



1 ~~20:43:02:02. Transferred to § 20:43:03:05. Application for exams. Each jurisprudence~~  
2 ~~examination must be submitted to the board with the examination fee of \$225 for a dentist or~~  
3 ~~\$115 for a dental hygienist.~~

4 ~~Source: SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980; 8 SDR 95, effective~~  
5 ~~February 15, 1982; 12 SDR 151, 12 SDR 155, effective July 1, 1986; 18 SDR 132, effective~~  
6 ~~February 17, 1992; 20 SDR 166, effective April 11, 1994; 38 SDR 172, effective April 25, 2012;~~  
7 ~~43 SDR 16, effective August 15, 2016.~~

8 ~~General Authority: SDCL 36-6A-47(10), 36-6A-47.1(10), 36-6A-50(1)(2).~~

9 ~~Law Implemented: SDCL 36-6A-47(10), 36-6A-47.1(10), 36-6A-50(1)(2).~~

## 10 CHAPTER 20:43:03

### 11 LICENSING DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS

12 Section

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15 20:43:03:03 ~~Repealed.~~

16 20:43:03:04 ~~Requirements~~ Application for licensure of dentists and dental hygienists by  
17 license to practice as a dentist -- eredential Credential verification.

18 20:43:03:04.01 ~~Requirements for foreign trained dentists and dental hygienists.~~ Repealed.

19 20:43:03:04.02 Requirements for temporary registration of dentists and dental hygienists.

20 20:43:03:05 ~~Repealed.~~ Jurisprudence Examination -- Fee.

21 20:43:03:06 ~~Certificate of registration~~ Annual Renewal of License -- Renewal fees.

22 20:43:03:07 Continuing education requirements -- Dentists.

23 20:43:03:07.01 Continuing education requirements -- Dental hygienists.

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2 20:43:03:08 ~~Repealed.~~ Application for license to practice as a dental hygienist -  
3 Requirements.

4 20:43:03:09 ~~Repealed.~~ Clinical Competency Examination – License to practice as a dental  
5 hygienist.

6 20:43:03:10 ~~Repealed.~~ Application for license to practice as a dental hygienist - Credential  
7 verification.

8 20:43:03:11 Lost or destroyed license or registration -- Replacement.

9 **20:43:03:01. Applicants Application for license to practice as a dentist --**

10 **Requirements.** An applicant for a license to practice ~~dentistry or dental hygiene~~ must be a  
11 ~~graduate of a dental or dental hygiene school accredited by the American Dental Association~~  
12 ~~Commission on Dental Accreditation.~~ The applicant as a dentist shall submit the following:

13 (1) A completed application form and a fee of \$150 ~~for dentists and \$100 for dental~~  
14 ~~hygienists;~~

15 (2) ~~A copy of the diploma~~ Certified Transcripts or, when approved, a certified letter from  
16 a dental ~~or dental hygiene~~ school official verifying that the applicant has graduated from an  
17 American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation accredited United States  
18 dental school, having obtained a doctor of dental medicine or a doctor of dental surgery degree;

19 (3) ~~A copy of the applicant's passing~~ Verification of passage of the National Board Dental  
20 Examination grades or certificate Part I and II;

21 (4) ~~A copy of the applicant's passing Central Regional Dental Testing Service examination~~  
22 ~~or Western Regional Examining Board examination grades or certificate.~~ The applicant must  
23 have passed the ~~Central Regional Dental Testing Service or Western Regional Examining Board~~

1 ~~examination~~ Verification of passage of a board approved patient based clinical competency  
2 examination that meets the criteria outlined in 20:43:03:02 within the five years preceding  
3 application or, if the patient based clinical competency examination was passed prior to July 1,  
4 2018 and within the five years preceding application, verification of passage of the Central  
5 Regional Dental Testing Service examination or Western Regional Examining Board  
6 examination.: \_\_\_\_\_

7 \_\_\_\_\_ (a) ~~If an applicant fails any part of the Central Regional Dental Testing Service~~  
8 ~~examination or the Western Regional Examining Board examination twice, the applicant must~~  
9 ~~receive remedial education from a school accredited by the American Dental Association~~  
10 ~~Commission on Dental Accreditation before taking the regional examination a third time. An~~  
11 ~~applicant who fails a third time~~ any combination of board approved clinical competency  
12 examinations three times is not eligible for licensure in South Dakota;

