

STATE BOARD OF ORTHOTICS, PROSTHETICS AND PEDORTHICS
OPPCE REMINDER
LICENSEES WITH FIRST ISSUE DATES IN: 2001 2004 2007 AND 2010

The upcoming license renewal (licenses expiring January 31, 2014) generally marks the OPPCE accrual reporting cycle for renewing licensees with first issue dates as noted above. In accordance with [Ohio Revised Code §4779.20](#):

- CE units must first be reported to the Board at the time of a licensee's 4th license renewal, **and subsequently at every 3rd license renewal thereafter.**
- CE units **must be accrued during the 3-year period prior to the renewal due date (i.e., January 1, 2011 - December 31, 2013)**

[ORC § 4779.20 - Renewal](#) provides as follows regarding the **number of units/points** that are required for reporting:

- licensed as an orthotist **or** prosthetist: 45 CE units
- licensed as a pedorthist: 33 CE units
- licensed as a prosthetist **and** orthotist: 75 CE units

Question: How do I know if I need to attest to CE accrual during the upcoming license renewal registration?

*Answer: You may have noticed that you have a new number "tagged" onto your regular license number. For those receiving this notice, the data tag is displayed as a "-1" after the other digits in your license number. Although there may be an exception or two, generally this enumeration was applied for licenses **first issued in 2001, 2004, 2007 or 2010.***

Question: How do I know when my license was first issued?

*Answer: Click on "license verification" link in the left-hand navigation pane at <http://opp.ohio.gov>, **fill in last name only on the search page**, then click through to the full verification information – the final page displays credential information, name, business contact information **and date of first issuance.***

Question: Will the Board office respond to individual requests to check my cycle?

Answer: Yes, but on a limited basis. Given our limitations in staff size and time, we would request that you perform your own research first as suggested above. However, if you need further guidance, send a request by fax or [email](#) – telephone requests should be avoided, please. Make sure your fax or email request clearly states your name and license number(s). We will try to respond within 24 hours of receipt of any such request, but please allow up to three business days.

Question: Where can I get more information about Ohio CE (OPPCE) requirements?

Answer: Basic information is posted to the <http://opp.ohio.gov> website under Continuing Education.

Question: How do I provide documentation of OPPCE accrual during renewal?

Answer: The renewal process only requires or allows you to attest to your OPPCE accrual details as a part of the renewal Q&A survey. The Board conducts an audit by mail of CE-reporting renewers to verify the details after the renewal period has ended.