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**NOTICE OF FINAL FILING AND ADOPTION OF A LEGISLATIVE RULE AUTHORIZED
BY THE WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

AGENCY: Barbers And Cosmetologists TITLE-SERIES: 3-14
RULE TYPE: Legislative Amendment to Existing Rule: Yes Repeal of existing rule: No
RULE NAME: WAXING SPECIALIST
CITE STATUTORY AUTHORITY: W. Va. Code § 30-27-8b; W. Va. Code § 30-27-6;

The above rule has been authorized by the West Virginia Legislature.

Authorization is cited in (house or senate bill number) 4265

Section HB Passed On 3/14/2026 12:00:00 AM

This rule is filed with the Secretary of State. This rule becomes effective on the following date:

April 27, 2026

This rule shall terminate and have no further force or effect from the following date:

August 01, 2036

BY CHOOSING 'YES', I ATTEST THAT THE PREVIOUS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Yes

Danielle J Cordle -- By my signature, I certify that I am the person authorized to file legislative rules, in accordance with West Virginia Code §29A-3-11 and §39A-3-2.

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**TITLE 3
LEGISLATIVE RULE
BOARD OF BARBERS AND COSMETOLOGISTS**

**SERIES 14
WAXING SPECIALIST**

§ 3-14-1. General.

- 1.1. Scope. -- This legislative rule establishes the minimum requirements for a waxing specialist.
- 1.2. Authority. -- W. Va. Code § 30-27-8b; W. Va. Code § 30-27-6;
- 1.3. Filing Date. – April 27, 2026.
- 1.4. Effective Date – April 27, 2026.
- 1.5. Sunset Date. – This rule shall terminate and no further force or effect on August 1, 2036.

§ 3-14-2. Definitions.

2.1. “Waxing Specialist” is a certified individual who engages in the practicing of waxing and tweezing of hair on another person’s body.

§ 3-14-3. Qualifications for Waxing Specialist.

- 3.1. Is at least eighteen years of age;
- 3.2. Is in high school or has a high school diploma, a GED, or has passed the “ability to benefit test” approved by the United State Department of Education;
- 3.3. Has paid the applicable fee;
- 3.4. Has a certificate of health from a licensed physician;
- 3.5. Is a citizen of the United States or is eligible for employment in the United States;
- 3.6. Has completed a 100 hour class that consists of: professional requirements, safety and health, skin structure, disorders and diseases, removal of superfluous hair and 25 hours on the clinic floor, supervised, for a total of 125 hours;
- 3.7. Has passed the appropriate examinations (National Written and Practical);
- 3.8. Has submitted an application verifying the requirements within this section; and
- 3.9. Possesses a United States or state government issued photograph identification card and shall exhibit to the board or its authorized representative.

§ 3-14-4. Authorized Services by Waxing Specialist.

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4.1. Waxing specialists shall only perform services within the definition of waxing specialist in this rule.

4.2. It is unlawful for any person to wax or tweeze or offer to wax or tweeze without a license or certification from the Board.

§ 3-14-5. Display of Certificate.

5.1. Every waxing specialist shall display his or her certificate or certificate renewal at the station the individual is currently working and shall exhibit the certificate to the board or its authorized representative.

§ 3-14-6. Renewal.

6.1. Certifications are valid for one (1) year and must be renewed annually on or before January 1st of each year.

§ 3-14-7. Duties of Salon/Shop Owners.

7.1. Shop or salon owners and/or managers are responsible for ensuring that waxing specialists follow all provisions under the jurisdiction of the board.

§ 3-14-8. Revocation of Certificate.

8.1. The certification of a waxing specialist may be revoked or suspended by the Board for any reason specified herein or otherwise set forth in W. Va. Code § 30-27-1 et seq.

§ 3-14-9. Administrative Due Process.

9.1. Those persons adversely affected by the enforcement of this rule have the right to request a hearing in a manner pursuant to the provisions of W. Va. Code § 30-27-1 et seq.