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**From:** Seavers, Dennis  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2020 1:17 PM  
**To:** barber-schools; barber-info  
**Subject:** Renewal deadline delayed until July 31

Dear barbers, barbershops, and barber schools,

Last week, the General Assembly passed and Governor Cooper signed a bill to give state agencies authority to take certain limited actions to assist individuals and businesses affected by the coronavirus pandemic. **This week, based on that legislation, the board filed emergency rules to delay the renewal deadline for licenses (barbershop, registered barber, apprentice barber, barber school, and barber instructor) from May 31 to July 31, 2020.** The board took this action because it recognizes that licensees have been out of work for several weeks, and they may only come back to work just before the May 31 deadline.

There are a few things to keep in mind:

- Any license that would have expired on May 31, 2020 will remain effective through July 31, 2020, even though the license says that the expiration is May 31.
- This is a one-time action for the current period for license renewals. It isn't a permanent change in the renewal date.
- Although the renewal date has been delayed this year, the renewed licenses will still only be effective until May 31, 2021 (next year).
- You will still be able and required (unless you get a waiver) to renew online.
- Any licenses that expired before May 31, 2020 (such as already expired licenses, or apprentice licenses that were ineligible to be renewed because of the three-year limit) would not be extended through July 31. However, you won't incur additional late fees beyond the ones already incurred if you update and renew the licenses by July 31.

I appreciate the licensees who already renewed. Your license will still have the same expiration date as barbers who haven't renewed, so you aren't at any disadvantage because you renewed early.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the board office at [barberboard@nc.gov](mailto:barberboard@nc.gov) or (919) 814-0640.

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