

SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS  
TITLE 40 – PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS  
CHAPTER 1 AND CHAPTER 23

**SECTION 40-1-30. Authorization to practice.**

It is unlawful for a person to engage in a profession or occupation regulated by a board or commission administered by the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation without holding a valid authorization to practice as required by the statute or regulation. An authorization to practice issued pursuant to this title is valid for up to two years and is renewable on renewal dates as established by the Director of Labor, Licensing and Regulation with consent of each applicable board.

**SECTION 40-23-200. Unauthorized practice; misdemeanor.**

A person who practices or offers to practice in this State in violation of this chapter or a regulation promulgated under this chapter or who knowingly submits false information for the purpose of obtaining a license is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be imprisoned not more than one year or fined not more than one thousand dollars, or both.

**SECTION 40-23-250. License as prerequisite to practice or offer to practice.**

No person may practice or offer to practice any licensed activity regulated by this chapter or use any advertisement, business card, or letterhead or make any other verbal or written communication asserting or suggesting that the person is available to engage in any licensed activity or acquiesce in such a representation unless that person has fully complied with this chapter and holds a current license issued by the board authorizing the person to perform the activity.