

TITLE 43. PROFESSIONS AND BUSINESSES
CHAPTER 24. LIBRARIANS

43-24-1. Definitions

As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) "Board" means the State Board for the Certification of Librarians.

(2) "Librarian" means a person with specialized training as identified in this chapter and in the administrative rules and regulations applicable to this chapter and possessing the necessary training and qualifications to plan, organize, communicate, and administer successfully the use of the library's materials and services.

(3) "Library" means an organization providing services and informational materials in a variety of formatting, including, but not limited to, books, films, tapes, microforms, and periodicals and having no fewer than 3,000 items which have been selected, acquired, and organized for dissemination.

HISTORY: Ga. L. 1982, p. 1493, §§ 2, 5.

43-24-2. Creation of board; members

(a) The State Board for the Certification of Librarians is created, to consist of six persons as follows:

(1) Three librarians certified under this chapter, including one public librarian, one special librarian, and one other currently practicing librarian, and one person who shall be a trustee of a public library;

(2) A member to be appointed from the public at large who shall have no connection whatsoever with the library profession; and

(3) The director of public library services of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.

(b) The members referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be appointed by the Governor and shall be confirmed by the Senate.

(c) The terms of the five members appointed pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be five years. The term of the director of public library services of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia shall be coextensive with the term of office of this position.

(d) Members of the board shall be reimbursed as provided for in subsection (f) of Code Section 43-1-2.

43-24-7. Continuing education requirements

(a) The board shall be authorized to require persons holding a certificate under this chapter to complete board approved continuing education of not less than ten hours biennially as a condition of certificate renewal. The board shall be authorized to approve programs offered by professional associations, educational institutions, government agencies, and bibliographic utilities, and others as it deems appropriate.

(b) The board shall be authorized to waive the continuing education requirement in cases of hardship, disability, or illness or under such other circumstances as the board deems appropriate.

(c) The board shall be authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to implement and ensure compliance with the requirements of this Code section.

(d) The board shall have the authority to appoint a committee or committees composed of certified librarians, as it deems appropriate, to administer, implement, and otherwise carry out the provisions of this chapter relating to continuing education. (Code 1981, § 43-24-7, enacted by Ga. L. 2001, p. 864, § 1.)

HISTORY: Code 1981, § 43-24-7, enacted by Ga. L. 2001, p. 864, § 1.

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