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Cosmetologists

There are no cosmetology licenses offered in Alaska.

Authority: AS 08.13.220. Definitions

Hairdresser

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in hairdressing shall obtain a license in compliance with the Alaska Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicants must have successfully completed all courses that a school with a curriculum in hairdressing approved by the board;
• Applicants must complete the required hours of course work in a school approved by the board;
• Applicants may acquire a license upon completing an apprenticeship;
• Applicant must pass a written exam and practical exam;
• Applicant must submit application along with required fees to the Board for approval.

Authority: AS 08.13.080. Qualifications of applicants

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicants must compete 1,650 hours of course of study;
• Applicants must complete a written and practical examination;
• Applicants must complete examinations with a score of 75 points of more.

Authority: 12 AAC 09.060 Hairdresser Exam Requirements

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. License renewal:

• Licenses are issued for a two-year period;
• However, all licenses expire August 31st of every odd-numbered year, regardless of the date of issuance, except licenses issued within 90 days of the expiration date which are issued to the next biennial expiration date.

Authority: Hairdresser Continuing Education Requirements

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Tennessee shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:
• The period of apprenticeship required to qualify an applicant for a license to practice hairdressing is 2,000 hours;
• The apprenticeship must be served in a shop approved by the board;
• The apprenticeship may not be completed in less than one year from the date of its commencement and must be completed in not more than two years from the date of its commencement.

Authority: AS 08.13.082 Apprenticeship

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:
• Payment of the fees established;
• Verification of a current license to practice barbering or hairdressing issued by another state;
• Verification of completed training and work experience equivalent to:
  o 1,650 hours of training in a school approved by the board or another licensing jurisdiction;
  o 2,000 hours of an apprenticeship program approved by the board or by another licensing jurisdiction;
  o at least one year of full-time work experience as a licensed barber or hairdresser, averaging no less than 32 hours per week, and a minimum of 1,500 hours of training in an approved school or an apprenticeship program approved by the board or by another licensing jurisdiction; or
  o at least two years of full-time work experience as a licensed barber or hairdresser, averaging no less than 32 hours per week, and a minimum of 1,000 hours of training in an approved school or an apprenticeship program approved by the board or by another licensing jurisdiction; and
• Documents verifying that a state in which the applicant was licensed as a barber or hairdresser required the applicant to pass a practical and written examination to qualify for licensure;
• An applicant unable to satisfy the requirements of this section due to lack of equivalency may obtain the needed hours of training and experience through attendance at an approved school or participation in an apprenticeship.

Authority: 12 AAC 09.095 Barber or Hairdresser license by waiver

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicants must submit the documents and fees required;
• Applicants must submit verification of a current license to practice as a barber, hairdresser, manicurist, or esthetician in this state;
• Applicant must submit verification of at least;
• (A) three years of practice as a licensed barber, hairdresser, esthetician, or manicurist in this state or another jurisdiction; or
• (B) one year of practice as a licensed barber, hairdresser, esthetician, or manicurist in this state or another jurisdiction followed by 600 hours of student instructor training in a school approved by the board or another licensing jurisdiction;
Applicant must pass the written examination and practical examination.

Authority: 12 AAC 09.106 Instructor license requirements

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Alaska Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicants must have successfully completed all courses that a school with a curriculum in hairdressing approved by the board is required to teach to be licensed under AS 08.13.110 if applying for a license to practice Barbering;
- Applicants must complete the required hours of course work in a school approved by the board or another licensing jurisdiction;
- Applicants may acquire a license upon completing 2,000 hours as an apprentice;
- Applicant must pass a written exam and practical exam;
- Applicant must submit application along with required fees to the Board for approval.

Authority: AS 08.13.080. Qualifications of applicants

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 1,650 hours of course study;
- Applicants must complete a written and practical examination;
- Applicants must complete examinations with a score of 75 points of more.

Authority: 12 AAC 09.056 Barber Exam Requirements

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. License renewal:

- Licenses are issued for a two-year period;
- However, all licenses expire August 31st of every odd-numbered year, regardless of the date of issuance, except licenses issued within 90 days of the expiration date which are issued to the next biennial expiration date

Authority: Barber Continuing Education Requirements

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Tennessee shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- The period of apprenticeship required to qualify an applicant for a license to practice Barbering is 2,000 hours.
- The apprenticeship must be served in a shop approved by the board.
The apprenticeship may not be completed in less than one year from the date of its commencement and must be completed in not more than two years from the date of its commencement.

Authority: AS 08.13.082 Apprenticeship

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Payment of the fees established in 12 AAC 02.140;
- Verification of a current license to practice barbering or hairdressing issued by another state;
- Verification of completed training and work experience equivalent to
  - 1,650 hours of training in a school approved by the board or another licensing jurisdiction;
  - 2,000 hours of an apprenticeship program approved by the board or by another licensing jurisdiction;
  - at least one year of full-time work experience as a licensed barber or hairdresser, averaging no less than 32 hours per week, and a minimum of 1,500 hours of training in an approved school or an apprenticeship program approved by the board or by another licensing jurisdiction; or
  - at least two years of full-time work experience as a licensed barber or hairdresser, averaging no less than 32 hours per week, and a minimum of 1,000 hours of training in an approved school or an apprenticeship program approved by the board or by another licensing jurisdiction; and
- Documents verifying that a state in which the applicant was licensed as a barber or hairdresser required the applicant to pass a practical and written examination to qualify for licensure;
- An applicant unable to satisfy the requirements of this section due to lack of equivalency may obtain the needed hours of training and experience through attendance at an approved school or participation in an apprenticeship.

Authority: 12 AAC 09.095 Barber or Hairdresser license by waiver

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicants must submit the documents and fees required;
- Applicants must submit verification of a current license to practice as a barber, hairdresser, manicurist, or esthetician in this state;
- Applicant must submit verification of at least;
- (A) three years of practice as a licensed barber, hairdresser, esthetician, or manicurist in this state or another jurisdiction; or
- (B) one year of practice as a licensed barber, hairdresser, esthetician, or manicurist in this state or another jurisdiction followed by 600 hours of student instructor training in a school approved by the board or another licensing jurisdiction;
- Applicant must pass the written examination;
- Applicant must pass the practical examination; a practical examination is not required for a manicurist.
Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the Alaska Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- An application for an esthetician license by examination must be submitted in accordance with 12 AAC 09.005;
- Verification of the required hours of esthetics training in an approved school or apprenticeship program;
- Combination of training and apprenticeship approved by the board or by another licensing jurisdiction.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicants must complete 350 hours of course study;
- Applicants must complete a written and practical examination;
- Applicants must complete examinations with a score of 75 points of more.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. License renewal:

- Licenses are issued for a two-year period;
- However, all licenses expire August 31st of every odd-numbered year, regardless of the date of issuance, except licenses issued within 90 days of the expiration date which are issued to the next biennial expiration date.

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Tennessee shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- The period of apprenticeship required to qualify an applicant for a license to practice esthetics is 350 hours;
- The apprenticeship must be served in a shop approved by the board;
- The apprenticeship may not be completed in less than six months from the date of its commencement and must be completed in not more than one year from the date of its commencement.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

An applicant for an esthetician license by waiver of examination must apply on a form provided by the department. The application must include:

- payment of the applicable fees established in 12 AAC 02.140;
- verification of a current license to practice as an esthetician issued by another state;
- verification of training equivalent to that described in 12 AAC 09.100; and
- Documents verifying that a state in which the applicant was licensed as an esthetician required the applicant to pass a practical and written examination to qualify for licensure.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicants must submit the documents and fees required;
- Applicants must submit verification of a current license to practice as a barber, hairdresser, manicurist, or esthetician in this state;
- Applicant must submit verification of at least three years of practice as a licensed barber, hairdresser, esthetician, or manicurist in this state or another jurisdiction; or
- one year of practice as a licensed barber, hairdresser, esthetician, or manicurist in this state or another jurisdiction followed by 600 hours of student instructor training in a school approved by the board or another licensing jurisdiction;
- Applicant must pass the written examination;
- Applicant must pass the practical examination; a practical examination is not required for a manicurist.

Nail Technicians/Manicurist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Alaska Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- An application for a nail technician license by examination must be submitted in accordance with 12 AAC 09.005, with verification of
- the required hours of manicuring training in a school approved by the board or by another licensing jurisdiction; or
- 300 hours of manicuring training in an apprenticeship program approved by the board.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 250 hours of course study;
• Applicants must complete a written examination;
• Applicants must complete examinations with a score of 75 points of more.

Authority: 12 AAC 09.066 Nail Technician Exam Requirements

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. License renewal:
• Licenses are issued for a two-year period;
• However, all licenses expire August 31st of every odd-numbered year, regardless of the date of issuance, except licenses issued within 90 days of the expiration date which are issued to the next biennial expiration date.

Authority: Nail Technician Continuing Education Requirements

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Tennessee shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:
• The period of apprenticeship required to qualify an applicant for a license to practice esthetics is 300 hours;
• The apprenticeship must be served in a shop approved by the board;
• The apprenticeship may not be completed in less than six months from the date of its commencement and must be completed in not more than one year from the date of its commencement.

Authority: 12 AAC 09.108 Nail Technician license by examination

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

An applicant for a nail technician license by waiver of examination must apply on a form provided by the department. The application must include:
• Payment of the applicable fees established in 12 AAC 02.140;
• Verification of a current license to practice as a nail technician issued by another state;
• Verification of training equivalent to that described in 12 AAC 09.148, or verification of at least 300 hours of training in an apprenticeship program approved by the board; and
• Documents verifying that a state in which the applicant was licensed as a nail technician required the applicant to pass a written examination to qualify for licensure.

Authority: 12 AAC 09.109 Nail Technician license by waiver

Instructors

• Applicants must submit verification of a current license to practice as a manicurist;
• Applicant must submit verification of at least three years of practice as a licensed manicurist in this state or another jurisdiction; or
One year of practice as a licensed manicurist in this state or another jurisdiction followed by 600 hours of student instructor training in a school approved by the board or another licensing jurisdiction;

- Applicant must pass the written examination;
- Applicants must submit the documents and fees required.

**Authority:** [12 AAC 09.106 Instructor license requirements](#)

### Make-up Artists

Make-up artists are licensed under Esthetics.

**Authority:** [AS 08.13.220. Definitions](#)

### Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Alaska does license mobile units for barbering, hairdressing, manicuring, and esthetics. In order to be licensed the following must be submitted to the Board:

- The physical location where the unit will be parked when not in service;
- A statement detailing the type of services to be provided;
- The name and residence of the unit’s owner;
- The documentation of health and safety code; and
- Payment of the applicable fees.

**Authority:** [12 AAC 09.111 Mobile Shops](#)

### High School Cosmetology Programs

Alaska does have high school cosmetology programs available. Students must complete at least 1,650 course hours.

**Authority:** [High School Cosmetology Program Requirements](#)

### Additional Professions Licensed

- Body Piercing
- Massage Therapy
- Permanent Cosmetic Coloring
- Tattoo
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Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any person wishing to become a licensed cosmetologist must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a citizen of the U.S. or, if not a citizen, a person who is legally present in the U.S. with appropriate documentation from the Federal Government;
- Applicant is at least 16 years old;
- Applicant has successfully completed at least 10 grades in secondary school, or the equivalent;
- Applicant must have successfully completed the required clock hours in a licensed or registered school of cosmetology or on courses reported in credit hours;
- Any applicant who pays the applicable examination fee, successfully completes the applicable examination, and pays the license fee shall be issued a cosmetologist license.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-18

Examination Requirements

In order to take the examination, each applicant must complete the following:

- Complete all legal requirements;
- Complete 1,500 required hours;
- Submit appropriate examination fees.

Examination of an applicant for licensure shall be conducted pursuant to a procedure sanctioned by the board consistent with the prescribed curriculum for schools. An exam will have both a theory and a practical section. A grade of at least 70% is required to pass licensure examinations.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-7 – AL Rule 250-X-6-01

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Alabama.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-18

Apprenticeship Programs

Any individual who wishes to become an apprentice must satisfy the following qualifications:

- Is at least 16 years of age;
- Has successfully completed at least 10th grade or equivalent;
- Has paid the applicable registration fee;
• Before an apprentice begins work under this chapter, the sponsor, on behalf of a potential apprentice, shall request and obtain an apprenticeship work permit from the board;
• An apprentice may train in a licensed shop under a current licensee who has been licensed for at least five years in the appropriate field;
• If an apprentice does not receive his or her license within two years after certification of completion of training, the board may require the apprentice to complete additional hours of training before applying or reapplying for licensure;
• Cosmetology apprentices must complete 3,000 clock hours within 3 years.

*Authority:* [AL § 34-7B-16](#)

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to receive reciprocity in Alabama individual applicant must:

- Request that certification from their current state be sent to the Boards office. This must be sent directly from their current state to the Boards office in the state they wish to apply to;
- Once certification is received, the appropriate paperwork will be sent and notification will be given of any exams that need to be taken;
- There is a minimum $100 fee for this service.

*Authority:* [AL Board of Cosmetology](#)

### Instructors

Any person who wishes to be admitted to an examination or obtain an instructors license must meet the following requirements:

- Has completed at least 12 grades in secondary school, or equivalent;
- Holds a valid license in the applicable area of practice;
- Satisfies either of the following requirements:
  - Has successfully completed at least 1,500 hours in a teacher’s training course at a licensed school;
  - Has completed at least one year of active experience in a shop plus 650 hours at a licensed school.

Any applicant who satisfies these qualifications, pays the applicable examination fee, successfully completes the applicable examination, and pays the license fee shall be issued an instructor license for the applicable area of practice.

*Authority:* [AL § 34-7B-24](#)
Hair Stylists

Licensing Requirements

Any person wishing to become a licensed hair stylist must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a citizen of the U.S. or, if not a citizen, a person who is legally present in the U.S. with appropriate documentation from the Federal Government;
- Applicant must be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant must have successfully completed at least 10 grades in secondary school, or the equivalent;
- Applicant must have successfully completed the required clock hours of natural hair style instruction in a licensed school.

Any applicant who satisfies these qualifications, pays the applicable examination fee, successfully completes any examination, and pays the license fee shall be issued a natural hair stylist license.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-20

Exam Requirements

In order to be eligible to take the examination, an applicant must:

- Complete all legal requirements;
- Competes 210 required hours;
- Submit appropriate examination fees.

Examination of an applicant for licensure shall be conducted pursuant to a procedure sanctioned by the board consistent with the prescribed curriculum for schools. An exam will have both a theory and a practical section. A grade of at least 70% is required to pass licensure examinations.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-7 – AL Rule 250-X-6.01

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Alabama.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-18

Apprenticeship Programs

Any individual who wishes to become an apprentice must satisfy the following qualifications:

- Must be at least 16 years of age;
- Has successfully completed at least 10th grade or equivalent;
- Has paid the applicable registration fee;
Before an apprentice begins work under this chapter, the sponsor, on behalf of a potential apprentice, shall request and obtain an apprenticeship work permit from the board;
• An apprentice may train in a licensed shop under a current licensee who has been licensed for at least 5 years in the appropriate field;
• If an apprentice does not receive his or her license within two years after certification of completion of training, the board may require the apprentice to complete additional hours of training before applying or reapplying for licensure;
• Natural Hair Stylists must complete 420 clock hours of apprentice work.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-16 – AL HB 262, Amendment § 34-7B-1

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to receive reciprocity in Alabama an individual must:
• Request that certification from their current state be sent to the Boards office. This must be sent directly from their current state to the Boards office in the state they wish to apply to;
• Once certification is received, the appropriate paperwork will be sent and notification will be given of any exams that need to be taken;
• There is a minimum $100 fee for this service.

Authority: AL Board of Cosmetology

Instructors

Any person who wishes to be admitted to an examination or obtain an instructors license must meet the following requirements:
• Has completed at least 12 grades in secondary school, or equivalent;
• Holds a valid license in the applicable area of practice;
• Satisfies either of the following requirements:
  o Has successfully completed at least 1,500 hours in a teacher’s training course at a licensed school;
  o Has completed at least one year of active experience in a shop plus 650 hours at a licensed school.

Any applicant who satisfies these qualifications, pays the applicable examination fee, successfully completes the applicable examination, and pays the license fee shall be issued an instructor license for the applicable area of practice.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-24

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any person wishing to become a licensed Class 2 Barber must meet the following requirements:
Must be a citizen of the U.S. or, if not a citizen, a person who is legally present in the U.S. with appropriate documentation from the Federal Government;  
Applicant must be at least 16 years old;  
Applicant must have successfully completed at least 10 grades in secondary school, or the equivalent;  
Applicant must have successfully completed the required clock hours in a licensed or registered school of barbering or the required clock hours under the immediate supervision of a Class 2 licensed barber, who has held a license for at least five years.

Any applicant who satisfies these qualifications, pays the applicable examination fee, successfully completes any examination, and pays the license fee shall be issued a barber license.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-17

Exam Requirements

In order to take the examination, an applicant must:

- Complete all legal requirements;
- Compete 1,000 required hours in a licensed school or 2,000 under immediate supervision of a class 2 licensed barber;
- Submit appropriate examination fees.

Examination of an applicant for licensure shall be conducted pursuant to a procedure sanctioned by the board consistent with the prescribed curriculum for schools. An exam will have both a theory and a practical section. A grade of at least 70% is required to pass licensure examinations.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-7 – AL Rule 250-X-6-01

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Alabama.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-18

Apprenticeship Programs

Any individual who wishes to become an apprentice must satisfy the following qualifications:

- Must be at least 16 years of age;
- Has successfully completed at least 10th grade or equivalent;
- Has paid the applicable registration fee;
- Before an apprentice begins work under this chapter, the sponsor, on behalf of a potential apprentice, shall request and obtain an apprenticeship work permit from the board;
- An apprentice may train in a licensed shop under a current licensee who has been licensed for at least 5 years in the appropriate field;
• If an apprentice does not receive his or her license within two years after certification of
completion of training, the board may require the apprentice to complete additional hours
of training before applying or reapplying for licensure;
• Apprentice barbers must complete 2,000 clock hours within 2 years.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-16

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to receive reciprocity in Alabama an individual must:
• Request that certification from their current state be sent to the Boards office. This must be
sent directly from their current state to the Boards office in the state they wish to apply to;
• Once certification is received, the appropriate paperwork will be sent and notification will
be given of any exams that need to be taken;
• There is a minimum $100 fee for this service.

Authority: AL Board of Cosmetology

Instructors

Any person who wishes to be admitted to an examination or obtain an instructors license must
meet the following requirements:
• Has completed at least 12 grades in secondary school, or equivalent;
• Holds a valid license in the applicable area of practice;
• Satisfies either of the following requirements:
  o Has successfully completed at least 1,500 hours in a teacher’s training course at a
    licensed school;
  o Has completed at least one year of active experience in a shop plus 650 hours at a
    licensed school.

