TITLE 898 INDIANA ATHLETIC TRAINERS BOARD

NOTE: Under P.L.84-1998, SECTION 9, effective July 1, 1998, the name of the Indiana Athletic Trainers Certification Board is changed to Indiana Athletic Trainers Board.

ARTICLE 1. ATHLETIC TRAINERS; CERTIFICATION

Rule 1. Definitions

898 IAC 1-1-1 Applicability
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 1. The definitions in this rule apply throughout this article. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-1; filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1286; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 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 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)*

898 IAC 1-1-2 "Allied setting" defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 2. "Allied setting" means an athletic training setting, other than a traditional setting, which provides athletic training services. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-2; filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1286; filed Jul 25, 1995, 12:00 p.m.: 18 IR 3397; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-1-2.4 "A.T.C./L." defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-1-9; IC 25-5.1

Sec. 2.4. "A.T.C./L." means an athletic trainer certified/licensed under this article. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-2.4; filed Mar 19, 1999, 12:12 p.m.: 22 IR 2533)*

898 IAC 1-1-2.5 "Athletic training room" defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 2.5. "Athletic training room" means a designated physical facility located within an institution or in an acceptable affiliated setting in which comprehensive athletic health care services are provided. The athletic training room must provide at a minimum the following equipment:
(1) Taping table(s).
(2) Treatment table(s).
(3) Heat-cold therapy, for example, ice, hydrocollator, and whirlpool.
(4) Emergency equipment, for example, splints, crutches, and stretchers.
(5) First aid supplies.

(6) Therapeutic exercise equipment, for example, hand-leg weights and surgical tubing.
(7) A record keeping system, for example, a file cabinet and injury record forms.
(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-2.5; filed Jul 25, 1995, 12:00 p.m.: 18 IR 3398; readopted filed Aug 29, 2001, 9:52 a.m.: 25 IR 204)

898 IAC 1-1-3 "Board" defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1-2-1

Sec. 3. "Board" means the Indiana athletic trainers board as established by IC 25-5.1-2-1. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-3; filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1286; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2530; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-1-3.1 "CAAHEP" defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 3.1. "CAAHEP" means the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-3.1; filed Jul 25, 1995, 12:00 p.m.: 18 IR 3398; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-1-3.5 "Comprehensive athletic health care services" defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 3.5. "Comprehensive athletic health care services" means:
(1) pre-practice and pre-game preparation (taping, bandaging, and application of protective padding);
(2) injury-illness evaluation;
(3) first aid and emergency care;
(4) follow-up care; and
(5) related services.
(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-3.5; filed Jul 25, 1995, 12:00 p.m.: 18 IR 3398; readopted filed Aug 29, 2001, 9:52 a.m.: 25 IR 204)

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 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)*

898 IAC 1-1-4.5 "L.A.T." defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-1-9; IC 25-5.1

Sec. 4.5. "L.A.T." means a licensed athletic trainer licensed under this article. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-4.5; filed Mar 19, 1999, 12:12 p.m.: 22 IR 2533)*

898 IAC 1-1-5 "Health care facility" defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 5. "Health care facility" means the office of a physician, a hospital, or a clinic. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-5; filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1287; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-1-6 "NATA" defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 6. "NATA" means the National Athletic Trainers Association, Inc. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-6; filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1287; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-1-7 "NATABOC" defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 7. "NATABOC" means the National Athletic Trainers' Association Board of Certification, Inc. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-7; filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1287; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-1-8 "Resident" defined (Repealed)

Sec. 8. *(Repealed by Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; filed Jun 5, 2001, 2:30 p.m.: 24 IR 3069)*

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 and who plans, directs, advises, and 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)*

898 IAC 1-1-10 "Traditional athletic training setting" defined
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 10. "Traditional athletic training setting" means an athletic training room that serves as the physical setting in which the minimum hours of direct supervision are accumulated for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements for licensure. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-1-10; filed Jul 25, 1995, 12:00 p.m.: 18 IR 3398; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2530)*

