

TENNESSEE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS - 2025 JURISPRUDENCE EXAM

Chapter 0480-01 General Rules Governing Dispensing Opticians – September 2024 (Revised)

*Valid for one (1) hour of Jurisprudence Continuing Education Credit with a passing score.
Must be submitted no later than 12/31/2025 and receive a passing score to receive the 2025 CE Credit.*

*The exam is graded on a scale of 0-100 with a minimum passing score of ninety (90).
Each exam question is worth four (4) points.*

You must keep a copy of your submission confirmation for your records.

Required Information: Complete all fields.

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Instructions: Circle the correct answer, either True or False, for each question. All questions will be graded. Any question not answered will be deemed incorrect.

1. True/False 0480-01-.14(4)(d)(2)

The Board may rescind its approval of any apprenticeship training program if it determines that the apprentice is not actively pursuing licensure including, but not limited to, working less than five hundred (500) hours per year as provided in sub-paragraph (4)(b), and failing to file semi-annual evaluation reports in a timely manner as provided in sub-paragraph (5)(c).

2. True/False 0480-01-.10(3)

Any office of a licensed dispensing optician, partnership or corporation which engages in optical dispensing must have a duly licensed dispensing optician on duty in each and every establishment; no office of a licensed dispensing optician, partnership or corporation shall offer technical optical dispensing services to the public unless a duly licensed dispensing optician is physically present.

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3. True/False 0480-01-.17(1)

Each person registered with the Division and licensed by the Board who has had a change of address shall file in writing with the Board his new home address and/or mailing address within 45 days after such change has occurred and must reference the individual's name, profession and license number.

4. True/False 0480-01-.15(4)(c)

There are two types of civil penalties A & B with differing amounts. The minimum assessment under these penalties is not less than \$100 and not more than \$250.

5. True/False 0480-01-.02(3)

Dispensing Opticians may fit contact lenses only in the presence of and under the direct supervision of a licensed Optometrist or Ophthalmologist.

6. True/False 0480-01-.01(9)

Direct Supervision is defined as:

The requirement that a supervising licensed Dispensing Optician, Optometrist, or Ophthalmologist direct, coordinate, review, inspect, and approve acts or services performed by an Apprentice who is training to prepare, fit and dispense ophthalmic materials.

7. True/False 0480-01-.14(6)

The Apprenticeship Registration does not permit or empower the apprentice to practice as a Dispensing Optician during the absence of the sponsoring/designated licensed supervisor under whose supervision he or she is registered.

8. True/False 0480-01-.16(4)(a)

All licensed dispensing opticians shall be required to wear an identification badge indicating his/her name, photograph and Tennessee license number.

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9. True/False 0480-01-.18(1)

Upon request from a client or the client's authorized representative, licensees shall provide a complete copy of the client's records or summary of such records which were maintained by the licensee.

10. True/False 0480-01-.02(2)

Nothing contained in these rules shall be construed to permit persons licensed under T.C.A. § § 63-14-101 through 63-14-121 to examine or exercise eyes, nor to diagnose, treat, or prescribe for any human injury, disease, or ailment.

11. True/False 0480-01-.14(5)(b)

The Apprentice shall function under the supervision of a licensed supervisor who must be working in the same premises where the apprenticeship training is conducted and must be present at all times (T.C.A. § 63-14-103).

12. True/False 0480-01-.14(5)(a)(1)

A Sponsoring Supervisor may provide Sponsoring Supervision for no more than two (2) Apprentices concurrently.

13. True/False 0480-01-.12(4)(a)

Any licensee who falsely certifies attendance and completion of the required hours of continuing education requirements, or who does not or can not adequately substantiate completed continuing education hours with the required documentation, may be subject to disciplinary action.

14. True/False 0480-01-.12(1)(a)

Each person licensed by the Board is required to complete nine (9) hours of continuing education during each calendar year which shall include: four (4) hours in spectacles, two (2) hours in contact lenses, one (1) hour in jurisprudence and two (2) hours in optional courses.

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15. True/False 0480-01-.05(2)

It is the Board's responsibility to provide evidence that an applicant has fulfilled the educational requirements by providing proof of graduation from high school or by providing proof of possession of a general equivalency diploma (G.E.D).

16. True/False 0480-01-.09(2)(a)

Reinstatement of an expired license may be accomplished by completing twelve (12) hours of community service.

17. True/False 0480-01-.03(2)

The practice of a Dispensing Optician is one of the healing arts, and as such the practice is restricted to those persons credentialed by the Board. Persons engaging in the practice of dispensing opticianry without being licensed or expressly exempted by the laws are in violation of division law, T.C.A. § 63-1-123.

18. True/False 0480-01-.19(9)

The Board authorizes the member who chaired the Board for a contested case to be the agency member to make decisions authorized pursuant to Rule 1360-04-01-.18 regarding petitions for reconsiderations and stays in that case.

19. True/False 0480-01-.14(5)(a)2

If a Supervisor, at the Supervisor's discretion, is providing temporary Direct Supervision for more than four (4) Apprentices concurrently, no more than four (4) of the Apprentices under that Supervisor's Direct Supervision shall receive credit for those hours.

20. True/False 0480-01-.12(3)(a)

The annual requirements for Continuing Education may be completed using only Multimedia formats.

21. True/False 0480-01-.13(1)(a)

The code of ethics governing the conduct of licensed dispensing opticians in the practice of opticianry includes a requirement that a Licensed Dispensing Optician must do the following:

Keep the visual welfare of the consumer upper-most at all times.

22. True/False 0480-01-.12(1)(b)

Each licensee must retain proof of attendance and completion of all continuing education requirements. This documentation must be retained for a period of one (1) year from the end of the calendar year in which the continuing education was required.

23. True/False 0480-01-.14(1)(d)

The apprenticeship applicant shall cause to be submitted to the Board administrative office from the vendor identified in the Board's application materials, the result of a criminal background check. Pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-1-130, a person who applies for the apprenticeship training program who has a criminal conviction that directly relates to the occupation of an Apprentice or a Dispensing Optician may be denied. An applicant may be required to appear before the Board to provide details of the conviction prior to the Board granting approval into the apprenticeship program.

24. True/False 0480-01-.04(1)&(2)

To qualify for licensure, an applicant and licensee must:

Be a United States Citizen.

Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age.

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25. True/False

0480-01-.14(6)(a)(2)&(3)

Apprentice training for spectacle dispensing must include, but is not limited to the following subjects:

Anatomy of the eye

Physiology of the eye

COMPLETED EXAMS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS VIA ONE OF THE FOLLOWING METHODS:

By Mail: TN Board of Dispensing Opticians
665 Mainstream Drive
Nashville, TN 37243

By Email (*all pages must be scanned, legible, full-size, and visible from edge to edge*):

Unit3HRB.Health@tn.gov

Please allow 30 days for processing of scores. You will receive one email notice from the Board Administrative Office with notice of passing the exam. A notice of passing should be retained with your continuing education records. If you do not pass, you will receive one email notice with exam re-take instructions, as applicable based on date of receipt.

If you have not received a score notice via email thirty (30) days after submitting your exam, please contact the Board of Dispensing Opticians by email at Unit3HRB.Health@tn.gov or by phone at 615-532-5090.