Any applicant who satisfies these qualifications, pays the applicable examination fee, successfully
completes the applicable examination, and pays the license fee shall be issued an instructor license
for the applicable area of practice.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-24

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any person wishing to become a licensed esthetician must meet the following requirements:
• Must be a citizen of the U.S. or, if not a citizen, a person who is legally present in the U.S.
  with appropriate documentation from the Federal Government;
• Applicant is at least 16 years old;
Applicant has successfully completed at least 10 grades in secondary school, or the equivalent;
Has successfully completed the required clock hours of skin care instruction in a licensed school of esthetics or school of cosmetology or on courses reported in credit hours or complete the required hours under the immediate supervision of an esthetician continuously licensed.

Any applicant who satisfies these qualifications, pays the applicable examination fee, successfully completes any examination, and pays the license fee shall be issued a natural hair stylist license.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-19

Exam Requirements
In order to take the examination, an applicant must:
- Complete all legal requirements;
- Compete 1,000 required hours at a licensed esthetics school or 2,000 hours under immediate supervision of a licensed esthetician;
- Submit appropriate examination fees.

Examination of an applicant for licensure shall be conducted pursuant to a procedure sanctioned by the board consistent with the prescribed curriculum for schools. An exam will have both a theory and a practical section. A grade of at least 70% is required to pass licensure examinations.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-7 – AL Rule 250-X-6.01

Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements in Alabama.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-18

Apprenticeship Programs
Any individual who wishes to become an apprentice must satisfy the following qualifications:
- Must be at least 16 years of age;
- Has successfully completed at least 10th grade or equivalent;
- Has paid the applicable registration fee;
- Before an apprentice begins work under this chapter, the sponsor, on behalf of a potential apprentice, shall request and obtain an apprenticeship work permit from the board;
- An apprentice may train in a licensed shop under a current licensee who has been licensed for at least five years in the appropriate field;
- If an apprentice does not receive his or her license within two years after certification of completion of training, the board may require the apprentice to complete additional hours of training before applying or reapplying for licensure;
- Esthetician apprentices must complete 2,000 clock hours within 3 years.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-16
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
In order to receive reciprocity in Alabama an individual must:

- Applicant must request that certification from their current state be sent to the Boards office. This must be sent directly from their current state directly to the Boards office;
- Once certification is received, the appropriate paperwork will be sent and notification will be given of any exams that need to be taken;
- There is a minimum $100 fee for this service.

Authority: AL Board of Cosmetology

Instructors
Any person who wishes to be admitted to an examination or obtain an instructors license must meet the following requirements:

- Has completed at least 12 grades in secondary school, or equivalent;
- Holds a valid license in the applicable area of practice;
- Satisfies either of the following requirements:
  - Has successfully completed at least 1,500 hours in a teacher’s training course at a licensed school;
  - Has completed at least one year of active experience in a shop plus 650 hours at a licensed school.

Any applicant who satisfies these qualifications, pays the applicable examination fee, successfully completes the applicable examination, and pays the license fee shall be issued an instructor license for the applicable area of practice.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-24

Nail Technician

Licensing Requirements

Any person wishing to become a licensed nail technician must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a citizen of the U.S. or, if not a citizen, a person who is legally present in the U.S. with appropriate documentation from the Federal Government;
- Must be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant must have successfully completed at least 10 grades in secondary school, or the equivalent;
- Applicant must have successfully completed the required clock hours of manicure instruction in a licensed school.

Any applicant who satisfies these qualifications, pays the applicable examination fee, successfully completes any examination, and pays the license fee shall be issued a manicurist license.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-21
Exam Requirements

In order to take the examination, an applicant must:
- Complete all legal requirements;
- Compete 750 required hours at a licensed school;
- Submit appropriate examination fees.

Examination of an applicant for licensure shall be conducted pursuant to a procedure sanctioned by the board consistent with the prescribed curriculum for schools. An exam will have both a theory and a practical section. A grade of at least 70% is required to pass licensure examinations.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-7 – AL Rule 250-X-6-.01

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Alabama.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-18

Apprenticeship Programs

Any individual who wishes to become an apprentice must satisfy the following qualifications:
- Must be at least 16 years of age;
- Has successfully completed at least 10th grade or equivalent;
- Has paid the applicable registration fee;
- Before an apprentice begins work under this chapter, the sponsor, on behalf of a potential apprentice, shall request and obtain an apprenticeship work permit from the board;
- An apprentice may train in a licensed shop under a current licensee who has been licensed for at least 5 years in the appropriate field;
- If an apprentice does not receive his or her license within two years after certification of completion of training, the board may require the apprentice to complete additional hours of training before applying or reapplying for licensure;
- Apprentice nail technicians must complete 1,200 clock hours within 2 years.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-16

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to receive reciprocity in Alabama an individual must:
- Request that certification from their current state be sent to the Boards office. This must be sent directly from their current state to the Boards office in the state they wish to apply to;
- Once certification is received, the appropriate paperwork will be sent and notification will be given of any exams that need to be taken;
- There is a minimum $100 fee for this service.

Authority: AL Board of Cosmetology
Instructors

Any person who wishes to be admitted to an examination or obtain an instructors license must meet the following requirements:

- Has completed at least 12 grades in secondary school, or equivalent;
- Holds a valid license in the applicable area of practice;
- Satisfies either of the following requirements:
  - Has successfully completed at least 1,500 hours in a teacher's training course at a licensed school;
  - Has completed at least one year of active experience in a shop plus 650 hours at a licensed school.

Any applicant who satisfies these qualifications, pays the applicable examination fee, successfully completes the applicable examination, and pays the license fee shall be issued an instructor license for the applicable area of practice.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-24

Make-up Artists

Licensed under estheticians.

Authority: AL § 34-7B-1 (9)

Mobile Cosmetology Services

Alabama does not allow mobile cosmetology services.

Authority: AL Ch. 250-X-3

High School Cosmetology Programs

Alabama offers high school cosmetology programs through trade and vocational schools. Several classes are offered and the hours are converted into high school credit.

Authority: Cosmetology Conversion Sheet – Cosmetology Program Cluster

Additional Professions Licensed

- Eyebrow threaders
- Waxers
- Massage Therapy
- Permanent Make-up
- Tattooist
ARKANSAS

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

The Department of Health shall admit to examination for a license as a cosmetologist a person who has made the application to the department in proper form, has paid the fee required, and who:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age.
- Applicant shall have completed 2 years of high school in the public schools of Arkansas or its equivalent.
- Applicant shall complete 180 hours of theory.
- Applicant shall complete one of the following:
  o Training of at least 1,200 hours.
  o The prescribed course of study in cosmetology under the laws of another state whose licensing requirements are equal to or stricter than those in Arkansas.

Persons who pass any examination under this chapter shall receive a license from the Cosmetology Technical Advisory Committee.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Exam Requirements

Each application for admission to examination and each application for a license as a cosmetologist or any branch of cosmetology shall be in writing on blanks prepared and furnished by the Department of Health. In addition, each application shall be accompanied by the required fee and shall contain proof of the qualifications of the applicant for examination for registration and license. The application shall be verified by the oath of the applicant.

The examination of applicants for a license in any of the branches or practices of cosmetology shall include both a practical demonstration and written test and shall embrace the subjects concerning the particular branch or branches, practice, or practices for which a license is applied.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Apprenticeship Programs

Arkansas does not accept apprenticeship credit.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health
License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements

In order to receive reciprocity in Arkansas, an applicant must do the following:

- Applicant for a license as a cosmetologist is not less than 18 years of age.
- Applicant must hold a current valid license upon application for reciprocity, evidenced by a certified copy of the license and an affidavit from the other state or by such other evidence as the department may require.
- Applicant must have passed an examination comparable to the examination given in this state.
- Applicant must pass an Arkansas law examination under this chapter.

Upon application to the Department of Health in the form provided for the particular class of license applied for, accompanied by the required fee, a person licensed as a cosmetologist under the laws of another state shall be granted a license to practice cosmetology in this state not of greater scope than the occupation or occupations for which the applicant was previously licensed in the other state.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be 21 years of age or older
- Applicant shall have completed 600 hours of teacher training in a school of cosmetology over a period of not less than 4 months.
- Applicant shall have passed an instructor's examination given by the Department of Health and has received an instructor's license.
  - A licensed instructor shall not teach outside of the profession which the license allows.
  - A cosmetology school shall offer an education in cosmetology regardless of whether the curriculum includes a specialty course.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Hairstylists

Licensing Requirements

The Department of Health shall admit to examination for a license as a hairstylist a person who has made the application to the department in proper form, has paid the fee required, and who:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age.
- Applicant shall have completed 2 years of high school in the public schools of Arkansas or its equivalent.
- Applicant shall complete 180 hours of theory.
- Applicant shall complete one of the following:
- Training of at least 1,200 hours.
- The prescribed course of study in cosmetology under the laws of another state whose licensing requirements are equal to or stricter than those in Arkansas.

Persons who pass any examination under this chapter shall receive a license from the Cosmetology Technical Advisory Committee.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

### Exam Requirements

Each application for admission to examination and each application for a license as a hairstylist or any branch of cosmetology shall be in writing on blanks prepared and furnished by the Department of Health. In addition, each application shall be accompanied by the required fee and shall contain proof of the qualifications of the applicant for examination for registration and license. The application shall be verified by the oath of the applicant.

The examination of applicants for a license in any of the branches or practices of cosmetology shall include both a practical demonstration and written test and shall embrace the subjects concerning the particular branch or branches, practice, or practices for which a license is applied.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

### Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

### Apprenticeship Programs

Arkansas does not accept apprenticeship credit.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

### License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements

In order to receive reciprocity in Arkansas, an applicant must do the following:

- Applicant for a license as a cosmetologist is not less than 18 years of age.
- Applicant must hold a current valid license upon application for reciprocity, evidenced by a certified copy of the license and an affidavit from the other state or by such other evidence as the department may require.
- Applicant must have passed an examination comparable to the examination given in this state.
- Applicant must pass an Arkansas law examination under this chapter.
Upon application to the Department of Health in the form provided for the particular class of license applied for, accompanied by the required fee, a person licensed as a cosmetologist under the laws of another state shall be granted a license to practice cosmetology in this state not of greater scope than the occupation or occupations for which the applicant was previously licensed in the other state.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in hairstyling instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be 21 years of age or older
- Applicant shall have completed 600 hours of teacher training in a school of cosmetology over a period of not less than 4 months.
- Applicant shall have passed an instructor's examination given by the Department of Health and has received an instructor's license.
- Applicant shall agree not to teach outside the profession in which the license to practice allows.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any person shall be qualified to receive a certificate of registration to practice as a registered barber who:

- Is qualified under the statutes provisions.
- Is of good moral character and temperate habits.
- Applicant shall have passed a satisfactory examination conducted by the State Board of Barber Examiners to determine his or her fitness to practice barbering.
- Applicant shall present a diploma showing graduation from a grammar school or its equivalent as determined by an examination conducted by the board.
- Applicant shall be at least sixteen and one-half (16 ½) years of age.
- Applicant shall have received training approved by the appropriate licensing authorities.


Exam Requirements

Examinations shall include both a practical demonstration and a written and oral test and shall embrace the subjects usually taught in schools of barbering approved by the board. A certificate of registered barber shall be issued by the board to any applicant who shall pass a satisfactory examination making a grade of not less than 75% in all subjects upon which he or she is examined and who shall possess the qualifications required in this chapter.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for barbers in Arkansas.


Apprenticeship Programs

The board shall issue a barber technician certification provided the person has:

- Applicant shall have completed the 12th grade.
- Applicant shall have completed a sixty-day apprenticeship program under the instruction of a licensed barber and designed by the board, which shall include a thorough study of sterilization of tools and of the barber laws of the State of Arkansas.
- Applicant shall have passed an examination prepared and conducted by the board to determine the applicant’s fitness and ability to practice as a barber technician.

Any person participating in the aforementioned apprenticeship program shall be allowed to take the examination prepared by the board only upon certification by the instructing barber that the person has completed the course as designed by the board.


License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements

Arkansas does offer reciprocity. Any person recently coming into this state who has an unrevoked or unexpired license issued by the proper authorities of another state may be issued a certificate of registration as a registered barber upon making the application as required by law and upon the payment of a one hundred fifty-dollar reciprocity fee.

- Any person applying for reciprocity who has at least 1,500 hours of training may be granted registration by reciprocity upon completion of those hours and proof of licensure by the proper authorities in the state in which the person received the training.
- Any person applying for reciprocity who has fewer than 1,500 hours of training must also have been continuously engaged in the practice of barbering for at least one year in addition to providing proof of licensure in the state where the applicant received training or holds a license.


Instructors

Arkansas law requires instructors to meet the following requirements:

- Applicant shall must be a high school graduate.
- Applicant shall must have completed a postgraduate course of 600 hours in barber teacher theory in an approved school.
- Applicant shall must pay a teacher license fee of $40.00 per year.

**Estheticians**

**Licensing Requirements**

The Department of Health shall admit to examination for a license as an esthetician a person who has made application to the department in proper form, has paid the fee required, and who:

- Applicant shall no less than 16 years of age.
- Applicant shall have completed 2 years of high school in the public schools of Arkansas or its equivalent.
- Applicant shall have completed training of at least 480 hours.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

**Exam Requirements**

Each application for admission to examination and each application for a license as an esthetician or any branch of cosmetology shall be in writing on blanks prepared and furnished by the Department of Health. In addition, each application shall be accompanied by the required fee and shall contain proof of the qualifications of the applicant for examination for registration and license. The application shall be verified by the oath of the applicant.

The examination of applicants for a license in any of the branches or practices of cosmetology shall include both a practical demonstration and written test and shall embrace the subjects concerning the particular branch or branches, practice, or practices for which a license is applied.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Arkansas does not accept apprenticeship credit.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements**

Arkansas does allow reciprocity as long as the following requirements are met:

- Applicant shall be no less than 18 years of age.
- Applicant shall hold a current valid license upon application for reciprocity, evidenced by a certified copy of the license and an affidavit from the other state or by such other evidence as the department may require.
Applicant shall have passed an examination comparable to the examination given in this state.
Applicant shall pass an Arkansas law examination under this chapter.

Upon application to the Department of Health in the form provided for the particular class of license applied for, accompanied by the required fee, a person licensed as an esthetician under the laws of another state shall be granted a license to practice esthetics in this state not of greater scope than the occupation or occupations for which the applicant was previously licensed in the other state.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Instructors

Each person employed in a school to instruct students in the school shall be a licensed esthetician who meets the following requirements:

- Applicant shall be at least 21 years of age or older
- Applicant shall have completed 600 hours of teacher training in a school of cosmetology over a period of no less than 4 months.
- Applicant shall have passed an instructors’ examination given by the Department of Health and has received an instructor's license.
- Applicant shall agree not to teach outside the profession in which the license to practice allows.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

The Department of Health shall admit to examination for a license as a nail technician a person who has made application to the department in proper form, has paid the fee required, and who:

- Applicant shall be no less than 16 years of age.
- Applicant shall have completed 2 years of high school in the public schools of Arkansas or its equivalent.
- Applicant shall have completed training of at least 480 hours.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Exam Requirements

Each application for admission to examination and each application for a license as a nail technician or any branch of cosmetology shall be in writing on blanks prepared and furnished by the Department of Health. In addition, each application shall be accompanied by the required fee and shall contain proof of the qualifications of the applicant for examination for registration and license. The application shall be verified by the oath of the applicant.
The examination of applicants for a license in any of the branches or practices of cosmetology shall include both a practical demonstration and written test and shall embrace the subjects concerning the particular branch or branches, practice, or practices for which a license is applied.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

### Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

### Apprenticeship Programs

Arkansas does not accept apprenticeship credit.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

### License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements

Arkansas does allow reciprocity as long as the following requirements are met:

- Applicant shall be no less than 18 years of age.
- Applicant shall hold a current valid license upon application for reciprocity, evidenced by a certified copy of the license and an affidavit from the other state or by such other evidence as the department may require.
- Applicant shall have passed an examination comparable to the examination given in this state.
- Applicant shall pass an Arkansas law examination under this chapter.

Upon application to the Department of Health in the form provided for the particular class of license applied for, accompanied by the required fee, a person licensed as a nail technician under the laws of another state shall be granted a license to practice manicuring in this state not of greater scope than the occupation or occupations for which the applicant was previously licensed in the other state.

*Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health*

### Instructors

Each person employed in a school to instruct students in the school shall be a licensed nail technician who:

- Applicant shall be at least 21 years of age or older.
- Applicant shall have 600 hours of teacher training in a school of cosmetology over a period of no less than 4 months.
• Applicant shall have passed an instructors’ examination given by the Department of Health and has received an instructor’s license.
• Applicant shall agree not to teach outside the profession in which the license to practice allows.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Electrologists

Licensing Requirements

The Department of Health shall admit to examination for a license as an electrologist a person who has made application to the department in proper form, has paid the fee required, and who:

• Applicant shall not be less than 18 years of age.
• Applicant shall have completed the 12th grade or an accredited senior high school in the public schools of this state or its equivalent.
• Applicant shall have completed one of the following:
  o A course of 350 hours of practical training as a student in conjunction with a course of 1500 hours in cosmetology or for a licensed cosmetologist.
  o A course of 600 hours of practical training as a student, when not in conjunction with a regular course in cosmetology or for a licensed cosmetologist, extending over a period of not less than 4 months under the immediate supervision of a licensed electrologist instructor in a school of cosmetology.
  o The prescribed course of study in electrology under the laws of another state whose licensing requirements are equal to or stricter than those in Arkansas.
  o Training and practice in electrology for a period as shall be specified by rules of the State Board of Health.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Exam Requirements

Each application for admission to examination and each application for a license as an electrologist or any branch of cosmetology shall be in writing on blanks prepared and furnished by the Department of Health. In addition, each application shall be accompanied by the required fee and shall contain proof of the qualifications of the applicant for examination for registration and license. The application shall be verified by the oath of the applicant.

The examination of applicants for a license in any of the branches or practices of cosmetology shall include both a practical demonstration and written test and shall embrace the subjects concerning the particular branch or branches, practice, or practices for which a license is applied.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health
Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements.
Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Apprenticeship Programs
Arkansas does not accept apprenticeship credit.
Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements
Arkansas does allow reciprocity as long as the following requirements are met:

- Applicant shall be no less than 21 years of age.
- Applicant shall hold a current valid license upon application for reciprocity, evidenced by a certified copy of the license and an affidavit from the other state or by such other evidence as the department may require.
- Applicant shall have passed an examination comparable to the examination given in this state.
- Applicant shall pass an Arkansas law examination under this chapter.

Upon application to the Department of Health in the form provided for the particular class of license applied for, accompanied by the required fee, a person licensed as an electrologist under the laws of another state shall be granted a license to practice electrology in this state not of greater scope than the occupation or occupations for which the applicant was previously licensed in the other state.
Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Instructors
The Department of Health shall admit to examination for license as an electrology instructor any person who has made application to the department in proper form, has paid the fee required, and who:

- Applicant shall be no less than 21 years of age.
- Applicant shall have had 600 hours of teacher training in a school of cosmetology over a period of not less than 4 months.
- Applicant shall hold a valid Arkansas license as an electrologist.
- Applicant shall have had 3 years of practical experience as an electrologist in the State of Arkansas within the past 5 years.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health
Make-up Artists

Licensing Requirements

The Department of Health shall admit to examination for a license as a makeup artist a person who has made application to the department in proper form, has paid the fee required, and who:

- Applicant shall no less than 16 years of age.
- Applicant shall have completed 2 years of high school in the public schools of Arkansas or its equivalent.
- Applicant shall have completed training of at least 480 hours.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Exam Requirements

Each application for admission to examination and each application for a license as a makeup artist or any branch of cosmetology shall be in writing on blanks prepared and furnished by the Department of Health. In addition, each application shall be accompanied by the required fee and shall contain proof of the qualifications of the applicant for examination for registration and license. The application shall be verified by the oath of the applicant.

