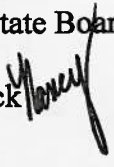




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TO: Members of the State Board of Education
FROM: Nancy S. Grasmick 
DATE: June 21, 2011
SUBJECT: COMAR 13A.03.02 Graduation Requirements
Environmental Literacy
ADOPTION

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this action is to adopt the revised COMAR 13A.03.02 graduation requirement in Environmental Literacy. The revision will align the regulation with the program requirement in environmental literacy, COMAR 13A.04.17.

BACKGROUND/HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE:

At the February 22, 2011 meeting, the State Board of Education authorized the publication of the revised COMAR 13A.03.02 graduation requirement in Environmental Literacy.

Beginning with students entering high school in 2011-2012, all students must complete a locally designed high school program of environmental literacy as set forth in COMAR 13A.04.17 that is approved by the State Superintendent of Schools.

The revised COMAR for the high school Environmental Literacy graduation requirement was published for public review in the *Maryland Register* between April 8 and May 9, 2011. There were 12 public comments. Ten comments offered support for the language, one comment was against, and one comment was unclear.

ACTION:

The Department recommends the State Board accept COMAR 13A.03.02 graduation requirement in Environmental Literacy.

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Attachment

(2) Except as provided in §§D and E of this regulation, pay to the Department the [following] fee *as set forth in COMAR 10.01.17.02* at the time of application[:

- (a) \$75 for a day camp;
- (b) \$100 for a residential camp;
- (c) \$100 for a travel camp; and
- (d) \$100 for a trip camp]; and
- (3) (text unchanged)

B. For a camp that [is currently certified or] *was issued a certificate or a letter of compliance by the Department in the previous calendar year* and wishes to renew its [certification] *certificate or letter of compliance for another year*, an operator shall:

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) Except as provided in §§D and E of this regulation, pay to the Department the [following] fee *as set forth in COMAR 10.01.17.02* at the time of application[:

- (a) \$75 for a day camp;
- (b) \$100 for a residential camp;
- (c) \$100 for a travel camp; and
- (d) \$100 for a trip camp]; and
- (3) (text unchanged)

C.—E. (text unchanged)

F. An operator of a camp that [is] *was not [currently certified or] issued a certificate or a letter of compliance by the Department in the previous calendar year* shall, at least 60 days before the proposed opening date:

(1)—(3) (text unchanged)

G. An operator of a camp that [is currently certified or] *was issued a certificate or a letter of compliance by the Department in the previous calendar year* shall, at least 30 days before the [start of the first camp session of the season] *proposed opening date*:

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) Except as provided in §E of this regulation, pay the required fee; [and]

(3) *Pay any fee owed in accordance with §H of this regulation; and*

[(3)] (4) (text unchanged)

H. *Payment of Fee Difference Owed.*

(1) *The Department shall:*

(a) *Calculate a fee difference, that is, the difference between the fee paid at the time of application and the fee owed, based on information reported by a camp operator in the annual report for the past calendar year as required by Regulation .06 of this chapter; and*
 (b) *Notify a camp operator of any fee owed to the Department.*

(2) *Within 2 weeks following receipt of the notice from the Department, the camp operator shall pay the fee owed to the Department.*

.14 Denial of a Certificate or Letter of Compliance.

A. The Department may deny an application for a certificate or a letter of compliance, setting forth in writing the reason or reasons for the denial, if the operator:

(1) Fails to:

(a)—(b) (text unchanged)

(c) Correct immediately a violation that the Department has indicated is an imminent and substantial danger to a camper; [or]

(d) Correct an outstanding violation from a previous certification or letter of compliance period;

(e) *File an annual report in accordance with Regulation .06 of this chapter; or*

(f) *Pay a fee owed as set forth in Regulation .08H of this chapter.*

B.—D. (text unchanged)

.27 Camper's Health Record.

An operator shall ensure that each camper has on file at the time of admission to a youth camp a written personal health record that includes:

A.—D. (text unchanged)

E. Documentation of:

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) For a day camper *or a camper attending a 5-day residential camp*, enrollment in a Maryland school; and

F. (text unchanged)

JOSHUA M. SHARFSTEIN, M.D.
 Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene

**Title 13A
 STATE BOARD OF
 EDUCATION**

Subtitle 03 GENERAL

13A.03.02 Graduation Requirements for Public High Schools in Maryland

Authority: Education Article, §§2-205, 4-111, 7-205, [7-205.1, 7-206,] and 8-404, Annotated Code of Maryland

Notice of Proposed Action

[11-016-R]

The Maryland State Board of Education proposes to amend Regulation .04 under COMAR 13A.03.02 **Graduation Requirements for Public High Schools in Maryland**. Because substantive changes have been made to the original proposal as published in 38:1 Md. R. 50—51 (January 3, 2011), this action is being repropose at this time. This action was considered at the Maryland State Board of Education meeting on February 22, 2011.

