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**TITLE 898 INDIANA ATHLETIC TRAINERS BOARD****Proposed Rule**  
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## DIGEST

Amends [898 IAC 1-1-1.5](#), [898 IAC 1-1-4](#), and [898 IAC 1-1-9](#) to revise the definitions applicable to athletic trainers. Adds [898 IAC 1-1-3.2](#) and [898 IAC 1-1-3.3](#) to define "BOC" and "CAATE". Amends [898 IAC 1-2-1](#), [898 IAC 1-2-2](#), and [898 IAC 1-2-6](#) to revise the educational and licensure requirements for athletic trainers. Amends [898 IAC 1-4-1](#) to clarify the requirements for supervision by athletic trainers. Amends [898 IAC 1-6-1](#) to revise the continuing education requirements to bring the requirements into conformity definition applicable to athletic trainers. Repeals [898 IAC 1-1-3.1](#), [898 IAC 1-1-7](#), and [898 IAC 1-2-7](#). Effective 30 days after filing with the Publisher.

[IC 4-22-2.1-5 Statement Concerning Rules Affecting Small Businesses](#)

[898 IAC 1-1-1.5](#); [898 IAC 1-1-3.1](#); [898 IAC 1-1-3.2](#); [898 IAC 1-1-3.3](#); [898 IAC 1-1-4](#); [898 IAC 1-1-7](#); [898 IAC 1-1-9](#); [898 IAC 1-2-1](#); [898 IAC 1-2-2](#); [898 IAC 1-2-6](#); [898 IAC 1-2-7](#); [898 IAC 1-4-1](#); [898 IAC 1-6-1](#)

SECTION 1. [898 IAC 1-1-1.5](#) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

**ARTICLE 1. ATHLETIC TRAINERS; LICENSURE****[98 IAC 1-1-1.5](#) "Affiliated setting" defined**

Authority: [IC 25-5.1-2-6](#)

Affected: [IC 25-5.1](#)

Sec. 1.5. "Affiliated setting" means a clinical setting that is an extension of the traditional athletic training program and thus is subject to established ~~CAAHEP~~ **CAATE** essentials and guidelines. Examples of affiliated clinical settings include, but are not limited to, athletic training rooms and athletic practices and games in secondary schools, colleges and universities, or professional sports organizations outside of the sponsoring institution.

(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; [898 IAC 1-1-1.5](#); filed Aug 29, 2001, 9:55 a.m.: 25 IR 105)

SECTION 2. [898 IAC 1-1-3.2](#) IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

**[898 IAC 1-1-3.2](#) "BOC" defined**

Authority: [IC 25-5.1-2-6](#)

Affected: [IC 25-5.1](#)

**Sec. 3.2. "BOC" means the Board of Certification, Inc.**

(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; [898 IAC 1-1-3.2](#))

SECTION 3. [898 IAC 1-1-3.3](#) IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

**[898 IAC 1-1-3.3](#) "CAATE" defined**

Authority: [IC 25-5.1-2-6](#)

Affected: [IC 25-5.1](#)

**Sec. 3.3. "CAATE" means the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education.**

(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; [898 IAC 1-1-3.3](#))

SECTION 4. [898 IAC 1-1-4](#) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

**[898 IAC 1-1-4](#) "Curriculum candidate" defined**

**Authority:** [IC 25-5.1-2-6](#)

**Affected:** [IC 25-5.1](#)

Sec. 4. "Curriculum candidate" means a person who has completed a ~~CAAHEP~~ **CAATE** accredited athletic training education program.

*(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; [898 IAC 1-1-4](#); filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1287; readopted filed Jun 5, 2001, 2:35 p.m.: 24 IR 3238; errata filed Aug 10, 2001, 8:50 a.m.: 24 IR 3991)*

SECTION 5. [898 IAC 1-1-9](#) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

**[898 IAC 1-1-9](#) "Supervision" defined**

**Authority:** [IC 25-5.1-2-6](#)

**Affected:** [IC 25-1-9](#); [IC 25-5.1](#)

Sec. 9. "Supervision" means daily personal verbal contact at the site of supervision between the athletic training student and the supervising athletic trainer who is certified by ~~NATABOC~~ **BOC** and who:

- (1) plans;
- (2) directs;
- (3) advises; and
- (4) evaluates;

the student's athletic training experience.