The examination of applicants for a license in any of the branches or practices of cosmetology shall include both a practical demonstration and written test and shall embrace the subjects concerning the particular branch or branches, practice, or practices for which a license is applied.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Apprenticeship Programs

Arkansas does not accept apprenticeship credit.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements

Arkansas does allow reciprocity as long as the following requirements are met:

- Applicant shall be no less than 18 years of age.
• Applicant shall hold a current valid license upon application for reciprocity, evidenced by a certified copy of the license and an affidavit from the other state or by such other evidence as the department may require.

• Applicant shall have passed an examination comparable to the examination given in this state.

• Applicant shall pass an Arkansas law examination under this chapter.

Upon application to the Department of Health in the form provided for the particular class of license applied for, accompanied by the required fee, a person licensed as a makeup artist under the laws of another state shall be granted a license to practice makeup in this state not of greater scope than the occupation or occupations for which the applicant was previously licensed in the other state.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Instructors

Each person employed in a school to instruct students in the school shall be a licensed makeup artist who meets the following requirements:

• Applicant shall be at least 21 years of age or older

• Applicant shall have completed 600 hours of teacher training in a school of cosmetology over a period of no less than 4 months.

• Applicant shall have passed an instructors’ examination given by the Department of Health and has received an instructor's license.

• Applicant shall agree not to teach outside the profession in which the license to practice allows.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Services are not allowed under Arkansas law. Cosmetology salons must have an establishment license to operate.

Authority: Arkansas State Board of Health

High School Cosmetology Programs

Arkansas has high school cosmetology programs through vocational programs. Students must take six Career Focus units. Completing 3 units in a career pathway will be considered completion.

Authority: Arkansas Career and Technical Education
Additional Professions Licensed

- Tattooist
- Body Art
- Piercing
CALIFORNIA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the California Code of Regulations and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction or apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall pass the required examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

In California those who hold a Barber license in the state may complete a crossover course and become licensed as a Cosmetologist.

Authority: Cal. Com. Code § 7321. Qualifications for Examination

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 1,600 hours of instruction; or
- Applicant shall complete 3,200 hours of apprenticeship;
- The examinations shall consist of a practical demonstration and a written test;
  - An applicant must obtain a passing score on both exams based on a criterion-referenced method determined by the board;
  - An appeal can be made if a failed score is received;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 932

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in California. Licenses expire every two years at midnight on the last day of the month that the license was issued.

Authority: Cal. Com. Code § 7415

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in California shall meet the following requirement:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
Applicant shall complete 39 hours of pre-apprenticeship training;
Applicant shall receive a minimum of 220 hours of classroom training for cosmetology over a two-year period;
Applicant shall complete 3,200 hours of a full-time apprenticeship;
  ○ Full-time apprenticeship means employment and training in an approved program for at least 32 hours per week with a maximum of 42-1/2 hours per week.
Applicant shall receive minimum wage from an approved cosmetology establishment.

Authority: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 913 Approval of Apprentice Training Programs

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in California. To obtain a license in California, based on holding a current valid out of state license, an Applicant must submit a reciprocity application.

In order to be eligible for reciprocity:
  ● Applicants license must not be revoked, suspended, or otherwise restricted;
  ● Applicant must be in good standing;
  ● The previous license must have been active for three of the last five years, during which time the applicant has not been subject to disciplinary action or a criminal conviction.

Otherwise, applicant must apply to be licensed by examination. Before taking the written and practical exams, the Applicant must have received training substantially equivalent to the state requirements.

Authority: California Barbering and Cosmetology Frequently Asked Questions; Out of State Licensure

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall possess a current cosmetology license. Technical training must be received in order to be licensed. For more information contact the California Board of Barbing and Cosmetology.

Authority: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 901

Hairstylists

Hairstylists are licensed under Barbering and Cosmetology.

Authority: Cal. Com. Code § 7316

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the California Code of Regulations and shall meet the following qualifications:
Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age;
• Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
• Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction or apprenticeship;
• Applicant shall pass the required examinations;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

In California those who hold a Cosmetology license in the state may complete a crossover course and become licensed as a Barber.

Authority: Cal. Com. Code § 7321.5 Qualifications for Examination

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall complete 1,500 hours of instruction; or
• Applicant shall complete 3,200 hours of apprenticeship;
• The examinations shall consist of a practical demonstration and a written test;
  o An applicant must obtain a passing score on both exams based on a criterion-referenced method determined by the board;
  o An appeal can be made if a failed score is received;
• Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 932

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in California. Licenses expire every two years at midnight on the last day of the month that the license was issued.

Authority: Cal. Com. Code § 7415

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in California shall meet the following requirement:
• Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
• Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
• Applicant shall complete 39 hours of pre-apprenticeship training;
• Applicant shall receive a minimum of 216 hours of class room instruction for barbering over a two-year period;
• Applicant shall complete 3,200 hours of a full-time apprenticeship;
  o Full-time apprenticeship means employment and training in an approved program for at least 32 hours per week with a maximum of 42-1/2 hours per week.
• Applicant shall receive at least minimum wage from an approved barber shop.

Authority: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 913 Approval of Apprentice Training Programs
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in California. To obtain a license in California, based on holding a current valid out of state license, an Applicant must submit a reciprocity application.

In order to be eligible for reciprocity:

- Applicants license must not be revoked, suspended, or otherwise restricted;
- Applicant must be in good standing;
- The previous license must have been active for three of the last five years, during which time the applicant has not been subject to disciplinary action or a criminal conviction.

Otherwise, applicant must apply to be licensed by examination. Before taking the written and practical exams, the Applicant must have received training substantially equivalent to the state requirements.

Authority: California Barbering and Cosmetology Frequently Asked Questions; Out of State Licensure

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall possess a current cosmetology license. Technical training must be received in order to be licensed. For more information contact the California Board of Barbing and Cosmetology.

Authority: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 901

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in skin care shall obtain a license in compliance with the California Code of Regulations and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction or apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall pass the required examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: Cal. Com. Code § 7324 Qualifications for Examination

Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 600 hours of instruction; or
- Applicant shall complete 3,200 hours of apprenticeship;
The examinations shall consist of a practical demonstration and a written test;
  - An applicant must obtain a passing score on both exams based on a criterion-referenced method determined by the board;
  - An appeal can be made if a failed score is received;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:** [Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 932](#)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements in California. Licenses expire every two years at midnight on the last day of the month that the license was issued.

**Authority:** [Cal. Com. Code § 7415](#)

**Apprenticeship Programs**

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in California shall meet the following requirement:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall complete 39 hours of pre-apprenticeship training;
- Applicant shall receive a minimum of 220 hours of classroom training for skin care over a two-year period;
- Applicant shall complete 3,200 hours of a full-time apprenticeship;
  - Full-time apprenticeship means employment and training in an approved program for at least 32 hours per week with a maximum of 42-1/2 hours per week;
- Applicant shall receive minimum wage from an approved cosmetology establishment.

**Authority:** [Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 913 Approval of Apprentice Training Programs](#)

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

Reciprocity is offered in California. To obtain a license in California, based on holding a current valid out of state license, an Applicant must submit a reciprocity application.

In order to be eligible for reciprocity:

- Applicants license must not be revoked, suspended, or otherwise restricted;
- Applicant must be in good standing;
- The previous license must have been active for three of the last five years, during which time the applicant has not been subject to disciplinary action or a criminal conviction.

Otherwise, applicant must apply to be licensed by examination. Before taking the written and practical exams, the Applicant must have received training substantially equivalent to the state requirements.

**Authority:** [California Barbering and Cosmetology Frequently Asked Questions; Out of State Licensure](#)
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in skin care instruction shall possess a current cosmetology license. Technical training must be received in order to be licensed. For more information contact the [California Board of Barbing and Cosmetology](https://www.barbingandcosmetology.ca.gov).

*Authority: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 901*

**Manicurist**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in nail care shall obtain a license in compliance with the California Code of Regulations and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction or apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall pass the required examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority: Cal. Com. Code § 7326 Qualifications for Examination*

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 400 hours of instruction; or
- Applicant shall complete 3,200 hours of apprenticeship;
- The examinations shall consist of a practical demonstration and a written test;
  - An applicant must obtain a passing score on both exams based on a criterion-referenced method determined by the board;
  - An appeal can be made if a failed score is received;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

*Authority: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 932*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements in California. Licenses expire every two years at midnight on the last day of the month that the license was issued.

*Authority: Cal. Com. Code § 7415*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in California shall meet the following requirement:
Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
Applicant shall complete 39 hours of pre-apprenticeship training;
Applicant shall complete 39 hours of pre-apprenticeship training;
Applicant shall receive a minimum of 220 hours of classroom training for nail care over a two-year period;
Applicant shall complete 3,200 hours of a full-time apprenticeship;
  - Full-time apprenticeship means employment and training in an approved program for at least 32 hours per week with a maximum of 42-1/2 hours per week.
Applicant shall receive minimum wage from an approved cosmetology establishment.

Authority: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 913 Approval of Apprentice Training Programs

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in California. To obtain a license in California, based on holding a current valid out of state license, an Applicant must submit a reciprocity application.

In order to be eligible for reciprocity:
- Applicants license must not be revoked, suspended, or otherwise restricted;
- Applicant must be in good standing;
- The previous license must have been active for three of the last five years, during which time the applicant has not been subject to disciplinary action or a criminal conviction.

Otherwise, applicant must apply to be licensed by examination. Before taking the written and practical exams, the Applicant must have received training substantially equivalent to the state requirements.

Authority: California Barbering and Cosmetology Frequently Asked Questions; Out of State Licensure

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail care instruction shall possess a current cosmetology license. Technical training must be received in order to be licensed. For more information contact the California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology.

Authority: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 901

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Skin Care through Esthetics and Cosmetology.

Authority: Cal. Com. Code § 7316

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Salons are licensed in California. The mobile unit may only operate in geographical boundaries that it is licensed in and may not provide services further than a 50-mile radius from the permanent base address from which the unit operates.
High School Cosmetology Programs

Cosmetology schools in California can be postsecondary institutions or public schools. However, there are no specific rules governing high school cosmetology programs in California. California does offer programs on the high school level. The same number of hours are required for high school students as any cosmetology student.

Additional Professions Licensed

- Body Piercing
- Electrology
- Massage Therapy
- Permanent cosmetics
- Tattooing
COLORADO

**Cosmetologists**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Colorado Revised Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years or older;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours specified by the Office;
- Applicant shall successfully pass the examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay all required fees.

*Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements*

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 1,800 hours of training for cosmetology;
- Applicant shall take the practical and written examinations through PSI;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority: § 8-110, 12 C.R.S. Examinations*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Cosmetologist licenses expire every two years on April 30. The year is dependent upon the issuance date.

*Authority: Colorado License Renewal Information*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Colorado does not offer Apprentice Programs for Cosmetology.

*Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

There is no reciprocity offered in Colorado. To obtain a license in Colorado, based on holding a current valid license in another state or foreign country, an applicant must submit and Endorsement Application.

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Applicant must possess an active cosmetology license in good standing;
- Applicant must submit verification of licensure directly to the Office of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensure;
• Applicant's previous license must have been obtained through substantially equivalent requirements;
• Applicant must pay any required fees.

If one does not meet the qualifications then they must pass the Colorado's written examination in order to be licensed within the state.

*Authority: 4 Colo. Code Regs. § 731-1-10 Licensure by Endorsement*

**Instructors**

The rules governing Instructors and Schools have been repealed from the Acts governing the Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure. Under the **Private Occupational School Board**, Educational instructors are required to meet the following qualifications:

• Complete at least two years or 4,000 hours of acceptable full or part-time experience;
• A Background check must be completed.

Instructional staff are expected to maintain continuing competency by providing on a regular basis sufficient and recent education and employment experience to assure up-to-date knowledge.

*Authority: 8 Colo. Code Regs. § 1504-1-3-E. Educational staff*

**Hairstylists**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in hair styling shall obtain a license in compliance with the Colorado Revised Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be at least 16 years or older;
• Applicant shall complete the required hours specified by the Office;
• Applicant shall successfully pass the examination;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay all required fees.

*Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements*

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant must complete 1,200 hours of training for hair styling;
• Applicant shall take the practical and written examinations through PSI;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees;

*Authority: § 8-110, 12 C.R.S. Examinations*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Hairstylist licenses expire on March 31 of even-numbered years.
**Apprenticeship Programs**

Colorado does not offer Apprentice Programs.

*Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

There is no reciprocity offered in Colorado. To obtain a license in Colorado, based on holding a current valid license in another state or foreign country, an applicant must submit and Endorsement Application.

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Applicant must possess an active hairstyling license in good standing;
- Applicant must submit verification of licensure directly to the Office of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensure;
- Applicant's previous license must have been obtained through substantially equivalent requirements;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

If one does not meet the qualifications then they must pass the Colorado’s written examination in order to be licensed within the state.

*Authority: 4 Colo. Code Regs. § 731-1-10 Licensure by Endorsement*

**Instructors**

The rules governing Instructors and Schools have been repealed from the Acts governing the Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure. Under the **Private Occupational School Board**, Educational instructors are required to meet the following qualifications:

- Complete at least two years or 4,000 hours of acceptable full or part-time experience;
- A Background check must be completed.

Instructional staff are expected to maintain continuing competency by providing on a regular basis sufficient and recent education and employment experience to assure up-to-date knowledge.

*Authority: 8 Colo. Code Regs. § 1504-1-3-E. Educational staff*

**Barbers**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Colorado Revised Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years or older;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours specified by the Office;
- Applicant shall successfully pass the examination;
Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
Applicant shall pay all required fees.

*Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements*

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicant must complete 1,500 hours of training for barbering;
- Applicant shall take the practical and written examinations through PSI;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority: § 8-110, 12 C.R.S. Examinations*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Barber licenses expire on March 31 of even-numbered years.

*Authority: Colorado License Renewal Information*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Colorado does not offer Apprentice Programs.

*Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

There is no reciprocity offered in Colorado. To obtain a license in Colorado, based on holding a current valid license in another state or foreign country, an applicant must submit and Endorsement Application.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant must possess an active barbering license in good standing;
- Applicant must submit verification of licensure directly to the Office of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensure;
- Applicant's previous license must have been obtained through substantially equivalent requirements;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

If one does not meet the qualifications then they must pass the Colorado’s written examination in order to be licensed within the state.

*Authority: 4 Colo. Code Regs. § 731-1-10 Licensure by Endorsement*
**Instructors**

The rules governing Instructors and Schools have been repealed from the Acts governing the Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure. Under the Private Occupational School Board, Educational instructors are required to meet the following qualifications:

- Complete at least two years or 4,000 hours of acceptable full or part-time experience;
- A Background check must be completed.

Instructional staff are expected to maintain continuing competency by providing on a regular basis sufficient and recent education and employment experience to assure up-to-date knowledge.

*Authority: 8 Colo. Code Regs. § 1504-1-3-E. Educational staff*

**Estheticians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to practice as an esthetician shall obtain a license in compliance with the Colorado Revised Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years or older;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours specified by the Office;
- Applicant shall successfully pass the examination;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay all required fees.

*Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements*

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 600 hours of training for cosmetology;
- Applicant shall take the practical and written examinations through PSI;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority: § 8-110, 12 C.R.S. Examinations*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Esthetician licenses expire on March 31 of even-numbered years.

*Authority: Colorado License Renewal Information*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Colorado does not offer Apprentice Programs.

*Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements*
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

There is no reciprocity offered in Colorado. To obtain a license in Colorado, based on holding a current valid license in another state or foreign country, an applicant must submit and Endorsement Application.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant must possess an active estheticians license in good standing;
- Applicant must submit verification of licensure directly to the Office of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensure;
- Applicant’s previous license must have been obtained through substantially equivalent requirements;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

If one does not meet the qualifications then they must pass the Colorado’s written examination in order to be licensed within the state.

Authority: 4 Colo. Code Regs. § 731-1-10 Licensure by Endorsement

Instructors

The rules governing Instructors and Schools have been repealed from the Acts governing the Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure. Under the Private Occupational School Board, Educational instructors are required to meet the following qualifications:
- Complete at least two years or 4,000 hours of acceptable full or part-time experience;
- A Background check must be completed.

Instructional staff are expected to maintain continuing competency by providing on a regular basis sufficient and recent education and employment experience to assure up-to-date knowledge.

Authority: 8 Colo. Code Regs. § 1504-1-3-E. Educational staff

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage manicuring shall obtain a license in compliance with the Colorado Revised Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall be at least 16 years or older;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours specified by the Office;
- Applicant shall successfully pass the examination;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay all required fees.

Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
Applicant must complete 600 hours of training in manicuring;
Applicant shall take the practical and written examinations through PSI;
Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: § 8-110, 12 C.R.S. Examinations

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Nail technician licenses expire on March 31 of even-numbered years.

Authority: Colorado License Renewal Information

Apprenticeship Programs

Colorado does not offer Apprentice Programs.

Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

There is no reciprocity offered in Colorado. To obtain a license in Colorado, based on holding a current valid license in another state or foreign country, an applicant must submit and Endorsement Application.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant must possess an active nail technicians license in good standing;
- Applicant must submit verification of licensure directly to the Office of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensure;
- Applicant’s previous license must have been obtained through substantially equivalent requirements;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

If one does not meet the qualifications then they must pass the Colorado’s written examination in order to be licensed within the state.

Authority: 4 Colo. Code Regs. § 731-1-10 Licensure by Endorsement

Instructors

The rules governing Instructors and Schools have been repealed from the Acts governing the Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure. Under the Private Occupational School Board, Educational instructors are required to meet the following qualifications:
- Complete at least two years or 4,000 hours of acceptable full or part-time experience;
- A Background check must be completed.
Instructional staff are expected to maintain continuing competency by providing on a regular basis sufficient and recent education and employment experience to assure up-to-date knowledge.

*Authority: 8 Colo. Code Regs. § 1504-1-3-E. Educational staff*

**Make-up Artists**

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics. Permanent makeup artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics, but extra education is required.

*Authority: § 8-103, 12 C.R.S. Definitions and Rule 11- Permanent Makeup*

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Colorado does license mobile cosmetology units. The regulations for mobile salons are the same as those for other cosmetology places of business.

*Authority: § 8-103, 12 C.R.S. Definitions*

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

As long as high schoolers meet the age requirements there is nothing prohibiting them from enrolling in a Cosmetology program approved by the Board. There are no specific rules governing high school cosmetology programs in Colorado. The student is required to complete the same number of hours of instruction within a Cosmetology program as any other student. Programs are offered on the high school level.

