

**TITLE 245 CHAPTER 15.**  
**LICENSURE AND PRACTICE OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS**

**SUBCHAPTER 21. CORNER PERPETUATION AND FILING ACT REQUIREMENTS**

**245:15-21-1. Purpose**

The purpose of the Corner Perpetuation and Filing Act, 65 O.S. Sections 3.116- 3.123 is to protect and perpetuate public land survey corners and information concerning the location of such corners, by requiring the systematic establishment of monuments and filing of information concerning the marking of the location of such public land survey corners. The Archives and Records Division of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries serves as the registry for Certified Corner Records. Certified Corner Records may be filed directly with the Archives and Records Division of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries or with a Board-approved vendor, which may accept digital Certified Corner Records from licensees and shall submit them on behalf of the licensee to the Archives and Records Division of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries. The Board is charged, by law, with the responsibility to prescribe the information to be included, to prescribe the form in which such Certified Corner Records shall be presented and filed, and to enforce the provisions of the Act.

**245:15-21-2. Recordation of corners**

- (a) Each Certified Corner Record shall be prepared on the Certified Corner Record Form adopted by the Board in accordance with the Instruction Manual for Oklahoma Certified Corner Records adopted by the Board.
- (b) The Professional Land Surveyor shall complete and file a Certified Corner Record for every public land survey corner which is established, reestablished, monumented, remonumented, restored, rehabilitated, perpetuated, or used as control in any survey. In addition, the center one quarter corner shall be filed if it is monumented or an existing monument is accepted. The completed Certified Corner Record shall be filed within ninety (90) days after the survey is completed, unless the public land survey corner and accessories are substantially as described in an existing, filed Certified Corner Record. The Board shall consider a survey complete when any one of the following occurs:
- (1) Monuments have been established; or
  - (2) A plat or drawing has been submitted; or
  - (3) Field notes for plans or planned purposed have been submitted.

**245:15-21-3. Specifications for Certified Corner Records**

The Board has established the following specifications for Certified Corner Records, which are also included in the Instruction Manual for Certified Corner Records adopted by the Board: Each Certified Corner Record shall be signed, sealed and dated in the manner prescribed by Title 59, O.S. Section 475.15 and OAC 245:15-17-2.

- (1) Each Certified Corner Record shall be complete, accurate and contain the following information:
  - (A) Classification as either an existent, obliterated or lost corner, as defined by the current Manual of Surveying Instructions published by the United States Bureau of Land Management; and
  - (B) Corner identity; and
  - (C) Description of the original monument, accessories, and any subsequent restoration by the United States government; and
  - (D) Monument description when the corner monument is found and a listing of sufficient supporting evidence; or monument description when the monument is set, the method used if the corner is classified as lost, and a listing of sufficient evidence to support the position if the corner is obliterated; and
  - (E) Description of, and angular and linear measurements to, at least three (3) readily identifiable and permanent accessories; and

- (F) A legible sketch showing the relative positions of the monument, the accessories, streets, any conflicting monuments and other identifying features, including a north arrow; and
- (G) Oklahoma state plane coordinates (if determined); and
- (H) Professional Land Surveyor's certificate.

**245:15-21-4. Remonumentation of corners**

In every case where a Certified Corner Record of a public land survey corner is required to be filed or recorded, the Professional Land Surveyor shall reconstruct or rehabilitate the monument of such corner, and accessories to such corner, so that it will be as permanent a monument as is reasonably possible to provide and so that it may be located with facility in the future.

**245:15-21-5. Availability of records**

The Department of Libraries shall make the copies of the Certified Corner Records available for public inspection during usual office hours and true scale copies thereof shall be made available for a reasonable fee.

**245:15-21-6. Penalties**

The Board shall have the power to reprimand, place on probation, fine, revoke or suspend the Certificate of Licensure or Certificate of Authorization of any licensee or firm who fails to comply with any provision of 65 O.S. or the Rules of the Board.