*(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; [898 IAC 1-1-9](#); filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1287; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

SECTION 6. [898 IAC 1-2-1](#) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

**[898 IAC 1-2-1](#) Application procedures**

**Authority:** [IC 25-5.1-2-6](#)

**Affected:** [IC 25-5.1](#)

Sec. 1. (a) An applicant for licensure as an athletic trainer shall **do the following:**

- (1) Make application therefor in writing on forms provided by the board. ~~and shall~~
- (2) Furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the qualifying requirements have been met as provided for in [IC 25-5.1](#).

(b) Applicants for licensure as an athletic trainer must:

- (1) pass the ~~NATABOC~~ **BOC** examination; and
- (2) hold current ~~NATABOC~~ **BOC** certification.

*(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; [898 IAC 1-2-1](#); filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1287; filed Jul 25, 1995, 12:00 p.m.: 18 IR 3398; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2530; readopted filed Jun 5, 2001, 2:35 p.m.: 24 IR 3238)*

SECTION 7. [898 IAC 1-2-2](#) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

**[898 IAC 1-2-2](#) Education and training**

**Authority:** [IC 25-5.1-2-6](#)

**Affected:** [IC 25-5.1-3-1](#)

Sec. 2. (a) All applicants for licensure under [IC 25-5.1-3-1](#) must have completed clinical experience in accordance with this section.

(b) An applicant who has completed a **CAAHEP CAATE** accredited athletic training program must have completed ~~at least eight hundred (800) hours of~~ **the required** clinical athletic training experience under the supervision of a **NATABOC BOC** certified athletic trainer. The athletic training experiences obtained must be in athletic training settings associated with the **CAAHEP CAATE** accredited curriculum. ~~An applicant who is applying for licensure as a curriculum candidate from an accredited undergraduate program must receive his or her bachelor's degree from that college or university.~~

~~(c) An applicant who has completed an internship in order to fulfill the requirements for licensure must have completed at least one thousand five hundred (1,500) hours of athletic training experience under the supervision of a NATABOC certified athletic trainer. These hours must be obtained in no less than two (2) calendar years and not more than five (5) years. Of these one thousand five hundred (1,500) hours, at least one thousand (1,000) hours must be attained in a traditional athletic training setting at the interscholastic, intercollegiate, or professional sports level. The additional five hundred (500) hours may be attained in an allied and/or affiliated setting under the supervision of a NATABOC certified athletic trainer.~~

~~(d) At least twenty-five percent (25%) of the required athletic training experience hours must be obtained in actual (on location) practice or game coverage with one (1) or more of the following high risk sports:~~

- ~~(1) Football.~~
- ~~(2) Soccer.~~
- ~~(3) Hockey.~~
- ~~(4) Wrestling.~~
- ~~(5) Basketball.~~
- ~~(6) Gymnastics.~~
- ~~(7) Lacrosse.~~
- ~~(8) Volleyball.~~
- ~~(9) Rugby.~~

~~(e) (c) If an applicant for licensure proposes to satisfy more than one (1) of the course requirements of [IC 25-5.1-3-1](#)(b) with one (1) combined course, the course must be credited for at least three (3) semester hours or four and one-half (4.5) quarter hours on an official transcript. In addition, if the course is completed in one (1) semester or one (1) quarter, it must be credited for ~~no~~ **not** less than five (5) semester hours or seven and one-half (7.5) quarter hours on an official transcript.~~

*(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; [898 IAC 1-2-2](#); filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1287; filed Jul 25, 1995, 12:00 p.m.: 18 IR 3398; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2530; readopted filed Jun 5, 2001, 2:35 p.m.: 24 IR 3238)*

SECTION 8. [898 IAC 1-2-6](#) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

### **[898 IAC 1-2-6](#) Temporary permits**

**Authority:** [IC 25-5.1-2-6](#)

**Affected:** [IC 25-5.1-3-8](#)

Sec. 6. (a) As used in [IC 25-5.1-3-8](#)(c)(2), "the date the board disapproves the person's license application" means the date the applicant for licensure receives notice from the board of:

- (1) failure of the required examination; or
- (2) denial of the individual's license application.

