

| <b>Agency, Board or Commission</b> |  | <b>Board of the Nova Scotia College of Optometrists</b>  |
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| <b>1</b>                           | <b>Statute</b>                                       | Optometry Act, C. 43 of the Acts of 2005, proclaimed to come into force April 1, 2006 (formerly known as the Board of Examiners in Optometry)  |
| <b>2</b>                           | <b>Purpose</b>                                       | To regulate the practice of optometry in the Province and govern optometrists in accordance with this Act, the by-laws and the regulations.  |
| <b>3</b>                           | <b>Functions</b>                                     | To establish, develop and maintain standards of qualifications for the practice of optometrists; establish and maintain a register of opticians and issue licences to those opticians entitled to practice; establish and maintain a register of professional corporations and issue permits to those professional corporations entitled to engage in the practice of optometry.   |
| <b>4</b>                           | <b>Composition</b>                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Minimum of 5 optometrists elected by optometrists in accordance with the by-laws of the College; and</li> <li>- 2 persons appointed by the Governor in Council; all of whom are persons who: (1) are not employed in the public service of the Province; (2) are neither optometrists nor persons registered under any other Act governing another health care profession; (3) have no personal, financial or other interest in the practice of optometry or a related health profession that could be a conflict of interest.</li> </ul> |
| <b>5</b>                           | <b>Formal Qualifications</b>                         | There will be 5 optometrists elected by optometrists.  |
| <b>6</b>                           | <b>Work &amp; Experience Requirements</b>            |  |
| <b>7</b>                           | <b>Skills Required</b>                               | There will be 5 optometrists elected by optometrists.  |
| <b>8</b>                           | <b>Statutory/Traditional Nomination Requirements</b> | The 7 members shall be persons who: (1) are not employed in the public service of the Province; (2) are neither optometrists nor persons registered under any other Act governing another health care profession; (3) have no personal, financial or other interest in the practice of optometry or a related health profession that could be a conflict of interest.  |
| <b>9</b>                           | <b>Term of Appointment</b>                           | three year terms (may be reappointed but not for more than 3 consecutive terms)  |
| <b>10</b>                          | <b>Remuneration</b>                                  |  |
| <b>11</b>                          | <b>Anticipated Time Commitments</b>                  |  |
| <b>12</b>                          | <b>Other Notes</b>                                   |  |