Rule 2. Licensure

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 make application therefor in writing on forms provided by the board and shall 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 pass the NATABOC examination and hold current NATABOC 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)*

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 accredited athletic training program must have completed at least eight hundred (800) hours of clinical athletic training experience under the supervision of a NATABOC certified athletic trainer. The athletic training experiences obtained must be in athletic training settings associated with the CAAHEP 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) 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 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)*

898 IAC 1-2-3 Certification under noncode provision (Repealed)

Sec. 3. *(Repealed by Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; filed Sep 18, 1996, 2:00 p.m.: 20 IR 325; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2533; errata, 22 IR 2884)*

898 IAC 1-2-4 License renewal

Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 4. (a) A license to practice as an athletic trainer will expire on December 31 of even-numbered years beginning in 1996.

(b) Applicants for renewal of license shall pay a renewal fee.

(c) Applications for renewal will be mailed to the last known address of the practitioner. Failure to receive the application for renewal shall not relieve the practitioner of the responsibility for renewing the license by the renewal date. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-2-4; filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1288; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2530; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-2-5 Abandoned application

Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-1-9; IC 25-5.1

Sec. 5. An application shall be deemed abandoned by the board if, after one (1) year from the date of filing, the requirements for licensure have not been completed and submitted to the board. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-2-5; filed Dec 6, 1994, 2:07 p.m.: 18 IR 1288; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2531; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

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

898 IAC 1-2-7 Exemption from examination

Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1; P.L.173-2001, SECTION 5

Sec. 7. (a) As used in P.L.173-2001, SECTION 5(b)(1), "actively engaged as an athletic trainer" means practicing athletic training at least ten (10) hours a week over the period of twelve (12) months.

(b) As used in P.L.173-2001, SECTION 5(b)(4)(B), "NATA" means the National Athletic Trainers Association Board of Certification or NATABOC.

(c) As used in P.L.173-2001, SECTION 5(b)(4)(B), "has been certified by the NATA" means the applicant's certification with NATABOC is current and in good standing.

(d) As used in P.L.173-2001, SECTION 5(c), "must be made" means all application materials, including all supporting documentation, must have been received by the health professions bureau. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-2-7; filed Dec 18, 2001, 9:04 a.m.: 25 IR 1643)*

Rule 3. Fees

898 IAC 1-3-1 Fees

Authority: IC 25-1-8-2; IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-5.1

Sec. 1. (a) Candidates for examination shall purchase the examination directly from the examination service.

(b) The application/issuance fee for a license to practice as an athletic trainer is fifty-five dollars ($55).

(c) The fee for verification of a license to another state or jurisdiction is ten dollars ($10).

(d) The fee for a duplicate wall certificate is ten dollars ($10).

(e) The fee for a temporary permit is twenty-five dollars ($25).

(f) The fee for renewal of the license to practice is fifty dollars ($50) biennially.

(g) The fees are subject to change in accordance with the health professions bureau fee schedule.

(h) All application fees are nonrefundable. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-3-1; filed Dec 6, 1994, 10:40 a.m.: 18 IR 1289; filed Jun 6, 1996, 9:00 a.m.: 19 IR 3112; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2531; readopted filed Dec 2, 2001, 12:35 p.m.: 25 IR 1347)*

Rule 4. Supervision

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

Sec. 1. (a) A supervising athletic trainer may make arrangements for another athletic trainer who is certified by NATABOC 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) An athletic trainer may not supervise his or her employer or other individuals who can alter the athletic trainer's employment status.

(d) An athletic trainer may not supervise 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)*

Rule 5. Standards for the Competent Practice of Athletic Training

898 IAC 1-5-1 Regulatory compliance

Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-1-9; IC 25-5.1

Sec. 1. (a) A licensed athletic trainer must be familiar with and adhere to all rules and standards for the competent practice of athletic training as established by the board.

(b) A licensed athletic trainer must educate those whom they supervise in the practice of athletic training with regard to the standards of competent practice of athletic training and encourage their adherence to the standards.

(c) A licensed athletic trainer must not present false information to the board on any application or other document or in any investigation or proceeding pending before the board.

