BOARD OF BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY

IMPORTANT NOTICE

REGARDING THE USE OF DICTIONARIES IN LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

Effective March 7, 2007, it is the policy of the State of Hawaii Board of Barbering and Cosmetology ("Board") that the use of dictionaries during cosmetology licensing examinations is strictly prohibited.

This prohibition applies to all types of dictionaries and materials that could be used to assist candidates in taking and completing the licensing examinations for cosmetologists, hairdressers, estheticians, nail technicians, and beauty school instructors.

Pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") §16-78-28, all cosmetology licensing examinations are to be conducted in accordance with procedures formulated by Thomson Prometric ("Prometric"), the testing service that is authorized by the Board to administer examinations. Failure to follow this and other rules and procedures shall result in immediate disqualification from the examination, and may bar applicants from taking future examinations.

Further, pursuant to HAR §16-78-30, all examinations shall be conducted in the English language and no applicant shall be permitted the use of an interpreter.

Please contact the Board at (808) 586-2696 or Prometric at (808) 261-8182, if you have any questions.