

Chapter RL 32

PRIVATE DETECTIVE AND AGENCY LICENSE RENEWAL
AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

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RL 32.01 Current licensure required for practice. (1) **PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY.** No person may operate or attempt to operate as a private detective agency, nor use the title or anything else to indicate the operation of a private detective agency unless such operation is licensed as a private detective agency under s. 440.26, Stats., and holds current licensure as set forth in the provisions for biennial renewal under s. 440.08, Stats.

(2) **PRIVATE DETECTIVE.** No person may practice or attempt to practice as a private detective, nor use the title or anything else to represent the person as a private detective unless he or she is licensed as a private detective under s. 440.26, Stats., and holds a current license as set forth in the provisions for biennial renewal under s. 440.08, Stats.

History: Cr. Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 11-1-88; corrections made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 7, Stats., Register, December, 1994, No. 468.

RL 32.02 Biennial renewal during established renewal period. History: Cr. Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 11-1-88; r. Register, December, 1994, No. 468, eff. 1-1-95.

RL 32.03 Renewal of license more than 5 years after renewal date. A private detective who applies for renewal of a license more than 5 years after the renewal date, as defined in s. 440.01 (1) (dm), Stats., shall successfully pass the licensing examination pursuant to s. RL 31.04 and pay the fee specified in s. 440.05 (1), Stats.

History: Cr. Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 11-1-88; am. Register, December, 1994, No. 468, eff. 1-1-95.

RL 32.04 Change of name or address. (1) An agency or a private detective shall notify the department in writing within 30 days after a change of name or address.

(2) An agency which changes its name without undergoing a change of ownership shall notify the department within 30 days of the change and shall have the name on the certificate of insurance or the agency bond changed before doing business under the new name.

History: Cr. Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 11-1-88.

RL 32.05 Transfer of employment. A licensed private detective who wishes to transfer employment from one private detective agency to another shall submit to the department a transfer application accompanied by the fee specified in s. 440.05 (7), Stats. The licensed private detective may not conduct licensed activity for the new employer until that person has mailed or delivered the transfer application and required fee to the department. Every licensed private detective shall notify the depart-

ment of the name of the private detective's current employer or employers.

History: Cr. Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 11-1-88.

RL 32.06 Termination of employment. A licensed private detective who terminates employment with an employing private detective agency shall send written notice to the department within 10 days after the termination.

History: Cr. Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 11-1-88.

RL 32.07 Change of owners or officers. (1) **CHANGE OF OWNERS.** (a) If an agency undergoes a change of owner, the former owner shall surrender the agency license to the department within 30 days after receiving written notice from the department of the issuance of a license to the new owner.

(b) The prospective new owner of a licensed agency shall apply for and receive an original agency license before engaging in business, and shall attach to the license application a statement made under oath by the current owner certifying that the current owner will have no control of, or pecuniary interest in, the agency after the issuance of a license to the prospective new owner.

(2) **CHANGE OF OFFICERS OR PARTNERS.** If there is a change in any of the officers of a corporation or partners of a partnership, the agency shall notify the department of the change before new officers or partners take office. Each officer or partner of an agency shall qualify under s. RL 31.02 (1) at all times. This subsection does not apply to a change of registered agent by a foreign corporation holding an agency license, but a copy of any statement required under s. 180.10, Stats., to be filed with the secretary of state shall be filed with the department within 30 days after a change of registered agent.

History: Cr. Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 11-1-88.

RL 32.08 Termination of private detective agency business. An agency which terminates its business shall notify and surrender the agency license to the department within 30 days after termination.

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