*Authority: § 8-114, 12 C.R.S. Qualifications of applicants - requirements*

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Body Piercing
- Massage Therapy
- Natural Hair Braiding
- Tattooing


CONNECTICUT

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any person wishing to engage in the occupation of registered hairdresser and cosmetician must obtain a license from the department in compliance with §113 C. 564. Sec. 20-252. And meet the following requirements:

- Applicant has shown to the satisfaction of the department that the applicant has complied with the laws and the regulations administered or adopted by the department;
- Applicant shall make written application to the department, showing that the applicant has successfully completed all requirements;
- Applicant must have completed the ninth grade or equivalent and completed a course of the required hours of study in an approved hairdressing or cosmetology school under the supervision of the State Board of Education.

Authority: Ch. 387, Sec. 20-252. Licensing and Registration for Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must pass a written examination satisfactory to the department;
- Applicants must have completed 1,500 hours at a licensed school;
- Examinations required for licensure shall be prescribed by the department with the advice of the board;
- Applicant shall pay the fee of $100 to the department at the time of the application.

Authority: Ch. 387, Sec 20-253. License and Examination Fees

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Connecticut. Licenses shall be renewed once every two years. Each person shall annually, during the month of their birth, register with the Department of Public Health upon payment for professional services fee.

Authority: Ch. 387, Sec 20-253. License and Examination Fees and Ch. 368a. Sec. 19a-88b.

Apprenticeship Programs

Currently Connecticut does not offer apprenticeship programs for hairdressers.

Authority: Connecticut Department of Labor
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Any person who holds a current license at the time of application as a registered hairdresser and cosmetician is eligible to receive a license in Connecticut upon a payment fee of one hundred dollars. Requirements for Eligibility:

- Applicant was issued the license on the basis of successful completion of a program of education and training in hairdressing and cosmetology;
- Applicant was issued the license based on a successful hairdressing and cosmetology examination;
- Applicant must not have professional disciplinary action pending or be the subject of an unresolved complaint;
- If the applicant was not required to pass an exam to receive their license but has practiced for at least 5 years is eligible for licensure. The applicant must submit evidence of education and experience that is satisfactory to the commissioner.

Authority: Ch. 387, Sec. 20-254. License without Examination

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must have graduated from a school of hairdressing approved by the board with the consent of the Commissioner of Public Health;
- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must hold a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Hold a current license and be in good standing with the state of Connecticut;
- Applicant must have at least 2 years of licensed work experience

Authority: Hairdresser School Curriculum

Stylists

Stylists are licensed under barbers in the state of Connecticut.

Authority: Conn. Stats. Sec. 20-234. Definition.

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Applicant must meet the following requirements:

- Successful completion of the 8th grade or its equivalent;
• Successful completion of a course of study with a minimum of 1,000 hours in a school approved by the Connecticut State Board of Barbers, Hairdressers, and Cosmeticians;
• Successful completion of the Connecticut barber examination administered by Prometric;
• Must have a completed notarized application with photograph and fee of $100 in the form of a check payable to, “Treasurer, State of Connecticut”;
• Must have Affidavit of Hours Form submitted to the Barber Licensing Office from the barber school.

Authority: Connecticut Barber Licensure

Exam Requirements

A candidate must pass the Connecticut Barber Examination administered by Prometric.

Authority: Connecticut Barber Licensure

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Connecticut. Licenses must be renewed once every two years and with it the $100 renewal fee.

Authority: Sec. 20-239 Expiration of License

Apprenticeship Programs

Applicants who have completed an apprenticeship program must meet these qualifications:
• Successfully completed the 8th grade;
• Completed an apprenticeship approved by the Labor;
• Have passed a written examination approved by the Department of Public Health.

Authority: Sec. 20-236(B)

License Reciprocity and Availability Agreements

Applicants who maintain an out of state license may qualify for a Connecticut licensure if they meet these requirements:
• Applicant currently holds a license that was issued based on successful completion of a program of education and training in hairdressing;
• Applicant has successfully completed an examination;
• Applicant has a completed notarized application with photograph and has paid the $100 fee;
• License verification from any previous state where applicant held a license.


**Authority:** Licensure Based on Out-of-State License

### Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barber instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant shall hold a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant must hold a current license as a barber and be in good standing in Connecticut;
- Applicant must have at least two years of licensed work experience.

**Authority:** Barber School Curriculum

### Estheticians

A Connecticut license is not required for individuals performing facials, pedicures, eyebrow arching, shampooing, manicures, or braiding.

**Authority:** Sec. 20-250(4) Connecticut General Statutes

### Nail Technicians

There is no licensure or certification offered or required for nail technicians in Connecticut.

**Authority:** Sec. 20-250(4) Connecticut General Statutes

### Make-up Artists

Make-up artists are exempt from regulation under Connecticut law.

**Authority:** Ch. 387, Sec. 20-250.

### Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

There is no license required to perform Mobile Cosmetology Services.

**Authority:** Practitioner Licensing & Investigations Section
High School Cosmetology Programs

Connecticut has high school cosmetology programs through the Connecticut Technical High School System. Students can dedicate 14 to 21 hours each week to their work.  
Authority: Connecticut Work-Based Learning

Additional Professions Licensed

- Acupuncturist
- Tattoo Technician
- Body Piercing
- Electrologist
- Laser Hair Removal
- Massage Therapist

Authority: Practitioner Licensing & Investigations Section
DELAWARE

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Delaware Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicants must be at least 16 years of age;
- Each applicant must provide proof of any required general or professional education in the form of a certified transcript, proof of a G.E.D. or any other document evidencing completion of at least the 10th grade or equivalent education to the Board's satisfaction;
- Applicants must complete required hours before applying for licensure;
- Applicants can also receive their cosmetology license by completing the required hours in an apprenticeship;
- Applicant must pass the required examinations to receive licensure;
- All applications for licensure must be submitted on forms approved by the Division of Professional Regulation and be accompanied by the appropriate fees.

Authority: Frequently Asked Questions, PCS Delaware Cosmetology Handbook

Exam Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 1,500 class hours to qualify for examination;
- Applicants must pass the PCS theory and practical examinations;
- The minimum score required to pass both the theory and practical examination is 75;
- Upon passing examinations, Applicants shall pay any required fees to receive licensure.

Authority: Cosmetology Exam Requirements

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire on October 31st of each even year.

Authority: Frequently Asked Questions, License Renewal

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Delaware shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Applicants must complete 3,000 hours as a cosmetology apprentice to be eligible for licensure;
- A person applying for licensure by apprenticeship shall be supervised by a practitioner licensed in the profession that the apprentice is studying;
- An apprenticeship shall be completed only in a licensed shop;
Any person applying for licensure as a cosmetologist or barber through apprenticeship must complete the necessary apprentice hours in not less than 18 months and not more than 36 months;

On written application to the Board prior to completion of the apprenticeship, the Board may grant extensions to these time frames for good cause shown. The extension granted shall not exceed one year;

The apprentice shall submit a new application to the Board upon any change in supervisor or location of the apprenticeship.

Authority: 24-5100 Del. Admin. Code § 3.4

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Any applicant from a state with less stringent requirements than those of Delaware, shall submit a notarized statement(s) from current or previous employer(s) testifying to work experience in the field for which the applicant is seeking a license in Delaware;
- Such experience shall have been obtained in the State where the applicant is currently licensed for a period of 3 of the 5 years immediately preceding the making of application;
- Unlicensed practice within the State of Delaware shall not qualify as valid work experience;
- If the applicant cannot obtain a notarized statement(s), the applicant shall submit a letter of explanation and alternative documentation of experience, such as tax records.

Authority: 24-5100 Del. Admin. Code § 6.0

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- An instructor applicant shall submit an official transcript showing completion of the teacher training course of 500 classroom hours;
- Where an instructor applicant states that he or she has obtained 2 years' experience, such experience shall be documented by a notarized statement(s) from current or previous employers;
- If the required statement(s) cannot be obtained, the applicant must submit an explanation, with any other available documentation, such as W-2 forms;
- The Board may accept or reject such explanation, at its discretion;
- A cosmetology instructor may teach cosmetology, nail technology and aesthetics;
- A cosmetology instructor may teach barbering only if he or she has completed at least 35 hours of instruction in shaving as documented to the satisfaction of the Board.


Hairstylists

Hairstylists are licensed under Barbering and Cosmetology.

Authority: Hairstylist Licensure
Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Delaware Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicants must be at least 16 years of age;
- Each applicant must provide proof of any required general or professional education in the form of a certified transcript, proof of a G.E.D. or any other document evidencing completion of at least the 10th grade or equivalent education to the Board's satisfaction;
- Applicants must complete required classroom hours before applying for licensure;
- Applicants can also receive their barber license by completing the required hours in an apprenticeship.
- All applications for licensure must be submitted on forms approved by the Division of Professional Regulation and be accompanied by the appropriate fees.

Authority: Frequently Asked Questions, PCS Delaware Barber Handbook

Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 1,500 class hours to qualify for examination;
- Applicants must pass the PCS theory and practical examinations;
- The minimum score required to pass both the theory and practical examination is 75;
- Upon passing, Applicants shall pay the required fees to receive licensure.

Authority: Barber Exam Requirements

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire March 31st of each even year.

Authority: Frequently Asked Questions, License Renewal

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Delaware shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Applicants must complete 3,000 hours as barber apprentice to be eligible for licensure;
- A person applying for licensure by apprenticeship shall be supervised by a practitioner licensed in the profession that the apprentice is studying;
- An apprenticeship shall be completed only in a licensed shop;
- Any person applying for licensure as a cosmetologist or barber through apprenticeship must complete the necessary apprentice hours in not less than 18 months and not more than 36 months;
- On written application to the Board prior to completion of the apprenticeship, the Board may grant extensions to these time frames for good cause shown. The extension granted shall not exceed one year;
The apprentice shall submit a new application to the Board upon any change in supervisor or location of the apprenticeship.

**Authority:** [24-5100 Del. Admin. Code § 3.4](https://legis.delaware.gov/StatuteSearch/Detail/7851)

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

#### Requirements for Eligibility:
- Any applicant from a state with less stringent requirements than those of Delaware, shall submit a notarized statement(s) from current or previous employer(s) testifying to work experience in the field for which the applicant is seeking a license in Delaware;
- Such experience shall have been obtained in the State where the applicant is currently licensed for a period of 3 of the 5 years immediately preceding the making of application;
- Unlicensed practice within the State of Delaware shall not qualify as valid work experience;
- If the applicant cannot obtain a notarized statement(s), the applicant shall submit a letter of explanation and alternative documentation of experience, such as tax records.

**Authority:** [24-5100 Del. Admin. Code § 6.0](https://legis.delaware.gov/StatuteSearch/Detail/7851)

### Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- An instructor applicant shall submit an official transcript showing completion of the teacher training course of 500 classroom hours;
- Where an instructor applicant states that he or she has obtained 2 years’ experience, such experience shall be documented by a notarized statement(s) from current or previous employers;
- If the required statement(s) cannot be obtained, the applicant must submit an explanation, with any other available documentation, such as W-2 forms;
- The Board may accept or reject such explanation, at its discretion.


### Estheticians

#### Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the Delaware Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicants must be at least 16 years of age;
- Each applicant must provide proof of any required general or professional education in the form of a certified transcript, proof of a G.E.D. or any other document evidencing completion of at least the 10th grade or equivalent education to the Board’s satisfaction;
- Applicants must complete the required classroom hours before applying for licensure;
- Applicants can also receive their Aesthetician license by completing the required hours in an apprenticeship;
- All applications for licensure must be submitted on forms approved by the Division of Professional Regulation and be accompanied by the appropriate fee.
Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 600 class hours to qualify for examination;
- Applicants must pass the PCS theory and practical examinations;
- Both exams must be scheduled online and taken at an examination site;
- The minimum score required to pass both the theory and practical examination is 75;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees to receive licensure.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire March 31st of each even year.

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Delaware shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Applicants must complete 1,200 hours as aesthetician apprentice to be eligible for licensure.
- A person applying for licensure by apprenticeship shall be supervised by a practitioner licensed in the profession that the apprentice is studying;
- An apprenticeship shall be completed only in a licensed shop;
- Any person applying for licensure as an aesthetician through apprenticeship must complete the necessary apprentice hours in not less than 30 weeks and not more than 24 months;
- On written application to the Board prior to completion of the apprenticeship, the Board may grant extensions to these time frames for good cause shown. The extension granted shall not exceed one year;
- The apprentice shall submit a new application to the Board upon any change in supervisor or location of the apprenticeship.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Any applicant from a state with less stringent requirements than those of Delaware, shall submit a notarized statement(s) from current or previous employer(s) testifying to work experience in the field for which the applicant is seeking a license in Delaware;
- Such experience shall have been obtained in the State where the applicant is currently licensed for a period of 3 of the 5 years immediately preceding the making of application;
- Unlicensed practice within the State of Delaware shall not qualify as valid work experience;
- If the applicant cannot obtain a notarized statement(s), the applicant shall submit a letter of explanation and alternative documentation of experience, such as tax records.
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- An instructor applicant shall submit an official transcript showing completion of the teacher training course of 500 classroom hours;
- Where an instructor applicant states that he or she has obtained 2 years’ experience, such experience shall be documented by a notarized statement(s) from current or previous employers;
- If the required statement(s) cannot be obtained, the applicant must submit an explanation, with any other available documentation, such as W-2 forms;
- The Board may accept or reject such explanation, at its discretion.

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology (or manicuring) shall obtain a license in compliance with the Delaware Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicants must be at least 16 years of age;
- Each applicant must provide proof of any required general or professional education in the form of a certified transcript, proof of a G.E.D. or any other document evidencing completion of at least the 10th grade or equivalent education to the Board’s satisfaction;
- Applicants must complete the required classroom hours before applying for licensure;
- Applicants can also receive their Nail Technician license by completing the required hours in an apprenticeship;
- All applications for licensure must be submitted on forms approved by the Division of Professional Regulation and be accompanied by the appropriate fee.

Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 300 class hours to qualify for examination;
- Applicants must pass the PCS theory and practical examinations;
- Both exams must be scheduled online and taken at an examination site;
- The minimum score required to pass both the theory and practical examination is 75;
- Upon passing, Applicant must pay the required fees.
Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire March 31st of each even year.

Authority: Frequently Asked Questions, License Renewal

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Delaware shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

• Applicants must complete 600 hours as a nail technician apprentice to be eligible for licensure;
• A person applying for licensure by apprenticeship shall be supervised by a practitioner licensed in the profession that the apprentice is studying;
• An apprenticeship shall be completed only in a licensed shop;
• Any person applying for licensure as a nail technician through apprenticeship must complete the necessary apprentice hours in not less than 6 weeks and not more than 12 months;
• On written application to the Board prior to completion of the apprenticeship, the Board may grant extensions to these time frames for good cause shown. The extension granted shall not exceed one year;
• The apprentice shall submit a new application to the Board upon any change in supervisor or location of the apprenticeship.

Authority: 24-5100 Del. Admin. Code § 3.5, Frequently Asked Questions

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:

• Any applicant from a state with less stringent requirements than those of Delaware, shall submit a notarized statement(s) from current or previous employer(s) testifying to work experience in the field for which the applicant is seeking a license in Delaware;
• Such experience shall have been obtained in the State where the applicant is currently licensed for a period of 3 of the 5 years immediately preceding the making of application;
• Unlicensed practice within the State of Delaware shall not qualify as valid work experience;
• If the applicant cannot obtain a notarized statement(s), the applicant shall submit a letter of explanation and alternative documentation of experience, such as tax records.

Authority: Nail Technician License Reciprocity

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology (manicuring) instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• An instructor applicant shall submit an official transcript showing completion of the teacher training course of 500 classroom hours;
• Where an instructor applicant states that he or she has obtained 2 years’ experience, such experience shall be documented by a notarized statement(s) from current or previous employers;
• If the required statement(s) cannot be obtained, the applicant must submit an explanation, with any other available documentation, such as W-2 forms;
• The Board may accept or reject such explanation, at its discretion.

Authority:  [Nail Technician Instructor Requirements, Frequently Asked Questions]

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

Authority:  [Make-up Artist Licensure]

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Salons are licensed in Delaware. In addition to any other information required in the application for licensure, a mobile salon applicant shall provide:

• Permanent business address; or
• A permanent physical address from which the mobile unit is dispatched and to which the mobile unit is returned when not in use;
• The mobile salon’s telephone number;
• All motor vehicles’ identification numbers.

Authority:  [24-5100 Del. Admin. Code § 10.6]

High School Cosmetology Programs

There are no specific rules governing high school cosmetology programs in Delaware. As long as the student meets the age and education requirements they may enroll in a cosmetology program. Programs are offered on the high school level.

Authority:  [24-5100 Del. Admin. Code § 10.0]

Additional Professions Licensed

• Electrology
• Massage and Bodywork

Tattoo art and Body piercing does not require a license in Delaware. However, shops that provide these services must be licensed.
FLORIDA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

An applicant shall be eligible for licensure by examination to practice cosmetology if the applicant:

- Is at least 16 years of age or has received a high school diploma;
- Pays the required application fee and required examination fee;
- Is authorized to practice cosmetology in another state or country, has been so authorized for at least 1 year, and does not qualify for licensure by endorsement;
- Has received a minimum of 1,200 hours of training as established by the board.

Authority: FL. Ch. 477.019

Exam Requirements

The school or program may certify that a person is qualified to take the required examination after the completion of a minimum of 1,000 actual school hours. If the person passes the examination, they will have satisfied the requirement.

- Upon receiving a passing grade on the examination and paying the initial licensing fee, the department shall issue a license to practice cosmetology;
- If applicant passes all parts of the examination for licensure as a cosmetologist, he or she may practice in the time between passing the examination and receiving a physical copy of his or her license if he or she practices under the supervision of a licensed cosmetologist in a licensed salon.

Authority: FL. Ch. 477.019

Continuing Education Requirements

The continuing education requirements are to update the training of licensees and registered specialists but should not exceed 16 hours biennially. CE subject courses shall include:

- Human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome;
- Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations;
- Worker’s compensation issues;
- State and Federal Laws and Rules as they pertain to cosmetologists, cosmetology, salons, specialists, specialty salons, and booth renters;
- Chemical makeup as it pertains to hair, skin, and nails;
- Environmental Issues.

Authority: FL. Ch. 477.019(7a)
Apprenticeship Programs

Florida does not accept apprenticeship training hours.

*Authority: FL Ch. 477.019*

License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements

The board shall certify as qualified for licensure by endorsement as a cosmetologist in this state an applicant who holds a current active license to practice cosmetology in another state. Anyone with a license from out of the country must apply through examination.

- The board may not require proof of educational hours if the license was issued in a state that requires 1,200 or more hours of pre-licensure education and passage of a written examination;
- This subsection does not apply to applicants who received their license in another state through an apprenticeship program.

*Authority: FL Ch. 477.019*

Instructors

Florida does not regulate cosmetology instructors. The schools themselves are responsible to certify their own instructors.