13 (5) A certified letter verifying the license number and status of such license from the  
14 Board of Dentistry in each state in which the applicant is or has been licensed, if applicable;

15 (6) A copy of the applicant's birth certificate or equivalent documentation;

16 (7) A recent ~~notarized~~ photograph; ~~and~~

17 (8) A copy of the applicant's current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card. The board  
18 accepts only the American Heart Association for the Healthcare Provider, the American Red  
19 Cross for the Professional Rescuer, or an equivalent program approved by the board-; and

20 \_\_\_\_\_ (9) Completed fingerprint cards necessary to conduct a state and federal criminal  
21 background check.

1 An applicant for a license to practice as a dentist must pass a written examination  
2 administered by the board on the relevant administrative rules and statutes. A cut score of 70  
3 percent is considered passing.

4 A complete application must be received at least 30 days before the board meeting to be  
5 considered. If requested, an applicant must appear for a personal interview conducted by the  
6 board on a date set by the board.

7 **Source:** SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980; 12 SDR 151, 12 SDR  
8 155, effective July 1, 1986; 18 SDR 132, effective February 17, 1992; 20 SDR 166, effective  
9 April 11, 1994; 26 SDR 37, effective September 20, 1999; 27 SDR 57, effective December 12,  
10 2000; 38 SDR 172, effective April 25, 2012.

11 **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44(3), 36-6A-50(13) and (14).

12 **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44(3).

13 **20:43:03:02. ~~Fee for certificate of registration.~~ Repealed. Clinical competency**  
14 **examination – License to practice as a dentist.** The board may approve a patient based clinical  
15 competency examination pursuant to 20:43:03:01(4) that includes, at a minimum, a cut score of  
16 seventy five percent along with the following components:

17 (1.) A patient-based periodontal component that includes at least the following:

- 18 i. Pocket depth detection;  
19 ii. Calculus detection and removal; and  
20 iii. An intra oral and extra oral assessment;

21 (2.) A patient-based restorative component that includes at least the following:

- 22 i. A class II composite or amalgam preparation and restoration. Slot  
23 preparations will not be accepted as fulfilling this requirement; and

1                   ii. A class III anterior composite preparation and restoration;

2           (3.)A manikin-based prosthodontic component that includes at least the following:

3                   i. An all ceramic anterior crown preparation; and

4                   ii. A three unit fixed bridge that includes:

5                           1. A cast gold posterior crown preparation; and

6                           2. A porcelain fused to metal crown preparation;

7           (4.)A manikin-based endodontic component that includes at least the following:

8                   i. An anterior endodontic procedure that includes access opening,  
9                           instrumentation, and obturation; and

10                  ii. A posterior endodontic procedure that includes access opening and canal  
11                           location; and

12           (5.)A remediation policy to address candidate deficiencies.

13 ~~Source: SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980; 8 SDR 95, effective February~~  
14 ~~15, 1982; 12 SDR 151, 12 SDR 155, effective July 1, 1986; 18 SDR 132, effective February 17,~~  
15 ~~1992; repealed, 38 SDR 172, effective April 25, 2012.~~

16           General Authority: SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44(4)

17           Law Implemented: SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44(4)

18           **20:43:03:03. Reciprocity requirements -- Fees. Repealed.**

19           **Source:** SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980; 8 SDR 95, effective  
20 February 15, 1982; 12 SDR 151, 12 SDR 155, effective July 1, 1986; repealed, 18 SDR 132,  
21 effective February 17, 1992.

