

102-1-4. Examinations.

(a) Prior to the issuance of a license, each applicant for licensure shall have passed an examination. The pass criterion score shall be 70 percent correct. Each applicant shall be notified of the results in writing.

(b) The standard examination shall be a written examination. A written examination may be waived and an oral examination procedure substituted when:

(1) A license has been revoked or suspended and re-licensure is requested; or

(2) an applicant is unable to take the written examination because one or more physical handicaps preclude completion of the written examination, or may severely affect the applicant's performance.

(c) For oral examinations, the board may contract collectively or individually with a panel of licensed psychologists to conduct the oral examination and make recommendations to the board, based on the performance evaluation of the applicant.

(d) Oral examinations shall include assessment of:

(1) Effectiveness and clarity of expression;

(2) knowledge and skills in the area in which the applicant is otherwise qualified to offer psychological services;

(3) knowledge and awareness of ethical issues and problems in the professional area of emphasis and for psychologists in general; and

(4) knowledge of general psychology.

(e) All oral examinations shall be recorded verbatim.

(f) The pass or fail decision shall be based on a review of the recommendation of the oral examining panel and review of the verbatim recordings, when necessary.

(g) Any applicant, other than an applicant for reinstatement of a revoked or suspended license, may be exempt from taking the written examination if:

(1) The applicant successfully passed the written portion of an examination taken in another jurisdiction at a level equal to or greater than the criterion pass score; or

(2) the applicant:

(A) Has been continuously licensed or certified at the doctoral level since implementation of, or under the grand-fathering provisions of, the certification or licensure law in the applicant's state;

(B) has been employed as a psychologist fulltime at least for five years; and

(C) has never taken the examination.

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