*Authority: Board of Cosmetology (18)*

Stylists

Stylists must either obtain a barber license or a cosmetology license. Both licenses are able to perform most of the same services as each other. However, a barber is allowed to shave the face and cosmetologists are allowed to wax and do nails.

*Authority: Florida Board of Licensure – Special Board Issues (6)*

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

The board shall certify for licensure any applicant who satisfies the requirements of this Chapter and who passes the required examination, achieving a passing grade as established by the board. To be eligible for licensure by examination, applicant must:

- Be of at least 16 years of age;
- Pay the required application fee;
• Holds an active valid license to practice barbering in another state, has held the license for at least 1 year, and does not qualify for licensure by endorsement;
• Has received the required hours of training as established by the board.

**Authority:** [FL. Ch. 476.114](#)

### Exam Requirements

Each applicant for examination shall:

- Make application to the department at least 30 days prior to the examination date on forms prepared and furnished by the department;
- Furnish to the department two signed photographs of the applicant that are of sufficient size to identify the applicant;
- Pay the required fee to the department.
- Must have completed 1,200 hours of training at an approved school.

Examinations of applicants for licenses as barbers shall be offered not less than four times each year. The examination of applicants for licenses as barbers shall include a written test. The board shall have the authority to adopt rules with respect to the examination of applicants for licensure. The board may provide rules with respect to written examinations in such manner as the board may deem fit.

**Authority:** [FL. Ch. 476.134 – FL. Ch. 476.124](#)

### Continuing Education Requirements

Florida requires barbers to renew their license biennially. The renewal fee is $75 and barbers must complete a board approved course on HIV and AIDS.

**Authority:** [Florida Barbers’ Board](#)

### Apprenticeship Programs

Florida does not accept apprenticeship training hours.

**Authority:** [FL. Ch. 476.114](#)
License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements

The board shall adopt rules specifying procedures for the licensure by endorsement of practitioners desiring to be licensed in this state who hold a current active license in another state or country and who have met qualifications substantially similar to, equivalent to, or greater than the qualifications required of applicants from this state.

Authority: FL. Ch. 476.144 (5)

Instructors

Individual Barbering Schools certify their own instructors. Instructors are not regulated by the Florida Barbers’ Board. However, through the Department of Education, instructors are required to hold a teacher certification for each course they would like to teach.

Authority: Florida Barbers’ Board FAQ (11) – Department of Education: Barbering

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any person is qualified for registration as an esthetics specialist within the practice of cosmetology under this chapter who:

- Is at least 16 years of age or has received a high school diploma;
- Has received a certificate of completion no less than 260 hours of education in an esthetics specialty program.
- A person desiring to be registered as a specialist shall apply to the department in writing upon forms prepared by the department;
- Upon paying the initial registration fee, the department shall register the applicant to practice one or more of the specialty practices within the practice of cosmetology.

Authority: FL. Ch. 477.019

Exam Requirements

There is no examination required to receive registration as an esthetician. Upon successful submission of an application, the board will grant registration to practice to the applicant.

Authority: Florida Board of Cosmetology FAQ (3)

Continuing Education Requirements

The continuing education requirements are to update the training of licensees and registered specialists but should not exceed 16 hours biennially. CE subject courses shall include:

- Human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome;
Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations;
Worker's compensation issues;
State and Federal Laws and Rules as they pertain to cosmetologists, cosmetology, salons, specialists, specialty salons, and booth renters;
Chemical makeup as it pertains to hair, skin, and nails;
Environmental Issues.

Authority: FL. Ch. 477.019

Apprenticeship

Florida does not accept apprenticeship training hours.

Authority: FL.Ch. 477.019

License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements

You are eligible for a Florida registration by endorsement if you have a current and active registration or license in another state, with the requirements of the other state being equal to or greater than the requirements of Florida applicants. Out-of-country facial specialist, nail specialist and full specialist registrants are not eligible for licensure by endorsement. Any Florida cosmetology school can evaluate your previous school training and grant credit for hours toward fulfilling the Florida school requirements. Schools can grant credit for all, some or none of a person's previous education.

Authority: Florida Board of Cosmetology FAQ (8)

Instructors

Florida does not regulate cosmetology instructors. The schools themselves are responsible to certify their own instructors.

Authority: Board of Cosmetology (18)

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

A person wishing to become a registered nail technician must meet the following requirements:

- Is at least 16 years of age or has received a high school diploma;
- Has received a certificate of completion in a nail technician specialty course at a minimum of 240 hours from a licensed school of cosmetology.
- A person who wishes to be registered as a specialist shall apply to the department in writing upon forms prepared by the department;
Upon paying the initial registration fee, the department shall register the applicant to practice one or more of the specialty practices within the practice of cosmetology.

**Authority:** FL. Stats. Sec. 477.0201 – Florida Board of Cosmetology (2)

**Exam Requirements**

There is no examination required to receive registration as a nail technician. Upon successful submission of an application, the board will grant registration to practice to the applicant.

**Authority:** Florida Board of Cosmetology (2)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

The continuing education requirements are to update the training of licensees and registered specialists but should not exceed 16 hours biennially. CE subject courses shall include:

- Human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome;
- Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations;
- Worker's compensation issues;
- State and Federal Laws and Rules as they pertain to cosmetologists, cosmetology, salons, specialists, specialty salons, and booth renters;
- Chemical makeup as it pertains to hair, skin, and nails;
- Environmental Issues.

**Authority:** FL. Ch. 477.019

**Apprenticeships**

Florida does not accept apprenticeship training hours.

**Authority:** FL. Ch. 477.019

**License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements**

You are eligible for a Florida registration by endorsement if you have a current and active registration or license in another state, with the requirements of the other state being equal to or greater than the requirements of Florida applicants. Out-of-country facial specialist, nail specialist and full specialist registrants are not eligible for licensure by endorsement. Any Florida cosmetology school can evaluate your previous school training and grant credit for hours toward fulfilling the Florida school requirements. Schools can grant credit for all, some or none of a person’s previous education.

**Authority:** Florida Board of Cosmetology FAQ (8)
**Instructors**

Florida does not regulate cosmetology instructors. The schools themselves are responsible to certify their own instructors.

*Authority: Board of Cosmetology (18)*

**Make-up Artists**

Anyone wishing to practice make-up art must obtain either a cosmetology license, facial specialist license, or full specialist license.

*Authority: Florida Beauty Schools*

**Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile Cosmetology Services are allowed in Florida. They must abide by the rules the board has adopted for the licensure, operation, and inspection of mobile cosmetology salons, including their facilities, personnel, and safety and sanitary requirements:

- Each mobile salon must comply with all licensure and operating requirements specified in Ch. 477 and Ch. 455 or rules of the board or department that apply to cosmetology salons at fixed locations, unless they conflict with the adopted rules pursuant to mobile salons;
- A mobile cosmetology salon must maintain a permanent business address, located in the inspection area of the local department office, at which records of appointments, itineraries, license numbers of employees, and vehicle identification numbers of the license holder's mobile salon shall be kept and made available for verification purposes by department personnel, and at which correspondence from the department can be received;
- To facilitate periodic inspections of mobile cosmetology salons, prior to the beginning of each month each mobile salon license holder must file with the board a written monthly itinerary listing the locations where and the dates and hours when the mobile salon will be operating;
- The board shall establish fees for mobile cosmetology salons, not to exceed the fees for cosmetology salons at fixed locations;
- The operation of mobile cosmetology salons must be in compliance with all local laws and ordinances regulating business establishments, with all applicable requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act relating to accommodations for persons with disabilities, and with all applicable OSHA requirements.

*Authority: FL. Stats. Sec. 477.025 (10)*
**High School Cosmetology Programs**

Florida offers high school cosmetology programs through vocational schools (9-12). The standard length is around 8 credits.

*Authority: Florida Department of Education*

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Tattooist
- Body Piercing (no license needed to practice, but a license is needed to open a salon).
- Electrologists
- Pedicuring Specialist
- Massage Therapy
- Unless otherwise licensed, individuals must register with the department in order to perform the following:
  - Hair Braiding
    - Register with department, pay applicable fee, and take a two-day 16-hour course
  - Hair Wrapping
    - Register with department, pay applicable fee, and take a one day 6-hour course
  - Body Wrapping
    - Register with department, pay applicable fee, and take a two-day 12-hour course

*Authority: FL. Stats. Sec. 477.0132*
GEORGIA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements
Any individual desiring to obtain a certificate of registration to engage in the occupation of a cosmetologist shall make application through the division director to the board and shall present proof that they have:

- Obtained a high school diploma, a GED diploma, or a postsecondary education or college degree;
- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant must have completed a 1,500-credit hour study course with at least 9 months at a board approved school;
- Applicant has studied the occupation of a cosmetologist and possess the requisite skill in such occupation to perform all duties properly;
- Applicant must have passed both a written and a practical examination approved by the board.

Authority: O.C.G.A. § 43-10-9

Exam Requirements
An applicant for the cosmetology examination at the master cosmetology level shall receive notice of eligibility sent by the Board or the Board's designated agent, stating the date, time and place of examination.

The applicant taking the examination shall be required to pass the practical and written examination with a minimum score of 70% on each section. Failure to achieve a passing score requires the applicant to retake the section failed.

Authority: Ga. Ch. 130-6-.03

Continuing Education Requirements
The first time an individual renews their license, they are not required to meet the CE requirements. Every renewal after that, the individual must complete 5 hours of CE every 2 years in order to renew the license.

Authority: Ga. Ch. 240-3-.01

Apprenticeship Programs
Georgia has a cosmetology apprentice license. They must apply through the online application and in turn meet the following requirements:

- Apprentice must train under the direct supervision of a licensed master licensee with at least 36 months' experience;
- Apprentice must be at least 16 years of age;
• The apprentice will receive a certificate of registration for a period of 4 years;
• An apprentice cosmetologist must practice for 3,000 hours and have 18 months of training

Authority: GA Cosmetology Apprentice Application

License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements
Any individual wishing to obtain a certificate of registration to engage in the occupation of cosmetology at the master cosmetologist level, by reciprocity from another state or country, where similar reciprocity is extended to Georgia and licensure requirements are substantially equal to those in Georgia, must obtain the following:
• An application for a license at the appropriate level using the form furnished by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology;
• Copy of current license in state reciprocating from;
• Certification of licensure from out-of-state licensing board sent directly to the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology by the out-of-state or out-of-country licensing board;
• Verifications of good standing from each state in which applicant has been licensed sent from the out-of-state or out-of-country licensing board to the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology;
• Proof that the applicant has met all requirements of the law, rules, and requirements of the Board as set forth in the application;
• Pay the required fee of $50.00.

Authority: Ga. Ch. 130-8-.01

Instructors
Any individual desiring to teach or instruct in a school of cosmetology in the State of Georgia, is required to make application for a license using the form furnished by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology and show by such application that the applicant has met all of the requirements of the law and rules of the board. The application must include:
• A photo static copy of a current Georgia cosmetology license at the appropriate level;
• Proof of one-year work experience as a licensee at the appropriate level;
• Proof of a high school diploma or GED Certificate;
• An official certification of required credit hours of instructor training from a Board approved school of cosmetology (obtained within four months);
• Pay the required fee of $30.00;
• Proof of passing a written and practical examination to become an instructor.

Authority: Ga. Ch. 130-2-.05
Hair Stylists

Licensing Requirements
Any individual desiring to obtain a certification of registration to engage in the occupation of a hair designer shall make application through the division director and shall present proof that they have:

- Obtained a high school diploma, a GED diploma, or a postsecondary education or college degree;
- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant must have completed a 1,325-credit hour study course with at least 7 months at a board approved school;
- Applicant has studied the occupation of hair designer and possesses the requisite skill in such occupation to perform properly all the duties of the occupation;
- Applicant has passed both a written and a practical examination approved by the board.

Authority: O.C.G.A. § 43-10-9

Exam Requirements
An applicant for the cosmetology examination for hair designer shall receive notice of eligibility sent by the Board or the Board's designated agent, stating the date, time and place of examination. The applicant taking the examination shall be required to pass the practical and written examination with a minimum score of 70% on each section.

Authority: Ga. Ch. 130-6

Continuing Education Requirements
The first time an individual renews their license, they are not required to meet the CE requirements. Every renewal after that, the individual must complete 5 hours of CE every 2 years in order to renew the license for master cosmetologist, esthetician, nail technician or hair designer.

Authority: Ga. Ch. 240-3-.01.

Apprenticeship Programs
Georgia has a hair designer apprenticeship license. They must apply through the online application and in turn meet the following requirements:

- Apprentice must train under the direct supervision of a licensed master licensee with at least 36 months’ experience;
- Apprentice must be at least 16 years of age;
- The apprentice will receive a certificate of registration for a period of 4 years;
- The apprentice hair designer must practice for 2,650 hours and train for 14 months.

Authority: GA Cosmetology Apprentice Application
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
Any individual wishing to obtain a certificate of registration to engage in the occupation of cosmetology at the hair designer level, by reciprocity from another state or country, where similar reciprocity is extended to Georgia and licensure requirements are substantially equal to those in Georgia, must obtain the following:

- An application for a license at the appropriate level using the form furnished by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology;
- Copy of current license in state reciprocating from;
- Certification of licensure from out-of-state licensing board sent directly to the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology by the out-of-state or out-of-country licensing board;
- Verifications of good standing from each state in which applicant has been licensed sent from the out-of-state or out-of-country licensing board to the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology;
- Proof that the applicant has met all requirements of the law, rules, and requirements of the Board as set forth in the application;
- Pay the required fee of $50.00.

Authority: GA. Rule 130-8-01

Instructors
Any individual desiring to teach or instruct in a school of hair design in the State of Georgia, is required to make application for a license using the form furnished by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology and show by such application that the applicant has met all of the requirements of the law and rules of the board. The application must include:

- A photo static copy of a current Georgia cosmetology license at the appropriate level;
- Proof of one-year work experience as a licensee at the appropriate level;
- Proof of a high school diploma or GED Certificate;
- An official certification of required credit hours of instructor training from a Board approved school of hair design (obtained within four months);
- Pay the required fee of $30.00;
- Proof of passing a written and practical examination to become an instructor.

Authority: GA. Rule 130-2-05

Barbers

Licensing Requirements
Any person desiring to obtain a certificate of registration to engage in the occupation of a master barber shall make application through the division director to the board and shall present proof that they have:

- Obtained a high school diploma, a general educational development (GED) diploma, or a postsecondary education or college degree;
- Applicant is at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant is of good moral character;
• Applicant has completed a 1,500-credit hour study course of at least nine months at a board approved school;
• Applicant has studied barbering and possesses the requisite skill to perform properly these services;
• Applicant has passed both a written and a practical examination approved by the board.

Authority: O.C.G.A. § 43-10-9

Exam Requirements
Applicants must take and pass both the written and practical examinations. All examinations must be registered through PSI.

Authority: GA Barber Licensure Examination

Continuing Education Requirements
In order to renew a license, each licensee shall provide to the Board proof of completion a total of 5 continuing education hours in a form acceptable to the Board as follows:
• 3 hours of the total 5 hours must be satisfied by a course in health and safety developed or approved by the Board;
• 2 hours of the total 5 hours must be in a course previously registered with the Board in any of the following areas:
  o Industry or trade show, health and safety, industry trends, computer skills, business management, the area of practice for the type of license held by the licensee.

Authority: GA. Rule 240-3-.01

Apprenticeship Programs
Georgia offers apprenticeship licenses for the master barber profession. Interested applicants must fill out the appropriate application and submit it along with the application fee. Master Barber apprentices must practice for a minimum of 18 months and 3000 hours. After completing training, the applicant must request a "letter of eligibility" in order to take the exam.

Authority: Georgia Board of Barbers

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
Any person in another state desiring to apply for a license to be a barber in the State of Georgia is required to make application using the form furnished by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, to submit the required application processing fee(s), and to show by such application that applicant has met all the requirements of the law and rules of the Board. When such application for endorsement for the appropriate licensing level is properly filled out and returned to the Board, it shall be accompanied by the following:
• Proof applicant is at least 17 years of age;
• A copy of a high school diploma, GED diploma, or a postsecondary education or college degree;
• Be of good moral character;
• Verification of a license issued by another state or territory that is currently active and in good standing at the appropriate level for the type of license being applied for:
  o If the state verification does not indicate the examination was administered in English, the Board may accept a sworn statement from the applicant that the exam was taken in English;
  o If the verification for the license was issued by the other state or territory based on reciprocity or endorsement, applicant shall submit a verification for the state in which the original license was issued;
  o If the applicant has been licensed in multiple states, a verification from all states the applicant has been licensed in shall be submitted and shall indicate that no board orders or unpaid citations exist in those states.

Authority: GA Rule 240-11-.01

Instructors
Any person desiring to teach or instruct in a school of barbering in the State of Georgia, is required to make application for a license using the form furnished by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers and show by such application that applicant has met all the requirements of the law and rules of the Board. When such application is properly filled out and returned to the Board, it shall be accompanied by the following:
• The required application processing fee(s) which is non-refundable;
• Proof of a high school diploma or GED certificate of completion from a postsecondary school;
• An appropriate level of Education instructor training. An official certification or transcript indicating successful completion of the required credit hours of instructor training from a Board approved school at the appropriate level;
• Prerequisite license plus Experience:
  o One year licensed as a Master Barber with a license in good standing;
  o One year of documented work experience in a Salon/Shop as a Master Barber.
• Proof of passing a written and practical examination in English to become an instructor.

Authority: GA Rule 240-10-.01

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements
Any individual desiring to obtain a certificate of registration to enable him or her to engage in the occupation of an esthetician shall make application through the division director to the board and shall present proof that he or she has:
• Applicant has obtained a high school diploma, a GED diploma, or a postsecondary education or college degree;
• Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
• Applicant must be of good moral character;
• Applicant must have completed a 1,000-credit hour study course of at least 9 months at a board approved school or has served as an apprentice in a beauty shop, beauty salon, or barber shop for a period of at least 2,000 credit hours;
• Applicant has practiced or studied cosmetic skin care and possesses the requisite skill to perform properly these services;
• Applicant has passed a written and a practical examination approved by the board.

Authority: O.C.G.A. § 43-10-9

Exam Requirements
An application for the cosmetology examination as an esthetician shall notice of eligibility sent by the Board or the Board’s designated agent, stating the date, time and place of examination. The applicant taking the examination shall be required to pass the practical and written examination with a minimum score of 70% on each section. All exams shall be administered in English. No foreign language translators will be allowed or furnished.

Authority: GA Rule 240-6-.2

Continuing Education Requirements
The first time an individual renews their license, they are not required to meet the CE requirements. Every renewal after that, the individual must complete 5 hours of CE every 2 years in order to renew the license for master cosmetologist, esthetician, nail technician or hair designer.

Authority: GA Rule 240-3-.01.

Apprenticeship Programs
Georgia has an esthetician apprentice license. They must apply through the online application and in turn meet the following requirements:
• Apprentice must train under the direct supervision of a licensed master licensee with at least 36 months’ experience;
• Apprentice must be at least 16 years of age;
• The apprentice will receive a certificate of registration for a period of 4 years;
• An apprentice esthetician must practice for 2,000 hours nail and have 18 months of training.