22           **20:43:03:04. Requirements Application for licensure of dentists and dental**  
23 **hygienists by license to practice as a dentist -- ~~credential~~ Credential verification. ~~To receive~~**

1 ~~South Dakota licensure as a~~ An applicant for a license to practice as a dentist or dental hygienist  
2 ~~under~~ by credential verification, ~~an applicant must meet the requirements of SDCL 36-6A-47.~~  
3 ~~An applicant for a license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene must be a graduate of a dental or~~  
4 ~~dental hygiene school accredited by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental~~  
5 ~~Accreditation. In addition, the candidate shall submit the following at least 30 days before the~~  
6 ~~board meeting:~~

7 (1) A completed application form and fee of \$500 ~~for dentists and \$200 for dental~~  
8 ~~hygienists;~~

9 (2) A ~~physician's statement from a licensed doctor of medicine, doctor of osteopathic~~  
10 ~~medicine, physician assistant, or certified nurse practitioner~~ attesting to the applicant's physical  
11 ~~and mental condition;~~

12 (3) ~~A copy of the applicant's passing~~ Verification of passage of the National Board Dental  
13 ~~Examination Part I and II grades or certificate;~~

14 (4) ~~A copy of the applicant's passing Regional Board Examination grades or certificate~~  
15 Verification of passage of a patient based clinical competency examination that has been  
16 approved by the board or passage of a state examination or examinations that the board deems  
17 equivalent;

18 (5) A certified letter verifying the license number and status of such license from the board  
19 of dentistry in each state in which the applicant is or has been licensed;

20 (6) ~~A copy of the diploma or a certified letter from a dental or dental hygiene school~~  
21 ~~official verifying that the applicant has graduated~~ Certified Transcripts or, when approved, a  
22 certified letter from a dental school official verifying that the applicant has graduated from an

1 American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation accredited United States  
2 dental school, having obtained a doctor of dental medicine or a doctor of dental surgery degree;

3 (7) A copy of the applicant's birth certificate or equivalent documentation;

4 (8) A copy of the applicant's current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card. The board  
5 accepts only the American Heart Association for the Healthcare Provider, the American Red  
6 Cross for the Professional Rescuer, or an equivalent program approved by the board; ~~and~~

7 (9) A recent ~~notarized~~ photograph; and

8 (10) Completed fingerprint cards necessary to conduct a state and federal criminal  
9 background check.

10 An applicant for a license to practice as a dentist must pass a written examination  
11 administered by the board on the relevant administrative rules and statutes. A cut score of 70  
12 percent is considered passing.

13 A complete application must be received at least 30 days before the board meeting to be  
14 considered. If requested, an applicant for licensure by credential verification must appear for a  
15 personal interview conducted by the board on a date set by the board.

16 **Source:** SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980; 8 SDR 95, effective  
17 February 15, 1982; 12 SDR 151, 12 SDR 155, effective July 1, 1986; 19 SDR 32, effective  
18 September 6, 1992; 26 SDR 37, effective September 20, 1999; 38 SDR 172, effective April 25,  
19 2012.

20 **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-47, 36-6A-50(~~49~~18).

21 **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-47, 36-6A-50(~~49~~18).

22 **Cross-References:** ~~Dentists, dental hygienists, and dental auxiliaries, SDCL ch 36-6A;~~  
23 ~~Dental corporations, SDCL ch 47-12.~~



1           **20:43:03:04.01. Repealed. Requirements for foreign-trained dentists and dental**  
2 **hygienists.** A foreign-trained dentist or dental hygienist that has not graduated from a dental or  
3 dental hygiene school accredited by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental  
4 Accreditation must meet the following requirements: ———

5           (1) ~~Meet all requirements of § 20:43:03:01 or 20:43:03:04 for a dentist or a dental~~  
6 ~~hygienist; and~~

7           (2) ~~In lieu of graduation from a dental or dental hygiene school accredited by the~~  
8 ~~American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation, the applicant must submit~~  
9 ~~certification from a dental or dental hygiene school accredited by the American Dental~~  
10 ~~Association Commission on Dental Accreditation stating that the applicant has been tested and~~  
11 ~~received the training necessary for the school to certify, in writing, that the applicant is equal in~~  
12 ~~knowledge and ability to a graduate of a dental or dental hygiene school accredited by the~~  
13 ~~American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation in the United States or~~  
14 ~~Canada within the five years preceding the date of application.~~

15           **Source:** 18 SDR 132, effective February 17, 1992; 26 SDR 37, effective September 20,  
16 1999; 38 SDR 172, effective April 25, 2012.

