

Anesthesia Rule Revisions – Summary of Dentist Rule Requirements

Requirements	No Permit	Minimal Sedation Permit	Moderate Sedation Permit	Deep Sedation / General Anesthesia Permit
Training/Qualifications	Dentist may administer local anesthesia, analgesia, medications for the relief of anxiety and nitrous oxide under their regular license. No additional permit is required	At least 16 hours of training, meet the criteria of a successive permit or have completed a specialty residency	At least 60 hours of training and 20 cases or have completed a specialty residency	Completion of a residency program in general anesthesia or an acceptable post-doctoral training program
Life support certifications - BLS	✓	✓	✓	✓
Life support certifications – ACLS or PALS, as appropriate to the practice			✓	✓
Permit Renewal Timeframe	--	5 years or upon lapse in dental license	5 years or upon lapse in dental license	5 years or upon lapse in dental license
Facilities/Equipment				
On Site Inspection of equipment, records and techniques (within 90 days of temporary permit), fees may apply			✓	✓
Inhalation equipment safety and backup systems as applicable	✓	✓	✓	✓
Emergency equipment including an AED		✓	✓	✓
Equipment to monitor vital signs, including pulse oximeter and blood pressure cuff		✓	✓	✓
Back up suction and lighting, ability to gain parenteral access and electrocardiograph (if clinically indicated) <i>Note: facility requirements apply if anesthesia level provided on site by another practitioner</i>			✓	✓
Electrocardiograph, end-tidal CO ₂ monitor (if indicated), additional emergency equipment <i>Note: facility requirements apply if anesthesia level provided on site by another practitioner</i>				✓
Documentation				
Documentation of medical history, including patient's weight (additional requirements vary)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Physical examination required			✓	✓
Informed consent required		✓	✓	✓

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Documentation of dental procedure(s)		✓	✓	✓
Anesthesia record required, including condition of patient at discharge		✓	✓	✓
Expanded anesthesia record documentation, including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Time anesthesia began/ended – Every 5 minutes: heart rate, blood pressure – Every 15 minutes: SA02, respiratory rate, ECG if indicated and ventilation status 			✓	✓
Monitoring				
Personnel required for monitoring		Dentist +1	Dentist +1	Dentist +2, one supporting must have experience in monitoring / documentation
Monitoring of heart rate and respiratory status		✓	✓	✓
Monitoring of oxygen saturation		If clinically indicated	✓	✓
Monitoring of blood pressure		Pre and post procedure	At least every 5 minutes	At least every 5 minutes
Monitoring of level of anesthesia		✓	✓	✓
Monitoring of electrocardiograph			If clinically indicated	✓
Monitoring of end-tidal CO ₂ if indicated				✓
Discharge authorization				Authorization from anesthesia provider required
Reporting				
Morbidity/mortality within 15 days of incident	✓	✓	✓	✓

Note: This is a summary of some of the highlights of the rule and not a comprehensive list of all requirements. Please review the rule directly to ensure compliance with all requirements, as applicable to your practice.

Dental Hygienists

Dental hygienists with appropriate training may obtain licenses for the administration of local anesthesia under the indirect supervision of a dentist, pursuant to last year's SB09-129. Permits are valid so long as the hygienist maintains an active hygiene license.