensees shall provide competent care consistent with both the requirements and the limitation of their profession.
- (3) Licensees shall preserve the confidentiality of privileged information and shall not release such information to a third party not involved in the patient's care unless the person consents to such release or release is permitted or required by law.
- (4) Licensees shall comply with applicable local, state, and federal laws.
- (5) Licensees shall report illegal or unethical practice pertaining to athletic training to the appropriate person or authority.
- (6) Licensees shall not practice when their ability is impaired by the use of drugs or alcohol.
- (7) Licensees shall not misrepresent in any manner, either directly or indirectly, their skills, training, professional credentials, identity or services.
- (8) Licensees shall provide only those services for which they are qualified via education and/or experience and by pertinent legal regulatory process.
- (9) Licensees shall provide services, make referrals, and seek compensation only for those services that are necessary and appropriate
- (10) Licensees employing, supervising, or evaluating the performance of other staff members shall fulfill such responsibility in a fair, considerate, and equitable manner, on the basis of clearly enunciated criteria.
- (11) Licensees shall educate those whom they supervise in the practice of athletic training with regard to the Standards of Practice and encourage their adherence to it.
- (12) Whenever possible, licensees are encouraged to participate and support others in the conduct and communication of research and educational activities that may contribute knowledge for improved patient care, patient, or student education, and the growth of athletic training as a profession.
- (13) When licensees are researchers or educators, they shall maintain and promote ethical conduct in research and educational activities.
- (14) Licensees shall charge only for their services rendered.

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-1-25, 43-5-1, 43-5-6(a). **History.** Original Rule entitled "Ethics of the Athletic Trainer" was filed on Jun. 8, 1978; eff. Jun. 28, 1978. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Code of Ethics" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Standards of Practice" adopted. F. Aug. 8, 1996; eff. Aug. 28, 1996.

### **53-5-.02 Repealed.**

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1124 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-5-6.

**History.** Original Rule entitled "Unprofessional Conduct Defined" was filed on June 8, 1978; eff. June 28, 1978. **Repealed:** F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

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#### **53-6-.01 Renewal of License, Continuing Education.**

(1) Athletic trainer licenses expire on July 1 of even numbered years and are renewable for two years upon receipt of a renewal application and renewal fee and upon compliance with the continuing education requirement set forth below.

(2) To be eligible for renewal, an athletic trainer must have completed, within the preceding two years, at least forty contact hours of continuing education acceptable to the Board. Provided, however, that an athletic trainer who received his license within one year of the renewal date shall not be required to meet the continuing education requirements for that renewal period. Each athletic trainer shall retain proof of attendance of continuing education programs for a period of three years from the date of attendance.

(3) Athletic trainers will be required to answer questions on their biennial renewal form which establish their compliance with the continuing education requirement. A false statement regarding compliance with the continuing education requirement shall be grounds for revocation or other disciplinary action by the Board.

(4) The staff of the Board shall make a random selection of the actively licensed athletic trainers for the purpose of auditing their compliance with the continuing education requirements of this chapter. The athletic trainers so selected shall receive notice of their selection following completion of the renewals on July 1 of even numbered years. Those selected shall submit proof of compliance within 30 days of receipt of the audit letter. Failure to submit such proof of compliance shall be grounds for revocation or other disciplinary action by the Board.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-4, 43-1-25, 43-5-6, 43-5-9. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Guidelines" adopted. F. June 8, 1978; eff. June 28, 1978. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Expiration of License" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Renewal of License, Continuing Education" adopted. F. May 11, 1994; eff. May 31, 1994. **Amended:** F. June 16, 2004; eff. July 6, 2004.

#### **53-6-.02 Late Renewal.**

A license which is renewed between August 1 and September 30 following expiration is subject to a penalty surcharge. (See Fee Schedule.) Failure to renew a license by October 1 of an even year shall have the same effect as revocation.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1.4, 43-1-25, 43-5-6. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Late Renewal" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

### **53-6-.03 Reinstatement.**

A license which is revoked for failure to renew may be reinstated upon the discretion of the Board within two years from its expiration date upon receipt of a reinstatement application and reinstatement fee. A license which is expired for two years or more cannot be renewed or reinstated. Any consideration for re-licensure will require submission of a new application and will require the applicant to satisfy the then existent requirements.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-4, 43-1-25, 43-5-6. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Reinstatement" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

### **53-6-.04 Inactive Status. Amended.**

(1) While the athletic trainer's license is classified as inactive, that athletic trainer shall not be required to obtain continuing education. An athletic trainer whose license is on inactive status shall not represent himself/herself to the public as being able to practice as an athletic trainer.