17           ~~—— **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44(4).~~

18           ~~—— **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-44(4), 36-6A-47.~~

19           **20:43:03:04.02. Requirements for temporary registration of dentists and dental**  
20 **hygienists.** The board may issue a temporary registration for a specified period of time ~~and~~  
21 ~~location~~ if an applicant ~~meets~~ has met all requirements of § 20:43:03:01 or 20:43:03:04 for a  
22 license to practice as a dentist or a dental hygienist or if an applicant has met all requirements of  
23 36-6A-49 and submits a fee of \$50.

1           **Source:** 18 SDR 132, effective February 17, 1992; 20 SDR 166, effective April 11, 1994;  
2 38 SDR 172, effective April 25, 2012.

3           **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44, 36-6A-44.2, 36-6A-47, 36-6A-47.1,  
4 36-6A-49, 36-6A-49.1, 36-6A-50(9).

5           **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44, 36-6A-44.2, 36-6A-47, 36-6A-47.1,  
6 36-6A-49, 36-6A-49.1, 36-6A-50(9).

7           **~~20:43:03:05. Requirements for licensure of hygienists by endorsement and~~**  
8 **~~qualification approval.~~ Repealed. Jurisprudence Examination -- Fee. Each jurisprudence  
9 examination must be submitted to the board with the examination fee of \$225 for a dentist or  
10 \$115 for a dental hygienist.**

11           **Source:** ~~SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980; 8 SDR 95, effective~~  
12 ~~February 15, 1982; 12 SDR 151, 12 SDR 155, effective July 1, 1986; repealed, 19 SDR 32,~~  
13 ~~effective September 6, 1992.~~

14           **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-47(10), 36-6A-47.1(10), 36-6A-50(1)(2).

15           **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-47(10), 36-6A-47.1(10), 36-6A-50(1)(2).

16           **~~20:43:03:06. Certificate of registration~~ Annual renewal of license -- **Renewal fees.****

17 Each person licensed to practice ~~dentistry or dental hygiene~~ as a dentist or a dental hygienist in  
18 South Dakota must annually procure a certificate of registration from the board by July 1 ~~each~~  
19 ~~year first.~~ Each person licensed to practice as a dentist or a dental hygienist must maintain a  
20 current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card. The board accepts only the American Heart  
21 Association for the Healthcare Provider, the American Red Cross for the Professional Rescuer,  
22 or an equivalent program approved by the board. ~~Dentists~~ A dentist must pay an annual

1 registration fee of \$150 plus a continuing education fee of \$20, and a dental hygienists must pay  
2 an annual registration fee of \$75 plus a continuing education fee of \$20.

3 **Source:** SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980; 8 SDR 95, effective  
4 February 15, 1982; 12 SDR 151, 12 SDR 155, effective July 1, 1986; 13 SDR 164, effective May  
5 10, 1987; 16 SDR 133, effective February 15, 1990; 38 SDR 172, effective April 25, 2012.

6 **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(5) and (6), 36-6A-50(3), (4), and (7), (10), and (17),  
7 36-6A-52.

8 **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-50(3), (4), ~~and (7), (10), and (17)~~ 36-6A-52.

9 ~~— **Cross-Reference:** Reinstatement of suspended or revoked license, SDCL 36-6A-25.~~

10 **20:43:03:07. Continuing education requirements -- Dentists.** A dentist must ~~take~~  
11 complete at least 100 hours of board approved continuing education in each five-year licensure  
12 cycle. One hour of continuing education may be earned for each hour of attendance at a board  
13 approved continuing education course.

14 ~~Twenty five~~ Fifty hours of the required ~~one hundred~~ 100 hours must be ~~university-based~~  
15 academic. A university-based course must Academic hours must directly relate to the provision  
16 of clinical dental services and meet one of the following criteria:

17 (1.) The course must be taken physically at a dental school accredited by the American  
18 Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation;

19 (2.) ~~the~~ The course presenter must be affiliated with a dental school accredited by the  
20 American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation;

21 (3.) The provider organization must be approved by the American Dental Association  
22 Continuing Education Recognition Program; or

1 (4.) The provider organization must be approved by the Academy of General Dentistry  
2 Program Approval For Continuing Education.

