## HEARING AID DEALERS AND FITTERS

## Chapter Had 2

## TRAINEES

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(2) A trainee permit issued by the board entitles the trainee to practice fitting hearing aids, make ear impressions and make measurements of human hearing, for the purpose of fitting hearing aids, for a period of one year and only while under the direct supervision of a dealer and fitter who holds a license issued under chapter 459 of the Wisconsin Statutes. The licensee is responsible for the trainee's negligent acts and omissions in the fitting of hearing aids. In order to exercise direct supervision, the sponsoring licensee must be physically present when the trainee makes ear impressions or measurements of human hearing, for the purpose of fitting or selling a hearing aid, or fits or sells a hearing aid.

(3) A trainee permit may be renewed or regranted only once and then only when the trainee shows sufficient cause for not having completed the requirements for a permanent license. Sufficient cause means illness or other incapacity or hardship.

(4) Effective April 1, 1975, only one trainee at a time may hold a trainee permit to practice fitting of hearing aids under the supervision of a given licensee except that a trainee permit outstanding on the effective date of this subsection will not be cancelled or revoked by reason of this subsection.

(5) A trainee permit will be revoked by the board upon receipt of written notice, signed by the trainee's supervising licensee, stating that the licensee wishes to cease supervising such trainee.

(6) The board will have on hand and available at all times a bibliography of materials relating to the selling and fitting of hearing aids. Each applicant for a license will be expected to have knowledge of the information contained in the materials.

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