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this action is to align COMAR 13A.03.02 with COMAR 13A.04.17.

Comparison to Federal Standards

There is no corresponding federal standard to this proposed action.

Estimate of Economic Impact

The proposed action has no economic impact.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses

The proposed action has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities

The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment

Comments may be sent to Mary Thurlow, Science Coordinator, Division of Instruction, Maryland State Department of Education, 200 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore, MD 21201, or call 410-767-0329, or email to mthurlow@msde.state.md.us, or fax to 410-333-1146. Comments will be accepted through May 9, 2011. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

Open Meeting

Final action on the proposal will be considered by the Maryland State Board of Education during a public meeting to be held on June 21—22, 2011, at 200 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore, MD 21201.

Ed. Note: Pursuant to State Government Article, §10-113, Annotated Code of Maryland, if a promulgating agency substantively alters the text of regulations that have been previously proposed in the Maryland Register, the altered text must be published in the Maryland Register as though it were initially proposed. The text of regulations appearing immediately below has been altered substantively from the initially proposed text.

Symbols: Roman type indicates existing text of regulations. *Italic* type indicates initially proposed new text. **Helvetica Bold Italic** type indicates new text that substantively alters the text as initially proposed. [Single brackets] indicate existing text proposed for repeal. [[[Triple brackets]]] indicate text proposed for deletion which substantively alters the originally proposed text.

.04 Credit Requirements.

A. — B. (originally proposed text unchanged)

C. *Beginning with students entering [[[ninth grade]]] high school in 2011—2012, all students must complete [[[the]]] a locally designed high school program of environmental literacy [[[requirement]]] as set forth in COMAR 13A.04.17 that is approved by the State Superintendent of Schools. [[[Including but not limited to the ways set forth below, a student may meet this requirement by the successful completion of:*

- (1) *The science and social studies credits required for graduation as set forth in this regulation;*
- (2) *An AP environmental science course or the on-line AP environmental science course offered through the Maryland Virtual Learning Opportunities Program; or*
- (3) *A locally developed environmental science course.]]]*

NANCY S. GRASMICK
State Superintendent of Schools

Title 14

INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

Subtitle 01 STATE LOTTERY AGENCY

Notice of Proposed Action
[11-116-P]

The Maryland State Lottery Agency proposes to amend:

- (1) Regulation .05 under COMAR 14.01.14 **Video Lottery Facility Minimum Internal Control Standards;**
- (2) Regulation .09 under COMAR 14.01.16 **Voluntary Exclusion and Responsible Gaming;** and
- (3) Regulation .09 under COMAR 14.01.17 **Mandatory Exclusion.**

This action was considered at the Maryland State Lottery Commission open meeting held on February 24, 2011, notice of which was given pursuant to State Government Article, §10-506(c), Annotated Code of Maryland.

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this action is to update regulations to incorporate provisions required for the implementation and operation of the State's new Video Lottery Terminal program and for the VLT Facilities which are now open.

Comparison to Federal Standards

There is no corresponding federal standard to this proposed action.

Estimate of Economic Impact

The proposed action has no economic impact.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses

The proposed action has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities

The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment

Comments may be sent to Robert W. Howells, Regulations Coordinator, Maryland State Lottery Agency, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 330, Baltimore, MD 21230, or call 410-230-8789, or email to rhowells@msla.state.md.us, or fax to 410-230-8727. Comments will be accepted through May 9, 2011. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

14.01.14 Video Lottery Facility Minimum Internal Control Standards

Authority: State Government Article, Title 9, Subtitle 1A, Annotated Code of Maryland

.05 Review of Internal Controls.

A. At least [30] 60 days before video lottery terminal operations are to commence, a facility operator shall submit its internal controls to the Commission for review and written approval.

B. — G. (text unchanged)

14.01.16 Voluntary Exclusion and Responsible Gaming

Authority: State Government Article, Title 9, Subtitle 1A-24(e), Annotated Code of Maryland

.09 Responsible Gaming Plan.

A. (text unchanged)

B. A facility operator shall submit to the Commission the responsible gaming plan required under §A of this regulation at least [45] 60 days before video lottery terminal operations are to commence.

C. — D. (text unchanged)

14.01.17 Mandatory Exclusion

Authority: State Government Article, Title 9, Subtitle 1A, Annotated Code of Maryland

.09 Facility Exclusion Plan.

A. — B. (text unchanged)

C. A facility operator shall submit to the Commission for its approval:

(1) The exclusion plan required under §A of this regulation at least [45] 60 days before video lottery terminal operations are to commence;

(2) — (3) (text unchanged)

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State Lottery Agency