3 ~~A dentist must maintain a current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card. The board~~  
4 ~~accepts only the American Heart Association for the Healthcare Provider, the American Red~~  
5 ~~Cross for the Professional Rescuer, or an equivalent program approved by the board.~~

6 ~~The remaining hours may be obtained in the following manner:~~

7 ~~(1) Five hours of credit may be earned for each attendance at state, regional, and national~~  
8 ~~meetings;~~

9 ~~— (2) One hour of credit may be earned for each hour of attendance at lectures or courses~~  
10 ~~given at local, state, regional, or national dental meetings.~~

11 Credit for nutrition is limited to 15 hours per five-year licensure cycle. Credit for practice  
12 management is limited to 10 hours per five-year licensure cycle. Credit for home study courses is  
13 limited to 30 hours per five-year licensure cycle. Credit for ~~CPR~~ cardiopulmonary resuscitation  
14 is limited to 15 hours per five-year licensure cycle. Credit for clinical is unlimited per five-year  
15 licensure cycle. Up to five hours of clinical continuing education may be earned for attendance  
16 at exhibits at a state, regional, or national dental conference.

17 Dentists holding a general anesthesia and deep sedation or moderate sedation permit must  
18 complete an additional 25 hours of continuing education in anesthesia related topics per five-year  
19 licensure cycle.

20 The board's continuing education guidelines will be reviewed annually.

21 **Source:** SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; 5 SDR 68, effective February 13, 1979; 6 SDR 87, effective  
22 March 2, 1980; 12 SDR 151, 12 SDR 155, effective July 1, 1986; 13 SDR 23, effective  
23 September 3, 1986; 18 SDR 132, effective February 17, 1992; 20 SDR 166, effective April 11,

1 1994; 26 SDR 37, effective September 20, 1999; 35 SDR 67, effective September 25, 2008; 37  
2 SDR 131, effective January 6, 2011; 38 SDR 172, effective April 25, 2012.

3 **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(1), (3), (11), and (14), 36-6A-55.

4 **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-14(1), (3), (11), and (13), 36-6A-55.

5 **20:43:03:07.01. Continuing education requirements -- Dental hygienists.** A dental  
6 hygienist must ~~earn~~ complete at least 75 hours of board approved continuing education in each  
7 five-year licensure cycle. One hour of continuing education may be earned for each hour of  
8 attendance at a board approved continuing education course.

9 ~~A dental hygienist must have documented at least five hours of continuing education in~~  
10 ~~dental radiography per five year licensure cycle which must meet the course requirements in~~  
11 ~~§ 20:43:07:10.~~

12 ~~A dental hygienist must maintain a current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card. The~~  
13 ~~board accepts only the American Heart Association for the Healthcare Provider, the American~~  
14 ~~Red Cross for the Professional Rescuer, or an equivalent program approved by the board.~~

15 ~~The remaining hours may be earned in the following manner:~~

16 ~~(1) Five hours of credit may be earned for each attendance at state, regional, and national~~  
17 ~~meetings;~~

18 ~~— (2) One hour of credit may be earned for each hour of attendance at lectures or courses~~  
19 ~~given at local, state, regional, or national dental meetings.~~

20 Five hours of the required 75 hours must be in dental radiography. Credit for dental  
21 radiography is limited to 20 hours per five-year licensure cycle. Credit for nutrition is limited to  
22 15 hours per five-year licensure cycle. Credit for practice management is limited to 10 hours per  
23 five-year licensure cycle. Credit for home study courses is limited to 30 hours per five-year

1 licensure cycle. Credit for ~~CPR~~ cardiopulmonary resuscitation is limited to 15 hours per five-  
2 year licensure cycle. Credit for clinical is unlimited per five-year licensure cycle. Up to five  
3 hours of clinical continuing education may be earned for attendance at exhibits at a state,  
4 regional, or national dental conference.