Authority: GA Rule 240-5-.01

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
Any individual wishing to obtain a certificate of registration to engage in the occupation of cosmetology as an esthetician, by reciprocity from another state or country, where similar reciprocity is extended to Georgia and licensure requirements are substantially equal to those in Georgia, must obtain the following:
• An application for a license at the appropriate level using the form furnished by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology;
• Copy of current license in state reciprocating from;
• Certification of licensure from out-of-state licensing board sent directly to the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology by the out-of-state or out-of-country licensing board;
• Verifications of good standing from each state in which applicant has been licensed sent from the out-of-state or out-of-country licensing board to the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology;
• Proof that the applicant has met all requirements of the law, rules, and requirements of the Board as set forth in the application;
• Pay the required fee of $50.00.

Authority: GA Rule 130-8-01

Instructors
Any person desiring to teach or instruct in a school of esthetics in the State of Georgia, is required to make application for a license using the form furnished by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers and show by such application that applicant has met all the requirements of the law and rules of the Board. When such application is properly filled out and returned to the Board, it shall be accompanied by the following:
• Applicant must have the required application processing fee(s) which is non-refundable;
• Applicant must have proof of a high school diploma or GED Certificate or certificate of completion from a postsecondary school;
• Applicant must have an appropriate level of Education instructor training. An official certification or transcript indicating successful completion of the required credit hours of instructor training from a Board approved school at the appropriate level;
• A prerequisite license plus experience:
  o One year licensed as a Master Cosmetologist or Master Barber with a license in good standing;
  o One year of documented work experience in a Salon/Shop as an Esthetician.
• Applicant must have proof of passing a written and practical examination in English to become an instructor.

Authority: GA Rule 240-10-01

Nail Technicians
Licensing Requirements
Any individual desiring to obtain a certificate of registration to enable him or her to engage in the occupation of a nail technician shall make application through the division director to the board and shall present proof that he or she has:
• Applicant has obtained a high school diploma, a general educational development (GED) diploma, or a postsecondary education or college degree;
• Applicant is at least 17 years of age;
• Applicant is of good moral character;
• Applicant has completed a 525-credit hour study course of at least four months at a board approved school or has served as an apprentice in a beauty shop, beauty salon, or barber shop for a period of at least 1,050 credit hours;
• Applicant has practiced or studied nail care and possesses the requisite skill to perform properly these services;
• Applicant has passed both a written and a practical examination approved by the board.

**Authority:** O.C.G.A. § 43-10-9

**Exam Requirements**
An application for the cosmetology examination as a nail technician shall notice of eligibility sent by the Board or the Board's designated agent, stating the date, time and place of examination. The applicant taking the examination shall be required to pass the practical and written examination with a minimum score of 70% on each section. All exams shall be administered in English. No foreign language translators will be allowed or furnished.

**Authority:** GA Rule 240-6-2

**Continuing Education Requirements**
The first time an individual renews their license, they are not required to meet the CE requirements. Every renewal after that, the individual must complete 5 hours of CE every 2 years in order to renew the license.

**Authority:** GA Rule 240-3-01

**Apprenticeship Programs**
Georgia has a nail technician apprentice license. They must apply through the online application and in turn meet the following requirements:
• Apprentice must train under the direct supervision of a licensed master licensee with at least 36 months' experience;
• Apprentice must be at least 16 years of age;
• The apprentice will receive a certificate of registration for a period of 4 years;
• An apprentice nail technician must practice for 1,050 hours and have 8 months of training.

**Authority:** GA Rule 240-5-01

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**
Any individual wishing to obtain a certificate of registration to engage in the occupation of cosmetology as a nail technician, by reciprocity from another state or country, where similar reciprocity is extended to Georgia and licensure requirements are substantially equal to those in Georgia, must obtain the following:
• An application for a license at the appropriate level using the form furnished by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology;
• Copy of current license in state reciprocating from;
- Certification of licensure from out-of-state licensing board sent directly to the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology by the out-of-state or out-of-country licensing board;
- Verifications of good standing from each state in which applicant has been licensed sent from the out-of-state or out-of-country licensing board to the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology;
- Proof that the applicant has met all requirements of the law, rules, and requirements of the Board as set forth in the application;
- Pay the required fee of $50.00.

Authority: GA Rule 130-8-01

**Instructors**

Any person desiring to teach or instruct in a school of nail care, is required to make application for a license using the form furnished by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers and show by such application that applicant has met all the requirements of the law and rules of the Board. When such application is properly filled out and returned to the Board, it shall be accompanied by the following:

- Applicant must have the required application processing fee(s) which is non-refundable;
- Applicant must have proof of a high school diploma or GED Certificate or certificate of completion from a postsecondary school;
- Applicant must have an appropriate level of Education instructor training. An official certification or transcript indicating successful completion of the required credit hours of instructor training from a Board approved school at the appropriate level;
- A prerequisite license plus experience:
  - One year licensed as a Master Cosmetologist or Master Barber with a license in good standing;
  - One year of documented work experience in a Salon/Shop as a nail technician.
- Applicant must have proof of passing a written and practical examination in English to become an instructor.

Authority: GA Rule 240-10-.01

**Make-up Artists**

Make-up artists have two options to licensure. An individual can either obtain a master cosmetology license or they can obtain an estheticians license.

Authority: GA Make-up Artist Licensing

**Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile cosmetology services are not allowed.

Authority: GA Rule 240-4-.01 (2b)
**High School Cosmetology Programs**
Georgia has high school cosmetology programs through vocational schools. A student will take classes from 9th grade through 12th grade.

*Authority: Georgia Cosmetology Board*

**Additional Professions Licensed**
Georgia does not require a license for any other beauty profession. Georgia may require certain regulations and rules for some professions.
HAWAII

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Hawaii Administrative Rules and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or possess an education equivalent;
- Applicant must complete the required classroom hours at an approved beauty school to receive licensure; or
- Applicants may also complete the required hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must pass the required examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Operator Requirements and Instructions

Exam Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 1,800 class hours; or
- Applicant must complete 3,600 hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must take both a written and practical examination;
- A score of 75 percent or above is required to pass each exam;
- Applicant must submit the exam registration form and the required fees by the deadline date.

Authority: Hawaii Candidate Informational Bulletin

Continuing Education Requirements

Hawaii does not require continuing education for cosmetologists. All licenses, regardless of when issued, expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Operator Requirements and Instructions

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Hawaii shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- 3,600 is the minimum number of apprentice hours required for a cosmetology license;
- The maximum length of time of apprenticeship training for the beauty apprentice is 42 months at a minimum of 20 hours a week;
- Apprenticeship training shall occur only at licensed shops under supervision of licensed barbers or beauty operators in the appropriate license category;
• The apprenticeship training curriculum is provided for in the Administrative Rules of the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology: HAR §16-78-19 for beauty apprentices;
• The licensed beauty operator shall be able to train only 1 apprentice per apprenticeship period;
• The beauty operator must have at least one year of licensed experience;
• Training progress reports are required to be submitted to the Board on a periodic basis by the shop owner and apprentice supervisor.

Authority: Hawaii Barber or Beauty Apprentice Information and Instructions

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Hawaii, based on holding a current valid license in another jurisdiction, an Applicant must submit an Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Qualification details:
• The license will only be recognized for the hours of training that are recognized in the jurisdiction that issued the license;
• If the jurisdiction's training hours are less than the number required for Hawaii, then you must make up the difference with school training, or apprentice hours, or provide evidence of one year of licensed experience with the out-of-state license;
• A qualified person (owner, manager, supervisor) must provide a written statement verifying the out-of-state experience by completing the "Experience Verification" form;
• A minimum of at least 1 year of applicable experience is necessary to be recognized by the Board, and will satisfy the general education requirement and/or any difference in the training requirement.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Operator Requirements and Instructions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant must be currently licensed as a beauty operator or instructor for at least 1 year in Hawaii or in another jurisdiction;
• Applicant must have completed at least 600 hours of beauty school instructor training in compliance with the Board’s curriculum;
• Applicant must apply with the board for examination and temporary permit;
• Applicant must submit any requested information and pay the license fees noted on the accompanying "Fees Due" notice sent with the examination results;
• All licenses, regardless of when licenses were issued, expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Instructor Requirements and Instructions
Hairdresser

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in Hairdressing shall obtain a license in compliance with the Hawaii Administrative Rules and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or possess an education equivalent;
- Applicant must complete the required classroom hours at an approved beauty school to receive licensure; or
- Applicants may also complete the required hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must pass the required examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Operator Requirements and Instructions

Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must have at least 1,250 hours completed at an approved beauty school; or
- Applicant shall complete 2,500 hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must take both a written and practical examination;
- A score of 75 percent or above is required to pass each exam;
- Applicant must submit the exam registration form and the required fees by the deadline date.

Authority: Hawaii Candidate Informational Bulletin

Continuing Education Requirements

Hawaii does not require continuing education for hairdressers. All licenses, regardless of when issued, expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Operator Requirements and Instructions

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Hawaii shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- 2,500 is the minimum number of apprentice hours required for a cosmetology license;
- The maximum length of time of apprenticeship training for the beauty apprentice is 42 months at a minimum of 20 hours a week;
- Apprenticeship training shall occur only at licensed shops under supervision of licensed barbers or beauty operators in the appropriate license category;
- The apprenticeship training curriculum is provided for in the Administrative Rules of the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology: HAR §16-78-19 for beauty apprentices;
• The licensed beauty operator shall be able to train only 1 apprentice per apprenticeship period;
• The beauty operator must have at least one year of licensed experience;
• Training progress reports are required to be submitted to the Board on a periodic basis by the shop owner and apprentice supervisor.

Authority: Hawaii Barber or Beauty Apprentice Information and Instructions

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Hawaii, based on holding a current valid license in another jurisdiction, an Applicant must submit an Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Qualification details:
• The license will only be recognized for the hours of training that are recognized in the jurisdiction that issued the license;
• If the jurisdiction’s training hours are less than the number required for Hawaii, then you must make up the difference with school training, or apprentice hours, or provide evidence of one year of licensed experience with the out-of-state license;
• A qualified person (owner, manager, supervisor) must provide a written statement verifying the out-of-state experience by completing the "Experience Verification" form;
• A minimum of at least 1 year of applicable experience is necessary to be recognized by the Board, and will satisfy the general education requirement and/or any difference in the training requirement.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Operator Requirements and Instructions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in Hairdressing instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant must be currently licensed as a beauty operator or instructor for at least 1 year in Hawaii or in another jurisdiction;
• Applicant must have completed at least 600 hours of beauty school instructor training in compliance with the Board’s curriculum;
• Applicant must apply with the board for examination and temporary permit;
• Applicant must submit any requested information and pay the license fees noted on the accompanying "Fees Due" notice sent with the examination results;
• All licenses, regardless of when licenses were issued, expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Instructor Requirements and Instructions

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Hawaii Administrative Rules and shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant must be at least 17 years of age or older;
• Applicant must have completed the required hours of barber school or apprenticeship training;
• Applicant must pass the required examinations;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees to obtain licensure.

Authority: Hawaii Barber Requirements and Instructions

Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant must complete 1,500 class hours or apprenticeship hours to qualify for examination;
• A score of 75 percent or above is required to pass each exam, written and practical.
• Applicant must submit their exam registration form and exam fee to Prometric by the deadline date.

Authority: Hawaii Candidate Information Bulletin

Continuing Education Requirements

Hawaii does not require continuing education for barbers. All licenses, regardless of when issued, expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year.

Authority: Hawaii Barber Requirements and Instructions

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Hawaii shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:
• 1,500 is the minimum number of apprentice hours required for a cosmetology license;
• The maximum length of time of apprenticeship training for the beauty apprentice is 42 months at a minimum of 20 hours a week;
• Apprenticeship training shall occur only at licensed shops under supervision of licensed barbers or beauty operators in the appropriate license category;
• The apprenticeship training curriculum is provided for in the Administrative Rules of the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology: HAR §16-78-19 for beauty apprentices;
• The licensed beauty operator shall be able to train only 1 apprentice per apprenticeship period;
• The beauty operator must have at least one year of licensed experience;
• Training progress reports are required to be submitted to the Board on a periodic basis by the shop owner and apprentice supervisor.

Authority: Hawaii Barber or Beauty Apprentice Information and Instructions
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Applicant must submit a copy of their out-of-State license and/or transcript of training that identifies the barber training subjects and hours of each subject that have been completed;
- Also, verification of experience of at least 6 months is necessary if their training is less than 1,500 clock hours;
- The Board may accept only the number of hours recognized by the jurisdiction that issued the license.

Authority: Hawaii Barber Requirements and Instructions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be currently licensed as a beauty operator or instructor for at least 1 year in Hawaii or in another jurisdiction;
- Applicant must have completed at least 600 hours of beauty school instructor training in compliance with the Board’s curriculum;
- Applicant must apply with the board for examination and temporary permit;
- Applicant must submit any requested information and pay the license fees noted on the accompanying "Fees Due" notice sent with the examination results;
- All licenses, regardless of when licenses were issued, expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Instructor Requirements and Instructions

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the Hawaii Administrative Rules and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or possess an education equivalent;
- Applicant must complete the required classroom hours at an approved beauty school to receive licensure; or
- Applicants may also complete the required hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must pass the required examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: Esthetician License Requirements

Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 600 class hours to qualify for examination; or
- Applicant shall complete 1,200 hours of apprenticeship;
• Applicant must take both a written and practical examination;
• A score of 75 percent or above is required to pass each exam;
• Applicant must submit the exam registration form and the required fees by the deadline date.

Authority: Hawaii Candidate Informational Bulletin

Continuing Education Requirements

Hawaii does not require continuing education for Estheticians. All licenses, regardless of when issued, expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Operator Requirements and Instructions

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Hawaii shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:
• 1,200 is the minimum number of apprentice hours required for a cosmetology license;
• The maximum length of time of apprenticeship training for the beauty apprentice is 42 months at a minimum of 20 hours a week;
• Apprenticeship training shall occur only at licensed shops under supervision of licensed barbers or beauty operators in the appropriate license category;
• The apprenticeship training curriculum is provided for in the Administrative Rules of the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology: HAR §16-78-19 for beauty apprentices;
• The licensed beauty operator shall be able to train only 1 apprentice per apprenticeship period;
• The beauty operator must have at least one year of licensed experience;
• Training progress reports are required to be submitted to the Board on a periodic basis by the shop owner and apprentice supervisor.

Authority: Hawaii Barber or Beauty Apprentice Information and Instructions

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Hawaii, based on holding a current valid license in another jurisdiction, an Applicant must submit an Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Qualification details:
• The license will only be recognized for the hours of training that are recognized in the jurisdiction that issued the license;
• If the jurisdiction’s training hours are less than the number required for Hawaii, then you must make up the difference with school training, or apprentice hours, or provide evidence of one year of licensed experience with the out-of-state license;
• A qualified person (owner, manager, supervisor) must provide a written statement verifying the out-of-state experience by completing the "Experience Verification" form;
A minimum of at least 1 year of applicable experience is necessary to be recognized by the Board, and will satisfy the general education requirement and/or any difference in the training requirement.

**Authority:** Hawaii Beauty Operator Requirements and Instructions

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant must be currently licensed as a beauty operator or instructor for at least 1 year in Hawaii or in another jurisdiction;
- Applicant must have completed at least 600 hours of beauty school instructor training in compliance with the Board's curriculum;
- Applicant must apply with the board for examination and temporary permit;
- Applicant must submit any requested information and pay the license fees noted on the accompanying "Fees Due" notice sent with the examination results;
- All licenses, regardless of when licenses were issued, expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year.

**Authority:** Hawaii Beauty Instructor Requirements and Instructions

**Nail Technicians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology (or manicuring) shall obtain a license in compliance with the Hawaii Administrative Rules and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant must be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or possess an education equivalent;
- Applicant must complete the required classroom hours at an approved beauty school to receive licensure; or
- Applicants may also complete the required hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must pass the required examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

**Authority:** Nail Technician License Requirements

**Examination Requirements**

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicant must complete 350 class hours to qualify for examination; or
- Applicant shall complete 700 hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must take both a written and practical examination;
- A score of 75 percent or above is required to pass each exam;
- Applicant must submit the exam registration form and the required fees by the deadline date.

**Authority:** Hawaii Candidate Informational Bulletin
Continuing Education Requirements

Hawaii does not require continuing education for Nail Technicians. All licenses, regardless of when issued, expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Operator Requirements and Instructions

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Hawaii shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- 700 is the minimum number of apprentice hours required for a cosmetology license;
- The maximum length of time of apprenticeship training for the beauty apprentice is 42 months at a minimum of 20 hours a week;
- Apprenticeship training shall occur only at licensed shops under supervision of licensed barbers or beauty operators in the appropriate license category;
- The apprenticeship training curriculum is provided for in the Administrative Rules of the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology: HAR §16-78-19 for beauty apprentices;
- The licensed beauty operator shall be able to train only 1 apprentice per apprenticeship period;
- The beauty operator must have at least one year of licensed experience;
- Training progress reports are required to be submitted to the Board on a periodic basis by the shop owner and apprentice supervisor.

Authority: Hawaii Barber or Beauty Apprentice Information and Instructions

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Hawaii, based on holding a current valid license in another jurisdiction, an Applicant must submit an Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Qualification details:

- The license will only be recognized for the hours of training that are recognized in the jurisdiction that issued the license;
- If the jurisdiction's training hours are less than the number required for Hawaii, then you must make up the difference with school training, or apprentice hours, or provide evidence of one year of licensed experience with the out-of-state license;
- A qualified person (owner, manager, supervisor) must provide a written statement verifying the out-of-state experience by completing the "Experience Verification" form;
- A minimum of at least 1 year of applicable experience is necessary to be recognized by the Board, and will satisfy the general education requirement and/or any difference in the training requirement.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Operator Requirements and Instructions
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be currently licensed as a beauty operator or instructor for at least 1 year in Hawaii or in another jurisdiction;
- Applicant must have completed at least 600 hours of beauty school instructor training in compliance with the Board's curriculum;
- Applicant must apply with the board for examination and temporary permit;
- Applicant must submit any requested information and pay the license fees noted on the accompanying "Fees Due" notice sent with the examination results;
- All licenses, regardless of when licenses were issued, expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year.

Authority: Hawaii Beauty Instructor Requirements and Instructions

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Esthetics and Cosmetology.

Authority: H.R.S. § 439-1. Definitions

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Hawaii does not regulate mobile cosmetology services.

Authority: H.R.S. § 439-1. Definitions

High School Cosmetology Programs

Cosmetology schools in Hawaii must be postsecondary institutions. Hawaii does not have high school cosmetology programs available.

Authority: H.R.S. § 439-18. Schools

Additional Professions Licensed

- Electrology
- Massage Therapy
- Tattoo
Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Idaho Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 and ½ years old;
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall have completed the required hours of training;
- Applicant shall pass the Board approved exams through the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC);
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 2,000 hours of instruction is a licensed school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall complete 4,000 hours of training as an apprentice;
- Applicant shall pass a theory examination and a practical examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses must be renewed each year in Idaho.


Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Idaho shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license.

Along with those requirements the following must be met:

- Applicant shall complete the minimum requirement for apprentice training of 4,000 hours;
- All Apprentices shall be under the supervision of a licensed instructor;
- Establishments employing apprentices shall keep a daily work record of hours worked and instruction given to the apprentice.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Idaho does not offer license reciprocity. To obtain a license in Idaho, based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must submit an Endorsement Application.

Requirements to receive license:
- Applicant must be at least 18 years old;
- Applicant shall be of good moral character;
- Applicant must have completed 2 years of high school or the equivalent;
- Applicant holds a current license that was obtained through standards equal to or greater than that of Idaho; or
- Applicant has work experience under the license issued within the other state for at least 3 of the last 5 years;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

If these requirements are not met, additional training and examination will be required.


Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall complete 12 semester college credit hours or equivalent as approved by the Board; or
- Applicant shall successfully complete the required examination;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

And the Applicant must meet one of the following:
- Applicant shall possess a current license as a cosmetologist and shall complete a 6-month teacher’s course of instruction in a school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall have 2 years of experience as a licensed cosmetologist and shall complete a 3-month teacher’s course of instruction; or
- Applicant shall have 5 years as a licensed cosmetologist immediately preceding the application for license.

Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.

Haircutter

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in haircutting shall obtain a license in compliance with the Idaho Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall be at least 16 and ½ years old;
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall have completed the required hours of training;
- Applicant shall pass the Board approved exams through the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC);
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall complete 900 hours of instruction in a licensed school or cosmetology;
• Applicant shall pass a theory examination and a practical examination;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses must be renewed each year in Idaho.


Apprenticeship Programs

There are no haircutting apprenticeships in Idaho.

Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Idaho does not offer license reciprocity. To obtain a license in Idaho, based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must submit an Endorsement Application.

Requirements to receive license:
• Applicant must be at least 18 years old;
• Applicant shall be of good moral character;
• Applicant must have completed 2 years of high school or the equivalent;
• Applicant holds a current license that was obtained through standards equal to or greater than that of Idaho; or
• Applicant has work experience under the license issued within the other state for at least 3 of the last 5 years;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

If these requirements are not met, additional training and examination will be required.


Instructors

There are no specific haircutting instructors in Idaho. To be a licensed as an instructor in haircutting, a cosmetology license is necessary.
Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Idaho Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 and ½ years old;
- Applicant shall be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the Board approved examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 900 hours of instruction in a licensed barbering school;
- Applicant shall pass the written examination and practical demonstration;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for Barber licenses. However, Barber Instructors are required to obtain 20 hours of continued education within the 12 months before renewal. Licenses must be renewed each year in Idaho.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Idaho does not offer license reciprocity. To obtain a license in Idaho, based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must submit an Application.

Requirements to receive license:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years old;
Applicant shall be of good moral character;
Applicant must have completed 2 years of high school or the equivalent;
Applicant holds a current license that was obtained through standards equal to or greater than that of Idaho; or
Applicant has work experience under the license issued within the other state for at least 3 of the last 5 years;
Applicant shall pay any required fees.

If these requirements are not met, additional training and examination will be required.

Authority: I.C. § 54-512. Persons Having Practiced Barbering or Barber-Styling In Another State or Country.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must hold a current barber license in Idaho;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant completes a 6-month course of barber instructing in a licensed barber school;
- Applicant has 1 year of experience in as a licensed barber; or
- Applicant has 1-year experience as an apprentice in a licensed barber school;
- Applicant shall successfully pass then examination approved by the Board;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.


Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the Idaho Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 and ½ years old;
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall have completed the required hours of training;
- Applicant shall pass the Board approved exams through the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC);
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 600 hours of instruction is a licensed school or cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall complete 1,200 hours of training as an apprentice;
- Applicant shall pass a theory examination and a practical examination;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses must be renewed each year in Idaho.


Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Idaho shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license.

Along with this the following requirements must be met:
• Applicant shall complete the minimum requirement for apprentice training of 1,200 hours;
• All Apprentices shall be under the supervision of a licensed instructor;
• Establishments employing apprentices shall keep a daily work record of hours worked and instruction given to the apprentice.


License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Idaho does not offer license reciprocity. To obtain a license in Idaho, based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must submit an Endorsement Application.

Requirements to receive license:
• Applicant must be at least 18 years old;
• Applicant shall be of good moral character;
• Applicant must have completed 2 years of high school or the equivalent;
• Applicant holds a current license that was obtained through standards equal to or greater than that of Idaho; or
• Applicant has work experience under the license issued within the other state for at least 3 of the last 5 years;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

If these requirements are not met, additional training and examination will be required.


Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall complete 12 semester college credit hours or equivalent as approved by the Board; or
• Applicant shall successfully complete the required examination;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.
And the Applicant must meet one of the following:

- Applicant shall possess a current license as an esthetician and shall complete a 6-month teacher's course of instruction in a school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall have 2 years of experience as a licensed esthetician and shall complete a 3-month teacher's course of instruction; or
- Applicant shall have 5 years as a licensed esthetician immediately preceding the application for license.

*Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.*

**Nail Technicians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Idaho Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 and ½ years old;
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall have completed the required hours of training;
- Applicant shall pass the Board approved exams through the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC);
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.*

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 400 hours of instruction is a licensed school or cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall complete 800 hours of training as an apprentice;
- Applicant shall pass a theory examination and a practical examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant must pay any required fees.

*Authority: I.C. § 54-805. Requirements for License.*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses must be renewed each year in Idaho.

*Authority: I.C. § 54-815. Renewal and Reinstatement of Licenses.*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Idaho shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license.

Along with this the following requirements must be met:
Applicant shall complete the minimum requirement for apprentice training of 800 hours; 
- All Apprentices shall be under the supervision of a licensed instructor; 
- Establishments employing apprentices shall keep a daily work record of hours worked and instruction given to the apprentice.

**Authority:** [I.C. § 54-807, Practice of Apprentice](#)

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

Idaho does not offer license reciprocity. To obtain a license in Idaho, based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must submit an Endorsement Application.

**Requirements to receive license:**
- Applicant must be at least 18 years old;
- Applicant shall be of good moral character;
- Applicant must have completed 2 years of high school or the equivalent;
- Applicant holds a current license that was obtained through standards equal to or greater than that of Idaho; or
- Applicant has work experience under the license issued within the other state for at least 3 of the last 5 years;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

If these requirements are not met, additional training and examination will be required.

**Authority:** [I.C. § 54-812, Endorsement Licensure](#)

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall complete 12 semester college credit hours or equivalent as approved by the Board; or
- Applicant shall successfully complete the required examination;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Applicants must also meet one of the following:
- Applicant shall possess a current license as a nail technologist and shall complete a 6-month teacher's course of instruction in a school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall have 2 years of experience as a licensed nail technologist and shall complete a 3-month teacher's course of instruction; or
- Applicant shall have 5 years as a licensed nail technologist immediately preceding the application for license.

**Authority:** [I.C. § 54-805, Requirements for License](#)
Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

Authority: I.C. § 54-802, Definitions.

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Services are not permitted in Idaho.

Authority: I.C. § 54-803, Regulations of Cosmetological Establishments.

High School Cosmetology Programs

There are no specific rules in Idaho prohibiting high school students participating in cosmetology programs. The student is required to complete the same number of hours of instruction within a cosmetology program as any non-high school student. Programs are offered on the high school level.

Authority: I.C. § 54-805, Requirements for License, 2001 Board Meeting Minutes: discussing high school cosmetology programs

Additional Professions Licensed

- Barber-Stylist
- Electrology
- Glamour Photography Business
- Massage Therapy
- Retail Cosmetics Dealers

Tattooing and Body Piercing in not Licensed in Idaho, though there are laws that limit its practice.
ILLINOIS

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Illinois Compiled Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
• Applicant shall have received a certificate of graduation from a school of secondary education or equivalent; or
• Applicant is beyond the age of compulsory school attendance;
• Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall pass an examination through PSI;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Any person who is a barber school graduate can be licensed as a cosmetologist if they complete 500 additional hours of study and take an examination. For more information refer to Sec. 3-3 Licensure as a cosmetologist by a barber school graduate.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3-2 Licensure; qualifications.

Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant shall successfully complete 1,500 hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall take a written examination testing both theoretical and practical knowledge;
• Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3-6 Examination.

Continuing Education Requirements

The initial renewal of a cosmetology license requires continuing education. Cosmetology licenses expire on September 30th of odd numbered years. 14 hours of continuing education are required for cosmetology licenses and 24 hours are required for cosmetology teachers. The continuing education hours must include:

• 1 hour of domestic violence and sexual assault awareness.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3-7 Licensure; renewal; continuing education.

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Illinois. Cosmetology education must be received in a Board approved school. However, schools do offer an internship program which can count for up to 150 hours of the 1,500 required for licensure.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Illinois. To obtain a license in Illinois, based on holding a current valid license in another state, jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means. If license was obtained outside of the country, 3 years of verified work experience are required. Applicants will be given 300 hours of educational credit for every year that they have been lawfully employed, but Applicants must provide evidence of work experience. The Board determines on a case by case basis whether the licenses will transfer.

If the previous experience and education are not enough the Board will ask that the Applicant completes a 250-hour refresher course or passes an examination.


Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be 18 years or older;
- Applicant shall have graduated from high school or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall hold a current cosmetology license;
- Applicant shall complete a teacher instruction program of 500 hours and has 2 years of practical experience; or
- Applicant shall complete 1,000 hours of a teacher instruction program; or
- Applicant shall complete the barber teacher training and then complete a supplemental cosmetology course;
- Applicant shall pass an examination;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3-4 Licensure as cosmetology teacher or cosmetology clinic teacher; qualifications.

Hairstylists

Hairstylists are licensed under Cosmetology and Barbering.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3-1 Cosmetology defined and 225 ILCS 410/2-1 Barbering defined.

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Illinois Compiled Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
- Applicant shall have received a certificate of graduation from a school of secondary education or equivalent; or
• Applicant is beyond the age of compulsory school attendance;
• Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall pass an examination through PSI;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Any person who is a cosmetology school graduate can be licensed as a barber if they complete 500 additional hours of study and take an examination. For more information refer to Sec. 2-3 Licensure as a barber by a cosmetology school graduate.

**Authority:**  225 ILCS 410/2-2 Licensure as a barber; qualifications.

### Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant shall successfully complete 1,500 hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall take a written examination testing both theoretical and practical knowledge;
• Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:**  225 ILCS 410/2-7. Examination of Applicants.

### Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire on July 31st of every odd numbered year.

**Authority:**  68 Ill. Admin. Code pt. 1175.225 Renewals.

### Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Illinois. An Applicant’s training must be received from an approved barber school.

**Authority:**  68 Ill. Admin. Code pt. 1175.200 Examination-Barber.

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Illinois. To obtain a license in Illinois, based on holding a current valid license in another state, jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means. 3 years of work experience are required if the previous license was achieved without examination or if the Applicant fails to provide Examination scores. Applicants will be given 300 hours of educational credit for every year that they have been lawfully employed, but Applicants must provide evidence of work experience. The Board determines on a case by case basis whether the licenses will transfer.

If the previous experience and education are not enough, the Board will ask the Applicant to pass an examination. They may require additional education before this.
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be 18 years or older;
- Applicant shall have graduated from high school or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall hold a current barber or cosmetology license;
- Applicant shall complete a teacher instruction program of 500 hours and has 3 years of practical experience; or
- Applicant shall complete 1,000 hours of a teacher instruction program; or
- Applicant shall complete the cosmetology teacher training and then complete a supplemental barbering course;
- Applicant shall pass an examination;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/2-4. Licensure as a barber teacher; qualifications.

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the Illinois Compiled Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
- Applicant shall have received a certificate of graduation from a school of secondary education or equivalent; or
- Applicant is beyond the age of compulsory school attendance;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall take and pass an examination through PSI;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3A-2. Licensure as an esthetician; qualifications.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall successfully complete 750 hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall take a written examination testing both theoretical and practical knowledge;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Continuing Education Requirements

The initial renewal of an esthetician license requires continuing education. Esthetician licenses expire on September 30th of odd numbered years. 10 hours of continuing education are required for an esthetician license and 20 hours are required for esthetics teachers. The continuing education hours must include:

- 1 hour of domestic violence and sexual assault awareness.


Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Illinois. Instruction must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3A-2. Licensure as an esthetician; qualifications.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Illinois. To obtain a license in Illinois, based on holding a current valid license in another state, jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means. Applicants will be given 300 hours of educational credit for every year that they have been lawfully employed, but Applicants must provide evidence of work experience. The Board determines on a case by case basis whether the licenses will transfer.

If the previous experience and education are not enough the Board will ask the Applicant to pass an examination. They may require additional education before this.


Instructors

Any individual wishing to become an esthetician instructor shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be 18 years or older;
- Applicant shall have graduated from high school or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall hold a current esthetician or cosmetology license;
- Applicant shall complete a teacher instruction program of 500 hours and has 2 years of practical experience; or
- Applicant shall complete 750 hours of a teacher instruction program; or
- Applicant shall pass an examination;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3A-3. Licensure as an esthetics teacher; qualifications.
Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Illinois Compiled Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
- Applicant shall have received a certificate of graduation from a school of secondary education or equivalent; or
- Applicant is beyond the age of compulsory school attendance;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall take and pass an examination through PSI;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3C-2, License; qualifications.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall successfully complete 350 hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall take a written examination testing both theoretical and practical knowledge;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3C-7, Examinations.

Continuing Education Requirements

The initial renewal of a nail technician license requires continuing education. Nail technician licenses expire on October 31st of even numbered years. 10 hours are required for a nail technician license and 20 hours are required for nail technology teachers. The continuing education hours must include:

- 1 hour of domestic violence and sexual assault awareness.


Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Illinois. Instruction must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3C-2, License; qualifications.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Illinois. To obtain a license in Illinois, based on holding a current valid license in another state, jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means. Applicants will be given 75 hours of educational credit for every year that they have been lawfully
employed, but Applicants must provide evidence of work experience. An Applicant who has
graduated from a nail technology program in another jurisdiction with less than 350 hours may
only acquire a maximum of 50 hours of nail technology training from a licensed Illinois cosmetology
or nail technology school. The Board determines on a case by case basis whether the licenses will
transfer.

If the previous experience and education are not enough the Board will ask the Applicant to pass an
examination. They may require additional education before this.


Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be 18 years or older;
- Applicant shall have graduated from high school or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall hold a current nail technician or cosmetology license;
- Applicant shall complete a teacher instruction program of 500 hours and has 2 years of
  practical experience; or
- Applicant shall complete 625 hours of a teacher instruction program;
- Applicant shall pass an examination;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3C-3. Licensure as a nail technology teacher; qualifications.

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3-1 Cosmetology defined and 225 ILCS 410/3A-1 Esthetics defined.

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile salons are licensed in Illinois.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3D-5 Requisites for ownership or operation of cosmetology... shops.

High School Cosmetology Programs

Cosmetology schools in Illinois must be postsecondary institutions. However, there are no specific
rules governing high school cosmetology programs in Illinois. Illinois does offer programs on the
high school level.

Authority: 225 ILCS 410/3B-1. Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair Braiding, and Nail Technology Schools.
Additional Professions Licensed

- Body Piercing
- Electrology
- Hair Braiding
- Massage Therapy
- Tattooing
INDIANA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology, shall obtain a license in compliance with the Indiana Board of Cosmetology and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicants shall have 10th grade education or equivalent;
- If the applicant has a conviction record, a copy of the conviction must be included with the application that indicates the disposition of the conviction, the type and date of the conviction, time served, and the disposition of any probation being served or successfully completed;
- Applicant must complete the required hours of education at a state licensed beauty culture school;
- Applicant shall pass a written and a practical examination;
- Applicant shall submit an application to the Board with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Cosmetologist Application Instructions – By Examination

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant has completed 1,500 hours of study or equivalent number of credit hours;
- The applicant shall pass a written examination through PSI and the practical exam;
- Applicant must receive a 75% or greater on the examinations;
- Upon passing, the applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: IC § 25-8-4-9, IC § 25-8-5-3

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Indiana.

Authority: Renewal Documents

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Indiana. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: Cosmetologist Application Instructions – By Examination
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license by reciprocity while holding a current valid license in another state, country, or jurisdiction, an applicant must complete the following:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must have completed 10th grade education or equivalent;
- Applicant must have a licensed certificate;
  - If from a foreign country, applicant must include an English translation of the documents;
- Applicant must have had at least 1,500 hours of education; or
- Applicant must meet one of the following if license was obtained with less than 1,500 hours:
  - Licensed for LESS THAN 20 years: 1 year of licensed experience is equal to 100 hours of education to an applicant who has completed a minimum of 1000 hours of education;
- All applications must be accompanied by the application fee;
- Applicant must have received a 70% passing on the written and practical exams;
- For Jurisdictions outside the United States only: Please submit high school diploma (or record of last year attended) and beauty culture school transcript. If the original documents are in a foreign language, a certified translation in English must accompany the original documents;
- If you have a conviction record, include a copy of the conviction record that indicates the disposition of the conviction. It should include the type and date of the conviction, time served, if applicable, and the disposition of any probation being served or successfully completed.

Authority: Cosmetology Application Instructions – By Reciprocity

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall obtain a license in compliance with the Indiana State Board of Cosmetology and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must have graduated from high school education or equivalent;
- Applicant must currently hold a cosmetology license;
- Applicant must have completed 1000 hours of education at a Beauty Culture School;
- Applicant shall pass a written examination through the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency;
- All applications must be accompanied by the application fee;

Authority: Beauty Culture Instructor Application Instructions – By Examination

Stylists

Stylist are licensed under Cosmetology and Barbering.

Authority: IC § 25-8-2-5 and IC § 25-8-2-2.7
Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering, shall obtain a license in compliance with the Board of Cosmetology of the state of Indiana and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age; or
- 17 years of age and a graduate of high school or equivalent;
- If the applicant has a conviction record, a copy of the conviction must be included with the application that indicates the disposition of the conviction, the type and date of the conviction, time served, and the disposition of any probation being served or successfully completed;
- Applicant must complete the required hours of education at a state licensed beauty culture school;
- Applicant shall pass a written and a practical examination;
- Applicant shall submit an application to the Board with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Barber Application Instructions – By Examination

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant has completed of 1,500 hours of study or equivalent number of credit hours;
- The applicant shall pass a written examination through PSI and a practical exam;
- Applicant must obtain a 75% or greater in order to pass the exams;
- Upon passing, the applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: IC 25-8-12.1-3

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Indiana.

