

# State Medical Board of Ohio

## FACTS about Staggered Limited License Renewal

### Why is the renewal cycle changing from a biennial renewal to a staggered renewal?

The number of licensees in the limited branches has grown to such an extent that it is too large for the CME and Renewal staff to renew the entire group at one time. By dividing the limited branch licensees into eight renewal groups and blending those groups into the MD/DO/DPM renewal groups (staggered renewal), the CME and Renewal staff can provide more efficient service to all licensees.

Senate Bill 279, effective January 2009, authorized the Board to implement the staggered renewal system with the limited branches.

### What is “staggered renewal?”

“Staggered renewal” is a method of shifting Ohio limited license expiration dates from a single date of expiration for all licensees to variable expiration dates spread over two years based upon the first letter of the licensee’s last name. The licensee’s renewal group is based upon the first letter of their last name as of record with the Board in April 2004 or upon date of licensure, whichever is later. Each licensee will remain in the originally assigned group for all subsequent license renewals.

In order to implement the shift in renewal expiration dates, each of the eight groups has a different renewal fee because each group is renewing the license for a different period of time. After the first renewal during which the staggered renewal is implemented, all limited branch licensees will renew licenses every two years for the standard fee, based on their new expiration date.

First initial of licensee's last name	License expiration date	Renewal Mailed	Renewal Fee To Implement Staggered Renewal
A-B	7/1/11	May 1, 2009	\$45.00
C-D	4/1/11	May 1, 2009	\$40.00
E-G	1/1/11	May1, 2009	\$35.00
H-K	10/1/10	May 1, 2009	\$30.00
L-M	7/1/12	May 1, 2009	\$70.00
N-R	4/1/12	May 1, 2009	\$65.00
S	1/1/12	May 1, 2009	\$60.00
T-Z	10/1/11	May 1, 2009	\$50.00