5 The board's continuing education guidelines will be reviewed annually.

6 **Source:** 13 SDR 23, effective September 3, 1986; 18 SDR 132, effective February 17,  
7 1992; 20 SDR 18, effective August 16, 1993; 20 SDR 166, effective April 11, 1994; 26 SDR 37,  
8 effective September 20, 1999; 35 SDR 67, effective September 25, 2008; 38 SDR 172, effective  
9 April 25, 2012.

10 **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(1), (3) and (11), 36-6A-55.

11 **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-55.

12 ~~20:43:03:07.02. Transferred to 20:43:08:09.01—Continuing education requirements—~~

13 ~~**Registered dental assistants.** Registered dental assistants must earn 60 hours of board approved~~  
14 ~~continuing education in each five-year licensure cycle.~~

15 ~~Registered dental assistants must maintain a current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)~~  
16 ~~card. The board accepts only the American Heart Association for the Healthcare Provider, the~~  
17 ~~American Red Cross for the Professional Rescuer, or an equivalent program approved by the~~  
18 ~~board.~~

19 ~~The remaining hours may be earned in the following manner:~~

20 ~~(1) Five hours of credit may be earned for each attendance at state, regional, and national~~  
21 ~~meetings;~~

22 ~~(2) One hour of credit may be earned for each hour of attendance at lectures or courses~~  
23 ~~given at local, state, regional, or national dental meetings.~~

1 ~~—— Credit for nutrition is limited to 15 hours per five year licensure cycle. Credit for practice~~  
2 ~~management is limited to 10 hours per five year licensure cycle. Continuing education through~~  
3 ~~home study courses is limited to 30 hours per five year licensure cycle. Credit for CPR is limited~~  
4 ~~to 15 hours per five year licensure cycle.~~

5 **Source:** 19 SDR 32, effective September 6, 1992; 20 SDR 166, effective April 11, 1994;  
6 35 SDR 67, effective September 25, 2008; 38 SDR 172, effective April 25, 2012; 42 SDR 19,  
7 effective August 17, 2015.

8 ~~—— **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(1), 36-6A-55.~~

9 ~~—— **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-55.~~

10 **20:43:03:08. Annual registration -- Active and inactive.**~~Repealed.~~ **Application for**  
11 **license to practice as a dental hygienist -- Requirements.** An applicant for a license to practice  
12 as a dental hygienist shall submit the following:

13 (1) A completed application form and a fee of \$100;

14 (2) Certified Transcripts or, when approved, a certified letter from a dental hygiene  
15 school official verifying that the applicant has graduated from an American Dental Association  
16 Commission on Dental Accreditation accredited United States dental hygiene program, having  
17 obtained a dental hygiene degree;

18 (3) Verification of passage of the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination;

19 (4) Verification of passage of a board approved patient based clinical competency  
20 examination that meets the criteria outlined in 20:43:03:09 within the five years preceding  
21 application or, if the patient based clinical competency examination was passed prior to July 1,  
22 2018 and within the five years preceding application, verification of passage of the Central  
23 Regional Dental Testing Service examination or Western Regional Examining Board

1 examination. An applicant who fails any combination of board approved clinical competency  
2 examinations three times is not eligible for licensure in South Dakota;

3 (5) A certified letter verifying the license number and status of such license from the  
4 Board of Dentistry in each state in which the applicant is or has been licensed, if applicable;

5 (6) A copy of the applicant's birth certificate or equivalent documentation;

6 (7) A recent photograph; and

7 (8) A copy of the applicant's current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card. The board  
8 accepts only the American Heart Association for the Healthcare Provider, the American Red  
9 Cross for the Professional Rescuer, or an equivalent program approved by the board.

10 An applicant for a license to practice as a dental hygienist must pass a written examination  
11 administered by the board on the relevant administrative rules and statutes. A cut score of 70  
12 percent is considered passing.

13 A complete application must be received at least 30 days before the board meeting to be  
14 considered. If requested, an applicant must appear for a personal interview conducted by the  
15 board on a date set by the board.

16 **Source:** ~~SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; repealed, 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980.~~

17 **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44.2, 36-6A-50(14)

18 **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44.2.