(b) As used in [IC 25-5.1-3-8](#)(a)(2), "national athletic training association approved by the board" means the ~~National Athletic Trainer's Association Board of Certification.~~ **BOC.**

*(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; [898 IAC 1-2-6](#); filed Dec 18, 2001, 9:04 a.m.: 25 IR 1643)*

SECTION 9. [898 IAC 1-4-1](#) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

**898 IAC 1-4-1 Supervision by athletic trainers**

**Authority:** [IC 25-5.1-2-6](#)

**Affected:** [IC 25-1-9](#); [IC 25-5.1-3-7](#)

Sec. 1. (a) A supervising athletic trainer may make arrangements for another athletic trainer who is certified by ~~NATABOC~~ **BOC** to supervise the athletic training student when the supervising athletic trainer cannot be present at the site of supervision.

(b) An athletic trainer who is supervising an athletic training student's educational experiences shall afford supervision adequate to assure (following stated written and verbal direction) that the student performs his or her tasks in a manner consistent with [IC 25-1-9](#), [IC 25-5.1](#), and this title. An athletic trainer who is supervising an athletic training student must be recognized as an athletic trainer at the setting where the athletic training student is attaining athletic training experience hours. The supervising athletic trainer must maintain a record of each student's experiential hours.

**(c) A licensed athletic trainer must supervise a collegiate noncurriculum student athletic trainer or a high school student athletic trainer, as defined in [IC 25-5.1-3-7\(6\)](#), who may assist with:**

- (1) first aid;**
  - (2) cryotherapy and hydrotherapy treatments; and**
  - (3) bandaging, wrapping, and taping techniques;**
- as well as assist with other duties or tasks as directed.**

**(d) A licensed athletic trainer:**

- (1) must supervise a collegiate noncurriculum student athletic trainer or a high school student athletic trainer, as defined in [IC 25-5.1-3-7\(6\)](#); and**
- (2) shall prohibit the collegiate noncurriculum student athletic trainer or a high school student athletic trainer from independently operating electrical modalities, performing injury assessments, making return to play decisions, or any other duties or training that fall under the sole discretion of the licensed athletic trainer.**

~~(e)~~ **(e) An athletic trainer may not supervise the following:**

- (1) His or her employer or other individuals who can alter the athletic trainer's employment status.**
- ~~(d)~~ **An athletic trainer may not supervise (2) His or her relative, spouse, or domestic partner.**

*(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; [898 IAC 1-4-1](#); filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1289; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

SECTION 10. [898 IAC 1-6-1](#) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

**898 IAC 1-6-1 Continuing education**

**Authority:** [IC 25-5.1-2-6](#)

**Affected:** [IC 25-5.1](#)

Sec. 1. (a) A holder of a license issued under [IC 25-5.1](#) shall be required to complete fifty (50) units of ~~NATABOC~~ **BOC** approved continuing education for each biennial renewal period. One (1) unit of continuing education is equal to one (1) clock hour.

(b) If the license holder has been licensed for less than one (1) full year at the time of their first renewal, they shall be required to complete twenty-five (25) units of ~~NATABOC~~ **BOC** approved continuing education. If the license holder has been licensed for less than six (6) months at the time of their first renewal, they shall not be required to complete the continuing education requirement.

(c) Continuing education:

- (1) must be obtained within the biennial renewal period in which the licensee is applying for; and
- (2) may not be carried over from one (1) biennial renewal period to another.

(d) The licensee must retain a record of the continuing education required by this rule for four (4) years following the end of the biennial renewal period in which it was obtained.

(e) The board may require additional evidence demonstrating the license holder's compliance with the continuing education requirements of this rule. This additional evidence shall be required in the context of a random audit. It is the responsibility of the license holder to **do the following**:

- (1) Verify that the continuing education obtained to meet the continuing education required for the renewal of his or her license has been approved by ~~NATABOC. It is the responsibility of the license holder to~~ **BOC**.
- (2) Retain or otherwise produce evidence of compliance.

*(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; [898 IAC 1-6-1](#); filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2532; filed Jun 5, 2001, 2:30 p.m.: 24 IR 3069)*

SECTION 11. THE FOLLOWING ARE REPEALED: [898 IAC 1-1-3.1](#); [898 IAC 1-1-7](#); [898 IAC 1-2-7](#).

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