<u>3796:4-1-08</u> <u>Testing laboratory certificate of operation renewal.</u>

- (A) Every testing laboratory certificate of operation issued by the department under this chapter shall expire annually on the date it was issued. A renewal application for a testing laboratory, accompanied by the proper renewal fee established under rule 3796:5-1-01 of the Administrative Code, shall be filed with the department at least thirty days prior to the expiration date of the certificate of operation.
- (B) The department shall grant a renewal application if the application is filed in a timely manner, the testing laboratory submits the corresponding renewal fee, the department confirms that nothing warrants the denial of the renewal under rule 3796:5-6-01 of the Administrative Code, and the testing laboratory passes a full inspection, unless a full inspection was passed within three months before the renewal date.
- (C) If a renewal application is not filed prior to the expiration date of the certificate of operation, the certificate of operation shall be suspended for a maximum of thirty days, at which point it will be deemed expired if the testing laboratory has not successfully renewed the certificate of operation under paragraph (B) of this rule. Upon expiration of the certificate of operation, the testing laboratory shall not engage in any testing activities in furtherance of the business of the testing of medical marijuana. The department shall not renew the certificate of operation and the facility shall permanently cease its operations.
- (D) If a testing laboratory fails to achieve accreditation to the ISO/IEC 17025 "General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories" standard within two years of the issuance of a provisional license, the certificate of operation may not be renewed, at the discretion of the department. If a testing laboratory fails to maintain accreditation to the ISO/IEC 17025 "General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories" standard, including suspension by the accrediting body or failure on the part of the laboratory to renew accreditation, the certificate of operation may not be renewed, at the discretion of the department.

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