19 **20:43:03:09. ~~Inactive status -- Eligibility. Repealed.~~ Clinical competency examination**  
20 **– License to practice as a dental hygienist.** The board may approve a patient based dental  
21 hygiene clinical competency examination pursuant to 20:43:03:08(4) that includes, at a  
22 minimum, a cut score of seventy five percent along with the following components:

23 (1) Pocket depth detection;



- 1           (2) Calculus detection and removal;  
2           (3) An intra oral and extra oral assessment; and  
3           (4) A remediation policy to address candidate deficiencies.

4           **Source:** ~~SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; repealed, 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980.~~

5           **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44.2(4)

6           **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-44.2(4)

7           **20:43:03:10. ~~Return to active practice.~~Repealed. Application for license to practice**  
8 **as a dental hygienist -- Credential verification.** An applicant for a license to practice as a  
9 dental hygienist by credential verification shall submit the following:

- 10       (1) A completed application form and fee of \$200;  
11       (2) A statement from a licensed doctor of medicine, doctor of osteopathic medicine,  
12 physician assistant, or certified nurse practitioner attesting to the applicant's physical and mental  
13 condition;  
14       (3) Verification of passage of the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination;  
15       (4) Verification of passage of a patient based clinical competency examination that has  
16 been approved by the board or passage of a state examination or examinations that the board  
17 deems equivalent;  
18       (5) A certified letter verifying the license number and status of such license from the board  
19 of dentistry in each state in which the applicant is or has been licensed;  
20       (6) Certified Transcripts or, when approved, a certified letter from a dental hygiene  
21 school official verifying that the applicant has graduated from an American Dental Association  
22 Commission on Dental Accreditation accredited United States dental hygiene school, having  
23 obtained a dental hygiene degree;

1 (7) A copy of the applicant's birth certificate or equivalent documentation;

2 (8) A copy of the applicant's current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card. The board  
3 accepts only the American Heart Association for the Healthcare Provider, the American Red  
4 Cross for the Professional Rescuer, or an equivalent program approved by the board; and

5 (9) A recent photograph.

6 An applicant for a license to practice as a dental hygienist must pass a written examination  
7 administered by the board on the relevant administrative rules and statutes. A cut score of 70  
8 percent is considered passing.

9 A complete application must be received at least 30 days before the board meeting to be  
10 considered. If requested, an applicant must appear for a personal interview conducted by the  
11 board on a date set by the board.

12 **Source:** ~~SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; repealed, 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980.~~

13 **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-47.1, 36-6A-50(18).

14 **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-14(3), 36-6A-47.1, 36-6A-50(18).

15 **20:43:03:11. Lost or destroyed license or registration -- Replacement.** A fee of \$15 is  
16 required for replacement of a lost or destroyed license or registration.

17 **Source:** SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; 6 SDR 87, effective March 2, 1980; 12 SDR 151, 12 SDR  
18 155, effective July 1, 1986; 20 SDR 166, effective April 11, 1994.

19 **General Authority:** ~~SDCL 36-6A-14~~50(5).

20 **Law Implemented:** ~~SDCL 36-6A-58~~50(5).

21 **CHAPTER 20:43:07**

22 **DENTAL RADIOGRAPHY**

23 Section

- 1 20:43:07:01 Definition of terms.
- 2 20:43:07:02 Minimum eligibility requirements.
- 3 20:43:07:03 Training requirements.
- 4 20:43:07:04 Repealed.
- 5 20:43:07:05 Qualification by endorsement.
- 6 20:43:07:06 Approval of programs -- Application.
- 7 20:43:07:07 Application for registration.
- 8 20:43:07:08 Examination and proficiency evaluation.
- 9 20:43:07:09 Fee for certificate of registration -- Renewal.
- 10 20:43:07:10 Continuing education requirements – Dental radiographers.
- 11 20:43:07:11 License registration.
- 12 20:43:07:12 Prohibited use of radiation.
- 13 20:43:07:13 General safety provisions to protect persons from radiation exposures.
- 14 20:43:07:14 Requirements of x-ray film processing and darkroom.
- 15 **20:43:07:10. Continuing education requirements - Dental radiographers.** ~~A dental hygienist~~
- 16 ~~or any person certified in dental radiography must earn continuing education which shall include~~
- 17 ~~radiation safety, equipment operation, film processing, emergency procedures, anatomy and~~
- 18 ~~positioning of relevant procedures, radiographic quality assurance, correcting and identifying~~
- 19 ~~technique and processing errors, and recognition and identification of radiographic information,~~
- 20 ~~such as procedures for enhancing interpretation of radiographic information including disease. A~~
- 21 ~~dental hygienist or a person who is certified in dental radiography must have documented at least~~
- 22 ~~five hours of continuing education in dental radiography in a five year period. Documentation of~~
- 23 ~~the training must include dates, the name of the instructor, and the subjects covered. A dental~~

