

## Reinstatement of Registration

The **College of Opticians of BC (COBC)** is the regulatory body for the profession of Opticianry in British Columbia. All persons with suspended or cancelled registrations may apply for reinstatement with the COBC in order to reactivate their registration as a Dispensing Optician, Contact Lens Fitter, or Non-Practicing registrant.

### **Reinstatement within three (3) years of the suspension or cancellation date:**

Suspended/cancelled registrants may submit a *Reinstatement of Registration* form to the COBC and apply for reinstatement up to three years to the date of your suspension or cancellation.

The form must be accompanied by the following 4 materials:

- 1) Proof of completion of your Continuing Education requirements, **or** proof of practicing Opticianry in good standing in another jurisdiction, **or** proof of successfully rewriting the Opticianry examination,
- 2) The *Criminal Records Search* form and payment,
- 3) Payment for Reinstatement Fee for each suspended or cancelled year, and
- 4) Payment for the current year's Annual Renewal of Registration Fee.

Upon approval by the Registrar, the suspended or cancelled registrant would be reinstated and his registration would be active for the current year, until the upcoming renewal of registration period.

### **Reinstatement after three (3) years of the suspension or cancellation date:**

Suspended or cancelled registrants who wish to reinstate after three years must submit a written request to the COBC to re-apply for registration. If applicable, they must also submit proof of practicing Opticianry in good standing in another jurisdiction

The Registration Committee will review the written request. The Committee may request additional requirements including an online assessment of competencies prior to reinstatement.

### **Schedule of Reinstatement of Suspended/Cancelled Registrants**

	<b>Suspension Year 1</b>	<b>Suspension Year 2</b>	<b>Suspension Year 3</b>	<b>Suspension Year 4</b>
<b>Submission for Reinstatement Dates</b>	Date of Suspension until March 31	April 1 to March 31	April 1 until 3 Years to the Date of Suspension	April 1 until 4 Years to the Date of Suspension
<b>Reinstatement Fee per year</b> (\$200.00+HST\$24.00=224.00)	1 Fee	2 Fees	3 Fees	\$ 784 (700+ HST 84= 784)
<b>Annual Renewal of Registration Fee</b>	Yes – current year	Yes – current year	Yes – current year	Yes – current year

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