(2) A licensee may maintain his/her license on inactive status for no more than five years. If licensee does not apply to reactivate his/her license before the end of the five year period, the license will be revoked for failure to reactivate. In order to obtain a new license, a person whose license has been revoked for failure to reactivate must apply for licensure by examination following the procedure set out in Chapter 53-3.

(3) A licensee may apply for inactive status by submitting an affidavit to the Board requesting inactive status and affirming that while on inactive status he/she will not practice athletic training in Georgia or hold themselves out to the public as an athletic trainer in Georgia. The licensee shall forward their biennial renewal license card to the Board with their affidavit but shall be permitted to retain the decorative wall certificate.

(4) The board will reactivate a license upon receipt of the following:

(a) Application for Reactivation;

(b) Reactivation Fee (See Fee Schedule);

(c) Evidence of completion of six hours of continuing education approved by the Board for each year the license was inactive. However, no proof of continuing education will be required of an applicant for reactivation who during the period that the Georgia license was inactive was: (1) practicing with an active license in a jurisdiction that requires continuing education to maintain that license; or (2) practicing with NATA certification in a jurisdiction that has licensing requirement.

Authority O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-5-6. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Inactive Status" adopted. F. Jul. 30, 1992; eff. Aug. 19, 1992. **Amended:** F. May 11, 1994; eff. May 31, 1994.

### **53-6-.05 Continuing Education Acceptable to the Board.**

(1) The following are continuing education programs which are acceptable to the Board:

(a) Clinics, conferences, courses, and workshops relating to athletic training topics which have been approved by a recognized athletic training or health related organization. The hour value of such programs shall be the same as that awarded by the approving organization;

(b) Certification in CPR, EMT, or First Aid by a provider acceptable to the Board. The hour value for receiving certification shall be as follows: Five hours for CPR; ten hours for EMT; and seven hours for first aid.

(2) The Board will consider requests to approve programs and activities other than those specified above for continuing education credit as follows:

(a) To apply for continuing education credit, athletic trainer must submit the following documentation:

1. Proof of attendance; and,
2. Copies of the program's agenda, including the name of the provider(s), the topic(s) covered, and the time spent on each topic.

(b) After reviewing the documentation submitted by the athletic trainer, the Board, in its discretion, shall determine whether the program is acceptable; and, if it is acceptable, the Board shall determine the number of hours of continuing education credit the athletic trainer shall receive for attendance.

(3) The Board will also consider requests for continuing education credit for participation as a speaker, teacher, or panelist in programs relating to athletic training topics. The athletic trainer should utilize the same application process set forth above in Rule 53-6-.05(2).

Authority O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-5-9(c). **History.** Original Rule entitled "Continuing Education Acceptable to the Board" adopted. F. May 11, 1994; eff. May 31, 1994.

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A request for a change of name from that under which the original certificate was issued shall be accompanied by a certified copy of the marriage certificate, court order, or documentation of a legal name change, and the appropriate fee. (See Fee Schedule)

Authority Ga. L. 1977, pp. 1123, 1125 (Ga. Code Ann. Sec. 84-7405); O.C.G.A. 43-1-25, 43-5-6.

**Administrative History.** Original Rule was filed on June 8, 1978; effective June 28, 1978. **Repealed.** New Rule entitled "Change of Name" adopted. F. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

#### **53-7-.02 Change of Address.**

Each licensee shall keep the Board apprised, in writing, of current name and address at all times.

Authority O.C.G.A. 43-1-25, 43-5-6. **History.** Original Rule was f. Apr. 28, 1889; eff. May 18, 1989.

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Refer to Fee Schedule for appropriate fees payable to the Board. Fees may be reviewed and changed at the discretion of the Board. Any request for refund must be submitted in writing. An indebtedness to the Board caused by a returned check will be dealt with in accordance with Code Section 16-9-20 of the Criminal Code of Georgia.

Authority O.C.G.A. 43-1-25; 43-5-6. **History.** Original Rule was f. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

# CHAPTER 53-9

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#### **53-9-.01 Procedural Rules.**

The Georgia Board of Athletic Trainers hereby adopts by reference as its permanent rules Chapters 295-3 through 295-13, and any future amendments thereto, Rules and Regulations of the Office of the Joint Secretary, State Examining Boards, relating to procedure for Hearings before the several Examining Boards.

Authority O.C.G.A. 43-1-25, 43-5-6. **History.** Original Rule was f. Apr. 28, 1989; eff. May 18, 1989.

# CHAPTER 53-10

## AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES

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The Board will provide reasonable accommodation to a qualified applicant with a disability in accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act. The request for an accommodation by an individual with a disability must be made in writing and received in the Board office by the application deadline along with appropriate documentation, as indicated in the *Request for Disability Accommodation Guidelines*.

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