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**OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION (General)**

Maine Administrative Procedure Act

2025-2026 Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER**: 02-041**

AGENCY NAME: Department of Professional & Financial Regulation, **Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation (OPOR) -** General Rules

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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:** None

**EXPECTED 2025-2026 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:**

A review for conformance with statutes and current rules will be conducted and updated as may be necessary.

**CHAPTER 10**: Establishment of License Fees

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 10 M.R.S. §8003(2-A)(D)

PURPOSE: Establishment of license and related fees for OPOR programs. OPOR amends license fee amounts contained in this rule, as needed.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Variable.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees, continuing education course providers

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 11**: Late Renewals

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 10 M.R.S. §8003(2-A)(E)

PURPOSE: Amendment of rule, as necessary, in light of experience.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Variable.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 13**: Uniform Procedures for Substantiating Continuing Education Requirements

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 10 M.R.S. §8003(2-A)(E)

PURPOSE: Amendment of rule, as necessary, in light of experience.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Variable.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees, board staff, board members.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER XX**: Uniform Complaint Procedures

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 10 M.R.S. §8003(2-A)(E)

PURPOSE: Establishment of a uniform complaint procedure for all the OPOR programs.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Variable.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Complainant, licensees, board staff, board members.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER XX**: Uniform Policy on Protested Checks

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 10 M.R.S. §8003(2-A)(E)

PURPOSE: Establishment of a uniform policy for all OPOR programs regarding bounced checks.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Variable.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees whose license checks are returned unpaid for insufficient funds or other reasons, OPOR and board staff.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER XX**: No specific title – see description of purpose below

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 10 M.R.S. §8003(2-A)(E)

PURPOSE: “To establish by rule, such processes and procedures necessary to administer the various boards, commissions and regulatory functions of the office…”

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Variable.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER XX**: No specific title – see description of purpose below

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 10 M.R.S. §8003(2-A)(O)

PURPOSE: Facilitate Licensure for Credentialed Individuals from Other Jurisdictions

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Variable.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.