

**RULES
OF
THE TENNESSEE MASSAGE LICENSURE BOARD**

665 Mainstream Drive
Nashville, TN 37243

Chapters	Title
0870-01	General Rules Governing Licensed Massage Therapists and Establishments
0870-02	General Rules Governing Massage Therapy Educational Programs

ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY

Original chapter 0870-01 filed March 25, 1996; effective June 8, 1996.

Repeal of and new chapter 0870-01 filed November 13, 1996; effective January 27, 1997.

Amendment to rules 0870-01-.01 and 0870-01-.02 and original rule 0870-01-.05 filed November 26, 1996; effective February 9, 1997.

Amendment to rules 0870-01-.04 and 0870-01-.12 filed August 21, 1998; effective November 4, 1998.

Amendment to rules 0870-01-.02, 0870-01-.04, 0870-01-.06, 0870-01-.15, and 0870-01-.16 filed August 10, 1999; effective October 24, 1999.

Amendment to rules 0870-01-.01, 0870-01-.04, 0870-01-.05, and 0870-01-.12 filed November 12, 1999; effective January 26, 2000.

Original rule 0870-01-.18 filed March 14, 2000; effective May 28, 2000.

Amendment to rules 0870-01-.01, 0870-01-.02, 0870-01-.04, 0870-01-.06, 0870-01-.09, 0870-01-.11, 0870-01-.12, 0870-01-.13 and 0870-01-.16 filed July 31, 2000; effective October 14, 2000.

Amendment to rule 0870-01-.06 filed November 14, 2000; effective January 29, 2001.

Amendment to rule 0870-01-.02 filed November 27, 2000; effective February 10, 2001.

Amendment to rules 0870-01-.01, 0870-01-.04, 0870-01-.05, 0870-01-.06, 0870-01-.09, 0870-01-.12, 0870-01-.13, and 0870-01-.15 filed July 25, 2002; effective October 8, 2002.

Amendment to rules 0870-01-.04 and 0870-01-.06 filed September 17, 2002; effective December 1, 2002.

Original rule 0870-01-.08 and amendment to rules 0870-01-.01 and 0870-01-.04 filed April 17, 2003; effective July 1, 2003.

Amendment to rule 0870-01-.12 filed May 20, 2003; effective August 3, 2003.

Original rule 0870-01-.19 filed May 30, 2003; effective August 13, 2003.

Amendment to rules 0870-01-.04, 0870-01-.05, and 0870-01-.07 filed June 15, 2004; effective August 29, 2004.

Amendment to rule 0870-01-.13 filed August 2, 2004; effective October 16, 2004.

Amendment to 0870-01-.04 filed October 18, 2004; effective January 1, 2005. Notice of Withdrawal of amendment to 0870-01-.04 filed November 12, 2004.

Amendments to rules 0870-01-.02, 0870-01-.04, 0870-01-.11, and 0870-01-.19 filed October 4, 2004; effective December 18, 2004.

Amendments to rules 0870-01-.02, 0870-01-.05, and 0870-01-.06 filed December 29, 2004; effective March 14, 2005.

Amendment to rule 0870-01-.12 filed December 16, 2005; effective March 1, 2006.

Original chapter 0870-02 and amendments to rules 0870-01-.01 through 0870-01-.19 filed March 24, 2006; effective June 7, 2006.

Amendments to rules 0870-01-.01 through 0870-01-.09, 0870-01-.11, 0870-01-.12, 0870-01-.16, and 0870-01-.19; and repeal of rule 0870-01-.10 filed June 16, 2006; effective August 30, 2006.

Notice of withdrawal filed and effective to rule 0870-01-.12(4)(b)1. on August 15, 2006.

Amendment to rules 0870-01-.05, 0870-01-.12, and 0870-01-.19 filed February 2, 2007; effective April 18, 2007.

Amendment to rules 0870-01-.04, 0870-01-.07, 0870-01-.08, and 0870-01-.12 filed May 10, 2007; effective July 24, 2007.

Amendments to rules 0870-01-.03, 0870-01-.12, and 0870-02-.02 filed April 30, 2008; effective July 14, 2008.

Amendments to rules 0870-01-.06, 0870-01-.12, and 0870-02-.02 and original rule 0870-02-.08 filed April 9, 2009; effective June 23, 2009.

Amendments to rules 0870-01-.09, 0870-01-.11, 0870-01-.14, 0870-01-.17, and 0870-01-.18 filed April 9, 2012; effective July 8, 2012. Repeal and new rules 0870-01-.01 through 0870-01-.05, 0870-01-.07, 0870-01-.08, 0870-01-.12, 0870-01-.13, 0870-01-.15, and 0870-01-.16 filed April 9, 2012; effective July 8, 2012. The Government Operations Committee filed a stay of the rules on July 2, 2012; new effective date August 3, 2012. The Government Operations Committee filed a second stay of the rules on July 13, 2012; new effective date September 6, 2012. The Massage Licensure Board filed a withdrawal of the amendment to rule 0870-01-.08 on August 20, 2012. The effective date of the remaining rules continues to be September 6, 2012.

Amendments to rules 0870-02-.01, 0870-02-.05, and 0870-02-.07 filed April 9, 2012; effective July 8, 2012. Repeal and new rules 0870-02-.02, 0870-02-.03, and 0870-02-.06 filed April 9, 2012; effective July 8, 2012. The Government Operations Committee filed a stay of the rules on July 2, 2012; new effective date August 3, 2012. The Government Operations Committee filed a second stay of the rules on July 13, 2012; new effective date September 6, 2012.

Amendments to rules 0870-01-.01 through 0870-01-.15, 0870-01-.19, 0870-02-.01, 0870-02-.02, and 0870-02-.05, deletion of rule 0870-01-.10, and repeal of 0870-02-.08 filed May 19, 2017; effective August 17, 2017.

Amendments to rules 0870-01-.05 and 0870-02-.02 filed April 21, 2025; effective July 20, 2025.