1 radiographer must complete at least five hours of board approved continuing education in dental  
2 radiography in each five-year licensure cycle. One hour of continuing education may be earned  
3 for each hour of attendance at a board approved continuing education course. The board's  
4 continuing education guidelines will be reviewed annually.

5 **Source:** 26 SDR 37, effective September 20, 1999; 32 SDR 188, effective May 15, 2006.

6 **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(1) and 7, 36-6A-~~21~~55.

7 **Law Implemented:** SDCL ~~36-6A-14(1)~~, ~~36-6A-21~~, 36-6A-55.

8 **CHAPTER 20:43:08**

9 **REGISTERED DENTAL ASSISTANTS AND DENTAL ASSISTANTS**

10 Section

11 20:43:08:01 Definitions.

12 20:43:08:02 Dental assistant -- Requirements.

13 20:43:08:03 Registered dental assistant -- Requirements.

14 20:43:08:04 Qualifications by endorsement.

15 20:43:08:05 Approval of programs -- Application.

16 20:43:08:06 Certificate of competency -- Examination.

17 20:43:08:07 Repealed.

18 20:43:08:08 Application for registration.

19 20:43:08:09 Fee for registration -- Renewal.

20 20:43:08:09.01. Continuing education requirements -- Registered dental assistants.

21 20:43:08:10 Delegation of duties -- Supervision.

22 20:43:08:11 Procedures that may not be delegated.

1 **20:43:08:09. Fee for registration -- Renewal.** If an applicant meets the requirements of  
2 § 20:43:08:03, the board shall issue a registration as a registered dental assistant upon payment  
3 of a fee of \$40 for initial registration. ~~By July 1 of each year, a~~ Each person registered to practice  
4 as a registered dental assistant shall submit a must annually procure a certificate of registration  
5 from the board by July first. Each person registered as a registered dental assistant must  
6 maintain a current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card. The board accepts only the  
7 American Heart Association for the Healthcare Provider, the American Red Cross for the  
8 Professional Rescuer, or an equivalent program approved by the board. A registered dental  
9 assistant must pay an annual renewal fee of \$20. A registered dental assistant shall display the  
10 registration in the office.

11 **Source:** 19 SDR 32, effective September 6, 1992; 38 SDR 172, effective April 25, 2012;  
12 42 SDR 19, effective August 17, 2015.

13 **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(6) and (7), 36-6A-50(15) and (17).

14 **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-14(6) and (7), 36-6A-50(15) and (17).

15 **20:43:08:09.01. Continuing education requirements -- Registered dental assistants. A**  
16 registered dental assistant must complete at least 60 hours of board approved continuing  
17 education in each five-year licensure cycle. One hour of continuing education may be earned for  
18 each hour of attendance at a board approved continuing education course.

19 Credit for nutrition is limited to 15 hours per five-year licensure cycle. Credit for practice  
20 management is limited to 10 hours per five-year licensure cycle. Credit for home study courses is  
21 limited to 30 hours per five-year licensure cycle. Credit for cardiopulmonary resuscitation is  
22 limited to 15 hours per five-year licensure cycle. Credit for clinical is unlimited per five-year

1 licensure cycle. Up to five hours of clinical continuing education may be earned for attendance  
2 at exhibits at a state, regional, or national dental conference.

3 The board's continuing education guidelines will be reviewed annually.

4 **General Authority:** SDCL 36-6A-14(1) and (7), 36-6A-55.

5 **Law Implemented:** SDCL 36-6A-55.