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# INTERPRETERS FOR THE DEAF AND HARD-OF-HEARING

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## NOTICE REGARDING NEW RULES May - 2009

New rules governing the licensure and regulation of Interpreters for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing took effect on May 9, 2009 and include the following changes:

- The Disclosure Statement now is required to be filed only with the initial license application and in the event that the information it contains changes. You no longer need to file it at the time of renewal.

This means that you will be able to submit your renewal application online:

<http://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/interpreters/renew.html>

- You are no longer required to provide a copy of the Disclosure Statement more than once to an individual, provider or institution, unless or until its content changes. It is no longer necessary to provide a copy each time you render a service.
- Pursuant to an earlier statutory change, an applicant for a Limited Interpreter / Limited Deaf Interpreter license may meet the academic requirement by attaining a score of at least 3.5 on the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment ("EIPA").
- Pursuant to an earlier statutory change, the Continuing Education requirement for annual (June 30<sup>th</sup>) renewal of Limited Interpreter / Limited Deaf Interpreter licenses has been increased from 15 to 20 clock hours.

Please visit the following website for a complete copy of the current rules:

<http://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/interpreters/laws.htm>

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