

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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IN THE MATTER OF RULE-MAKING : PROPOSED ORDER OF THE  
PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY  
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND : AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES : (CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 13-030)

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PROPOSED ORDER

An order of the Department of Safety and Professional Services to amend s. SPS 132.05 (1), related to biennial renewal dates.

Analysis prepared by the Department of Safety and Professional Services.

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ANALYSIS

**Statutes interpreted:**

440.08 (2) (a) 38g.

**Statutory authority:**

ss. 227.11 (2) (a) and 440.03 (7m), Stats.

**Explanation of agency authority:**

The Department is empowered to promulgate rules interpreting the provision of any statute it enforces or administers pursuant to s. 227.11 (2) (a), Stats. The Department is further authorized by s. 440.03 (7m), Stats., to establish rules regarding credential renewal. Section 440.08 (2) 38g., Stats., is administered by the Department and sets forth the renewal period and fee for home inspectors. Therefore the Department is authorized both generally and specifically to promulgate these proposed rules.

**Related statute or rule:**

None.

**Plain language analysis:**

The sole purpose of this proposed rule is to correct an inconsistency regarding the renewal date for home inspectors. Currently, s.. SPS 132.05 (1) states the renewal date

for home inspectors is January 1, of each odd-numbered year. Section 440.08 (2) (a) 38g., Stats., states that the renewal date is December 15 of each even-numbered year. The statute is controlling. Therefore, the proposed rule seeks to correct s. SPS 132.05 (1) to reflect the correct date. There are no new policies proposed by the rule.

**Summary of, and comparison with, existing or proposed federal regulation:**

None.

**Comparison with rules in adjacent states:**

**Illinois:** Home inspectors in Illinois may renew their license for a period of 2 years following the expiration date of their original license. 68 Ill. Adm. Code 1410.140 (2012).

**Iowa:** An internet search revealed no statutes or regulations regarding home inspectors in Iowa.

**Michigan:** There are no specific renewal dates for home inspectors in Michigan.

**Minnesota:** An internet search revealed no statutes or regulations regarding home inspectors in Minnesota.

**Summary of factual data and analytical methodologies:**

None.

**Analysis and supporting documents used to determine effect on small business or in preparation of economic impact analysis:**

This rule will not have any effect on small businesses.

**Fiscal Estimate and Economic Impact Analysis:**

The Fiscal Estimate and Economic Impact Analysis are attached.

**Effect on small business:**

These proposed rules do not have an economic impact on small businesses, as defined in s. 227.114 (1), Stats. The Department's Regulatory Review Coordinator may be contacted by email at [Greg.Gasper@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Greg.Gasper@wisconsin.gov) or by calling (608) 266-8608.

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**Place where comments are to be submitted and deadline for submission:**

Comments may be submitted to Shawn Leatherwood, Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Policy Development, 1400 East Washington Avenue, Room 151, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935, or by email to Shancethea.leatherwood@wisconsin.gov. Comments must be received on or before May 23, 2013 to be included in the record of rule-making proceedings.

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TEXT OF RULE

SECTION 1. SPS 132.05 (1) is amended to read:

SPS 132.05 (1) Except as provided in s. SPS 132.04, to renew a home inspector registration a registrant shall, by ~~January 1 of each odd-numbered year~~ December 15 of each even-numbered year following initial registration, provide all of the following to the department:

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. The rules adopted in this order shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin administrative register, pursuant to s. 227.22 (2) (intro.), Stats.

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(END OF TEXT OF RULE)  
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Secretary

Department of Safety and Professional Services