

Rules Pertaining to Radiologic Technology Licensure, 17 CAR Pt. 49 can be found at <https://codeofarrules.arkansas.gov/>

1. Do I need an Arkansas license to use ionizing radiation on people?

Yes. Arkansas rules say you can't use ionizing radiation or give radiopharmaceuticals to anyone unless you have a valid Arkansas radiologic technology license or you're officially exempt.

2. What kinds of radiologic technology licenses does Arkansas offer?

Arkansas has several options:

- Radiologic Technologist
- Nuclear Medicine Technologist
- Radiation Therapy Technologist
- Cardiac Electrophysiology Specialist
- Invasive Cardiovascular Specialist
- Limited Licensed Technologist
- There used to be a Grandfather Provision License too, but that stopped in 2000

3. What do I need to get licensed in Arkansas?

To get a license, you must:

- Fill out the application and pay the fee
- Be at least 18
- Have good moral character
- Have a high school diploma or GED
- If you want to be a Radiologic Technologist, Radiation Therapist, or Nuclear Medicine Technologist, you need to finish an approved program. Limited Licensed Technologists have to pass the ARRT Limited Scope exam. Specialty licenses require extra credentials.

4. What is a temporary license?

A temporary license is for people who:

- Are training on the job while supervised and getting ready for the Limited Scope exam
- Just graduated from an accredited radiologic program and are eligible to take the ARRT or NMTCB exams

5. How long does a temporary license last?

It lasts 6 months. If you don't pass your exam in that time, you can renew it once more for another 6 months. One year is the maximum.

6. How do I switch my temporary license to a full license?

Once you pass your ARRT or NMTCB exam, you can fax your proof to 501-661-2849 or email it to radiation.administration@arkansas.gov.

7. What is a Limited License?

A Limited License means you passed certain parts of the Limited Scope exam (like Chest, Extremities, Skull/Sinus, Spine, or Podiatry). You can only do X-ray exams in the areas you passed. You *cannot* do abdominal, pelvis/hips, ribs/sternum, fluoroscopy, or contrast studies.

8. How do I take the Limited Scope exam?

You turn in a completed LSE application. After it's processed, you'll get an email telling you how to pay ARRT and how to schedule your exam.

9. Where do I take the Limited Scope exam?

At Pearson VUE testing centers. You can find locations on their website. <https://www.pearsonvue.com/us/en/test-takers/test-centers.html>

10. How much does the license fee cost?

- One category/modality: \$45
- More than one category/modality: \$65

11. Can I pay with a credit card?

Yes—but only for renewal fees. You pay online using your renewal ID and verification code. After paying, you must email or fax your renewal form and payment receipt. If you don't, your renewal will be delayed.

12. How do I renew my license?

Renewal invoices are mailed about 6–8 weeks before your license expires. If you don't get one, you should call or email the office because it's your responsibility to renew on time.

13. How many continuing education hours do I need?

You need 6 hours of continuing education every year. Some topics include radiation protection, equipment operation, patient care, image production, and radiopharmaceuticals.

14. I renewed online but still haven't gotten my license. What now?

They mail receipts within 4–6 weeks. The online system usually updates in 24–48 hours after your renewal form and payment are both processed. If you still haven't received your license, contact the office.

15. My license expired. Is there a late fee?

Yes. Licenses expire on the 30th of each month (except for February, which is the 28th). If it's late, you pay a penalty that's 50% of the license fee. You can't get that fee refunded.

16. How do I change my address?

You need to tell the Radiologic Technology Program as soon as possible if you change your phone number, address, or email. You can contact them by phone, fax, email, or regular mail.

17. Radiologic Technology Program Forms can be found at the website below.

<https://healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/licensing-military-member-licensure-permits-plan-reviews/radioactive-technology-licensure-program/forms-radiologic-technology-licensure/>