

UPDATED:

Texas License Changes for Medical Radiologic Technologists and Limited Technologists & Registration of Non-Certified Technicians

What you need to know now!

- The State agency overseeing your X-ray License or Permit moved from TDSHS to the Texas Medical Board (TMB) because of Senate Bill 202
- Includes General MRT licenses and LMRT licenses
- Registration/renewals at TMB for existing licenses began January, 2016

What you need to do

If your current license was up for renewal in December of 2015, January or February of 2016

- Before March 31, 2016 complete your registration (including fingerprint results) with the TMB.
- No further date extensions will be given.
- TMB will inform you of your new renewal period after you renew once
- After you renew, your license at TMB will either renew biannually in February or August
- The renewal fees may be prorated depending on whether your first TMB license period is shorter or longer than 24 months

If your current license expires after February of 2016 and you are an MRT or LMRT

- Your existing renewal date will be honored, but you renew through TMB
- TMB will inform you of your new renewal period after you renew once
- After you renew on your scheduled renewal date, your license at TMB will either renew biannually in February or August
- The renewal fees may be prorated depending on whether your first TMB license period is shorter or longer than 24 months
- You'd be wise to go to the TMB website and look yourself up. Hundreds of licenses haven't transferred over due to incomplete information (DOB or SS#). If you are on this list they are sending requests for information to your last recorded address. You might not get that if you've moved.

Fingerprinting?

- **Yes, everyone that renews** their license or registration must be **fingerprinted** for a criminal history run through both the DPS and the FBI
- The fingerprinting can **only** be done by a MorphoTrust USA at one of their Identogo locations
- No other fingerprinting will be allowed
- Renewal application is not complete until the criminal history results are processed, which can take 4-6 weeks. Some have taken even longer due to unacceptable fingerprint analysis results from healthcare workers who wash their hands so frequently that they crack. Rescheduling fingerprinting could delay your results another 4-6 weeks.
- You must schedule an appointment with Identogo. Identogo's website is <https://uenroll.identogo.com/servicecode/11G62J> or you may call 888-467-2080.
 - You must have a six digit ID # to schedule an appointment
 - TMB will send that number to you after the transition to TMB is complete
 - If your renewal date is coming up December 2015, January 2016 or February 2016, you may use code "777777" if you would like to begin the fingerprint process prior to January 2016
 - There is more detailed information on who and how you can be fingerprinted on the TMB website at <http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/Renewal-Full-MRT>.
 - There is only one alternate hard copy method of fingerprinting accepted for people who live outside of Texas through MorphoTrust USA
 - As of 10/01/15 the fingerprinting fee is \$41.25
- **Occupation Rules**
 - Current rules for the x-ray licensure programs will continue to be in effect until amended by TMB, as directed by S.B. 202.
 - Continue checking the TMB website listed above for updates.
- **Non-Certified Technicians**
 - NCT registration from TDSHS is moving to the TMB by January 4, 2016. Rules for registering can be found at this link: <http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/renewal-nc-radiological-technicians>.
 - All permits will expire on June 30.