(d) A licensed athletic trainer must develop a plan for care for each athlete/patient and shall be responsible for the plan implementation and modification. The licensed athletic trainer shall consult with the referring practitioner regarding any contraindicated or unjustified treatment.

(e) A licensed athletic trainer must take reasonable action to inform the supervising medical doctor, osteopath, podiatrist, or chiropractor in cases where an athlete's physical status indicates a change in medical status.

(f) A licensed athletic trainer must provide athletic training services without discrimination based upon race, creed, sex, religion, national origin, age, athletic ability, disease entity, social status, handicap, or financial status.

(g) A licensed athletic trainer must preserve the confidentialities of privileged information to a third party not involved in the athlete's/patient's care unless the athlete/patient consents to such release or release is permitted or required by law. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-5-1; filed Mar 16, 1998, 3:30 p.m.: 21 IR 2987; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2531; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-5-2 Professionalism
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-1-9; IC 25-5.1

Sec. 2. (a) A licensed athletic trainer must not misrepresent any qualifications or credentials.

(b) A licensed athletic trainer must maintain knowledge and skills required for continuing professional competence.

(c) A licensed athletic trainer must exercise reasonable care and diligence in the treatment of athletes/patients based upon generally accepted scientific principles, methods, and treatments and current professional theory and practice.

(d) A licensed athletic trainer must be responsible for the conduct of student athletic trainers supervised by the licensed athletic trainer for every action or failure to act by the student athletic trainer in the course of the supervisory relationship.

(e) A licensed athletic trainer must not make any false or misleading claims about the efficacy of any athletic training care.

(f) A licensed athletic trainer who has personal knowledge based upon a reasonable belief that another licensed athletic trainer has engaged in illegal, unlawful, incompetent, or fraudulent conduct in the practice of athletic training shall promptly report such conduct to the consumer protection division of the office of the attorney general. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-5-2; filed Mar 16, 1998, 3:30 p.m.: 21 IR 2987; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2531; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-5-3 Financial gain
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-1-9; IC 25-5.1

Sec. 3. (a) A licensed athletic trainer may seek remuneration for his or her services that is commensurate with the services and is in compliance with applicable law.

(b) A licensed athletic trainer must not place financial gain above the welfare of the athlete/patient being treated and shall not participate in any arrangement that exploits the athlete/patient.

(c) A licensed athletic trainer must not promote or endorse products in a manner that is false or misleading.

(d) A licensed athletic trainer must disclose to an athlete/patient any interest in commercial enterprises that the licensed athletic trainer promotes to athletes for the purpose of personal gain or profit.

(e) A licensed athletic trainer must not provide services, make referrals, or seek compensation for services that are not necessary.

(f) A licensed athletic trainer must not receive or give a commission or rebate or any other form of remuneration for the referral of athletes/patients for professional services. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-5-3; filed Mar 16, 1998, 3:30 p.m.: 21 IR 2988; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2532; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-5-4 Sportsmanship
Authority: IC 25-5.1-2-6
Affected: IC 25-1-9; IC 25-5.1

Sec. 4. (a) A licensed athletic trainer must support, encourage, and condone good sportsmanship.

(b) A licensed athletic trainer must not influence or attempt to influence the outcome or score of an athletic event.

(c) A licensed athletic trainer must not wager on any athletic event that may detrimentally affect the licensed athletic trainer's ability to practice competently as determined by the board. *(Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; 898 IAC 1-5-4; filed Mar 16, 1998, 3:30 p.m.: 21 IR 2988; filed Mar 25, 1999, 4:28 p.m.: 22 IR 2532; readopted filed Apr 18, 2001, 3:35 p.m.: 24 IR 2897)*

898 IAC 1-5-5 Practice of athletic training (Repealed)

Sec. 5. *(Repealed by Indiana Athletic Trainers Board; filed Aug 29, 2001, 9:55 a.m.: 25 IR 105)*

Rule 6. Continuing Education

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 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 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 must be obtained within the biennial renewal period in which the licensee is applying for and 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 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 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)*

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