Authority: Renewal Documents

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Indiana. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: Barber Application Instructions – By Examination

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license by reciprocity while holding a current valid license in another state, country, or jurisdiction, an applicant must complete the following:

- Applicant must have a licensed certificate;
If from a foreign country, applicant must include an English translation of the documents;

- Applicant must have had at least 1,500 hours of education; or

- Applicant must meet one of the following if license was obtained with less than 1,500 hours:
  - Licensed for LESS THAN 20 years: 1 year of licensed experience is equal to 100 hours of education to an applicant who has completed a minimum of 1000 hours of education;

- All applications must be accompanied by the application fee;

- Applicant must have received a 70% passing on the written and practical exams;

- For Jurisdictions outside the United States only: Please submit high school diploma (or record of last year attended) and beauty culture school transcript. If the original documents are in a foreign language, a certified translation in English must accompany the original documents;

- If you have a conviction record, include a copy of the conviction record that indicates the disposition of the conviction. It should include the type and date of the conviction, time served, if applicable, and the disposition of any probation being served or successfully completed.

Authority: Barber Application Instructions – By Reciprocity

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must have graduated from high school education or equivalent;
- Applicant must currently hold a barbering license;
- Applicant must have completed 1000 hours of education at a Beauty Culture School;
- Applicant shall pass a written examination through the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency;
- All applications must be accompanied by the application fee;

Authority: Beauty Culture Instructor Application Instructions – By Examination

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics, shall obtain a license in compliance with the Board of Cosmetology of the state of Indiana and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicants shall have 10th grade education or equivalent;
- If the applicant has a conviction record, a copy of the conviction must be included with the application that indicates the disposition of the conviction, the type and date of the conviction, time served, and the disposition of any probation being served or successfully completed;
- Applicant must complete the required hours of education at a state licensed beauty culture school;
- Applicant shall pass a written and a practical examination;
- Applicant shall submit an application to the Board with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: [Esthetician Examination Application Instructions](#)

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- The applicant has completed of 700 hours of study or equivalent number of credit hours;
- The applicant shall pass a written examination through PSI and the practical exam;
- Applicant must receive a 75% or greater on the examinations;
- Upon passing, the applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: [IC § 25-8-4-9, IC § 25-8-5-3](#)

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Indiana.

Authority: [Renewal Documents](#)

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Indiana. An Applicant's education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: [Esthetician Examination Application Instructions](#)

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license by reciprocity while holding a current valid license in another state, country, or jurisdiction, an applicant must complete the following:
- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must have completed eighth grade education or equivalent;
- Applicant must have a licensed certificate;
  - If from a foreign country, applicant must include an English translation of the documents;
- Applicant must have had at least 700 hours of education; or
- Applicant must meet one of the following if license was obtained with less than 700 hours:
  - Licensed for LESS THAN 20 years: 1 year of licensed experience is equal to 100 hours of education to an applicant who has completed a minimum of 400 hours of education;
- All applications must be accompanied by the application fee;
- Applicant must have received a 70% passing on the written and practical exams;
- For Jurisdictions outside the United States only: Please submit high school diploma (or record of last year attended) and beauty culture school transcript. If the original documents are in a foreign language, a certified translation in English must accompany the original documents;
- If you have a conviction record, include a copy of the conviction record that indicates the disposition of the conviction. It should include the type and date of the conviction, time...
served, if applicable, and the disposition of any probation being served or successfully completed.

Authority: [Esthetician Application Instructions – By Reciprocity](#)

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must have graduated from high school education or equivalent;
- Applicant must currently hold an esthetics license;
- Applicant must have completed 1000 hours of education at a Beauty Culture School;
- Applicant shall pass a written examination through the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency;
- All applications must be accompanied by the application fee;

Authority: [Beauty Culture Instructor Application Instructions – By Examination](#)

**Manicurist**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in manicure shall obtain a license in compliance with the Board of Cosmetology of the state of Indiana and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicants shall have 8th grade education or equivalent;
- If the applicant has a conviction record, a copy of the conviction must be included with the application that indicates the disposition of the conviction, the type and date of the conviction, time served, and the disposition of any probation being served or successfully completed;
- Applicant must complete the required hours of education at a state licensed beauty culture school;
- Applicant shall pass a written and a practical examination;
- Applicant shall submit an application to the Board with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: [Manicurist Application Instructions – By Examination](#)

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant has completed of 450 hours of study or equivalent number of credit hours;
- The applicant shall pass a written examination through PSI and the practical exam;
- Applicant must receive a 75% or greater on the examinations;
- Upon passing, the applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: [IC § 25-8-4-9, IC § 25-8-5-3](#)
Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Indiana.

Authority: Renewal Documents

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Indiana. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: Manicurist Application Instructions – By Examination

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license by reciprocity while holding a current valid license in another state, country, or jurisdiction, an applicant must complete the following:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must have completed eighth grade education or equivalent;
- Applicant must have a licensed certificate;
  - If from a foreign country, applicant must include an English translation of the documents;
- Applicant must have had at least 450 hours of education; or
- Applicant must meet one of the following if license was obtained with less than 450 hours:
  - Licensed for LESS THAN 20 years: 1 year of licensed experience is equal to 100 hours of education to an applicant who has completed a minimum of 300 hours of education;
  - Licensed for MORE THAN 20 years: one (1) year of licensed experience is equal to one hundred (100) hours of education to an applicant who has completed a minimum of 100 hour of education;
- All applications must be accompanied by the application fee;
- Applicant must have received a 70% passing on the written and practical exams;
- For Jurisdictions outside the United States only: Please submit high school diploma (or record of last year attended) and beauty culture school transcript. If the original documents are in a foreign language, a certified translation in English must accompany the original documents;
- If you have a conviction record, include a copy of the conviction record that indicates the disposition of the conviction. It should include the type and date of the conviction, time served, if applicable, and the disposition of any probation being served or successfully completed.

Authority: Manicurist Application Instructions – By Reciprocity

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must have graduated from high school education or equivalent;
- Applicant must currently hold a manicuring license;
• Applicant must have completed 1000 hours of education at a Beauty Culture School;
• Applicant shall pass a written examination through the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency;
• All applications must be accompanied by the application fee;

Authority: Beauty Culture Instructor Application Instructions – By Examination

**Make-up Artists**

Make-up artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

Authority: IC § 25-8-2-5 and IC § 25-8-2-9.5

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Indiana licenses Mobile shops. A mobile salon is defined as a self-contained facility that may be moved, towed, or transported from one location to another and in which cosmetology, electrology, esthetics, manicuring or barbering is practiced and must be under the personal supervision of a person who is licensed as a beauty culture professional.

Authority: Mobile Salon

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

There are no rules specifically governing high school cosmetology programs in Indiana. There are programs offered in the state for high school students. However, they will not be eligible to take the examination until they are 18 years old. Students must complete the same number of hours as any other student.

Authority: Cosmetologist Application Instructions

**Additional Professions Licensed**

• Body Piercing
• Electrology
• Massage Therapy
• Tanning facilities
• Tattooing
IOWA

**Cosmetologists**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall have graduated from high school or its equivalent;
- Applicant completes the required hours and graduates from a Board approved school of cosmetology arts and sciences;
- Applicant passes an examination prescribed by the board;
- Applicant shall submit a completed, board-approved application for licensure;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

*Authority: Iowa Code Ann. § 157.3*

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 2,100 hours of education or 70 semester hours;
- Applicant shall take the national examination as prescribed by the Board;
- Applicant must obtain a score of 75 percent or greater;
- NIC examinations are administered according to guidelines set forth by the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology. Submit the test registration fee directly to the test service PSI, [www.psiexams.com](http://www.psiexams.com).

*Authority: Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-60.2*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

Cosmetology licenses in Iowa expire every two years on March 31st. Cosmetologists are required to complete 8 hours of continuing education.

- 4 hours must be in the prescribed practice discipline;
- 2 hours must be in areas of Iowa law and sanitation.

Those persons licensed for the first time shall not be required to complete continuing education as a prerequisite for the first renewal of their licenses. Continuing education hours acquired anytime from the initial licensing until the second license renewal may be used.

*Authority: Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-64.2*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Iowa. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

*Authority: Iowa Code Ann. § 157.10*
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Iowa does not offer Reciprocity. However, to obtain a license based on holding a current valid license in another state jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant must have been licensed for at least 12 months in the past 2 years;
- Applicant shall currently be licensed as a cosmetologist;
- Applicants who graduated from a cosmetology school prior to January 1, 2000, shall have passed the state written and practical examination required by the state in which the applicants was originally licensed; or
- Applicants who graduated from a cosmetology school after January 1, 2000, shall have passed the national theory examination;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-60.7

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall be licensed in the state of Iowa as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant shall complete 1,000 hours of instructor's training; or
- Applicant shall complete two years' active practice in the field of cosmetology within six years prior to application;
- Applicant shall submit proof of completion of an instructor methods training course consisting of at least 16 hours;
- Applicant shall pass the instructor's national examination;
- Applicant shall submit a completed application for licensure and the appropriate fee to the board;

Authority: Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-60.2

Stylists

Hairstylist are defined under Cosmetology and Barbering.

Authority: Iowa Code Ann. § 157.1 and Iowa Code Ann. § 158.1

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Iowa Board of Barbering and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a licensed school of barbering and shall have complete the required hours of education;
- Applicant shall pass the theory and practical examinations;
Applicants shall complete a board-approved application form; Applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:** Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-21.2

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicant shall complete 2,100 hours of education;
- Applicant shall take both the theory and practical examinations through NIC;
- Applicant must obtain a 70 percent or better on each examination;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:** Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-21.2

**Continuing Education Requirements**

Cosmetology licenses in Iowa expire every even numbered year on June 30th. Cosmetologists are required to complete 3 hours of continuing education. 1 hour must be in areas of Iowa law and sanitation. A licensee who is a barber instructor shall obtain four hours in teaching methodology in addition to meeting all continuing education requirements for renewal of the barber license.

Those persons licensed for the first time shall not be required to complete continuing education as a prerequisite for the first renewal of their licenses. Continuing education hours acquired anytime from the initial licensing until the second license renewal may be used.

**Authority:** Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-21.9

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Iowa. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

**Authority:** Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-21.2

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

Iowa does not offer Reciprocity. However, to obtain a license based on holding a current valid license in another state jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant must have been licensed for at least 12 months in the past 2 years;
- Applicant shall currently be licensed as a barber;
- Applicant must complete one hour of Iowa barbering laws and administrative rules and sanitation;
- Applicant must pass the national written and practical examinations;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must have graduated from high school or equivalent;
- Applicant must have completed 2,100 hours of education at a licensed barber school; or
- Applicant must have held an active license for 12 of the last 2 years;
- Applicant must obtain a passing score of 70% or higher on the NIC instructor theory and practical exams;
- Instructor applicants must be licensed as a barber in the state of Iowa for at least two years.

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall have graduated from high school or its equivalent;
- Applicant completes the required hours and graduates from a Board approved school of cosmetology arts and sciences;
- Applicant passes an examination prescribed by the board;
- Applicant shall submit a completed, board-approved application for licensure;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall take the national examination as prescribed by the Board;
- Applicant must obtain a score of 75 percent or greater;
- NIC examinations are administered according to guidelines set forth by the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology. Submit the test registration fee directly to the test service PSI, www.psiexams.com.

Continuing Education Requirements

Esthetics licenses in Iowa expire every two years on March 31st. Estheticians are required to complete 8 hours of continuing education.

- 4 hours must be in the prescribed practice discipline;
- 2 hours must be in areas of Iowa law and sanitation.

Those persons licensed for the first time shall not be required to complete continuing education as a prerequisite for the first renewal of their licenses. Continuing education hours acquired anytime from the initial licensing until the second license renewal may be used.
Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Iowa. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: Iowa Code Ann. § 157.10

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Iowa does not offer reciprocity. However, to obtain a license based on holding a current valid license in another state jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:

• Applicant must have been licensed for at least 12 months in the past 2 years;
• Applicant shall currently be licensed as an esthetician;
• Applicants who graduated from a cosmetology school prior to January 1, 2000, shall have passed the state written and practical examination required by the state in which the applicants was originally licensed; or
• Applicants who graduated from a cosmetology school after January 1, 2000, shall have passed the national theory examination;
• Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be licensed in the state of Iowa as an esthetician;
• Applicant shall complete 1,000 hours of instructor's training; or
• Applicant shall complete two years’ active practice in the field of cosmetology within six years prior to application;
• Applicant shall submit proof of completion of an instructor methods training course consisting of at least 16 hours;
• Applicant shall pass the instructor’s national examination;
• Applicant shall submit a completed application for licensure and the appropriate fee to the board;

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall have graduated from high school or its equivalent;
- Applicant completes the required hours and graduates from a Board approved school of cosmetology arts and sciences;
- Applicant passes an examination prescribed by the board;
- Applicant shall submit a completed, board-approved application for licensure;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:** Iowa Code Ann. § 157.3

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicant shall take the national examination as prescribed by the Board;
- Applicant must obtain a score of 75 percent or greater;
- NIC examinations are administered according to guidelines set forth by the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology. Submit the test registration fee directly to the test service PSI, [www.psiexams.com](http://www.psiexams.com).

**Authority:** Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-60.2

**Continuing Education Requirements**

Nail Technology licenses in Iowa expire every two years on March 31st. Nail technicians are required to complete 8 hours of continuing education.
- 4 hours must be in the prescribed practice discipline;
- 2 hours must be in areas of Iowa law and sanitation.

Those persons licensed for the first time shall not be required to complete continuing education as a prerequisite for the first renewal of their licenses. Continuing education hours acquired anytime from the initial licensing until the second license renewal may be used.

**Authority:** Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-64.2

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Iowa. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

**Authority:** Iowa Code Ann. § 157.10

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

Iowa does not offer reciprocity. However, to obtain a license based on holding a current valid license in another state jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant must have been licensed for at least 12 months in the past 2 years;
- Applicant shall currently be licensed as a nail technician;
• Applicants who graduated from a cosmetology school prior to January 1, 2000, shall have passed the state written and practical examination required by the state in which the applicants was originally licensed; or
• Applicants who graduated from a cosmetology school after January 1, 2000, shall have passed the national theory examination;  
  Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-60.7

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
  • Applicant shall be licensed in the state of Iowa as a nail technician;  
  • Applicant shall complete 1,000 hours of instructor’s training; or  
  • Applicant shall complete two years’ active practice in the field of cosmetology within six years prior to application;  
  • Applicant shall submit proof of completion of an instructor methods training course consisting of at least 16 hours;  
  • Applicant shall pass the instructor’s national examination;  
  • Applicant shall submit a completed application for licensure and the appropriate fee to the board;

Authority: Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-60.2

Make-up Artists

Make-up artists are defined under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

Authority: Iowa Code Ann. § 157.1

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile cosmetology salons are not licensed in Iowa. Salons must have fixed locations.

Authority: Iowa Code Ann. § 157.1

High School Cosmetology Programs

Cosmetology schools in Iowa must be postsecondary institutions. Iowa has no rules governing high school cosmetology programs. Programs are available for high school students to earn some hours towards a cosmetology license. However, most hours have to be completed after high school graduation.

Additional Professions Licensed

- Tattooing
- Electrology
- Demonstrator
- Manicuring
**KANSAS**

**Cosmetologists**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology, shall obtain a license be in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the board and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant shall have graduated from high school or equivalent; or
- Applicant was at least 25 years of age and licensed as an apprentice on May 21, 1998;
- Applicant have served as an apprentice at a licensed school for the period of time provided by K.S.A. § 65-1912;
- Applicant shall pass the written and practical examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority:* K.S.A. § 65-1905. Examinations; qualifications of applicants

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall have completed 1,500 hours of training;
- Applicant shall take the written examination after 1,000 hours of study;
- Applicant shall take and pass the practical examination before licensure;
- To pass, an applicant must receive a 75% or greater;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

*Authority:* K.S.A. § 65-1905. Examinations; qualifications of applicants

**Continuing Education Requirements**

Cosmetologists are not required to complete continuing education. Licenses expire every 2 years from the last day of the month in which the license was issued. Instructors are expected to complete 20 hours of continuing education each licensing period.

*Authority:* K.S.A. § 65-1903. Schools

**Apprenticeship Programs**

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in cosmetology shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- A cosmetology apprenticeship has a term of at least 1,500 hours. If the applicant has attended a licensed school electing to base the course of instruction and practice on credit hours as provided in K.S.A. 65-1903, and amendments thereto, the applicant shall have practiced as an apprentice for not less than those credit hours which are the equivalent of 1,500 clock hours under the formula for conversion used by the licensed school.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

A person practicing as a cosmetologist under the laws of another state or jurisdiction and wants to obtain a license in Kansas based on practicing, shall be granted a license entitling the person to practice in this state if:

- The person is not less than 17 years of age;
- They have graduated from high school or equivalent;
- The person has held a current license in another state or jurisdiction in the area of practice in which the person seeks a license for at least 10 years;
- The person holds a current license;
- The applicant passes a written and a practical examination administered by the board relating to the area of practice in which the person seeks a license; or
- The applicant has the number of hours of training required for licensure in this state and passes the written examination administered for license renewal under subsection of K.S.A. 65-1904.

Authority: K.S.A. § 65-1904b, Licensure, reciprocity, conditions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant has a current valid license;
- The applicant has practiced as a cosmetologist for one year prior to licensure and successfully completed 300 hours of instructor training; or
- The applicant has successfully completed 450 hours of instructor training;
- The applicant passed a cosmetology instructor exam, administered by the board or the board’s designee;
- Applicant pays the required fees.

Authority: K.S.A. § 65-1903, Schools

Hair Stylists

Hairstylist are licensed under Cosmetology.

Authority: K.S.A. § 65-1901, Definitions

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to take the Kansas barber license examination, must be a graduate of a Kansas barber college that has been approved by this Board to provide barber training.

- The applicant must be at least 16 years old;
- Applicant shall be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall have completed the required hours a board approved school;
Applicant shall pass the examination; Applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:** [K.S.A. § 65-1812. Qualifications for licensure as a barber](#)

### Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicant shall complete at least 1,200 hours and not more than 1,500 hours of education;
- Applicant shall take and pass all 3 parts of the examination with a score of 80% or greater;
- Applicant must pass a Practical examination, Written NIC Barber Styling Theory exam, and a Written Kansas Rules and Regulations Examination.

**Authority:** [K.S.A. § 65-1810. Barber schools and colleges](#)

### Continuing Education Requirements

There are no education requirements. Every licensed barber shall renew their license annually.

**Authority:** [K.S.A. § 65-1819 Renewal of license](#)

### Apprenticeship Programs

There are no barber apprenticeships in Kansas. Education must be received in a licensed school.

**Authority:** [K.S.A. § 65-1812. Qualifications for licensure as a barber](#)

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

A person practicing as a barber under the laws of another state or jurisdiction and wants to obtain a license in Kansas based on practicing, shall be granted a license entitling the person to practice in this state if:

- Applicants are licensed in a state, territory, or country, which has a reciprocal agreement with Kansas. To see the list of states please click the following link: [Kanas Reciprocity States](#)
- Applicant is actively licensed and practicing barbering for at least 24 months;
- The applicant submits a letter from the current licensing board verifying that the licensee is in good standing;
- The applicant certifies in writing that he or she has read, understands, and will abide by the rules, regulations, and statutes of the state of Kansas;
- The applicant submits an application subject to approval by the board. The reciprocal fee shall accompany the application;
- The reciprocal fee shall be a processing and license fee equal to the examination and barber license fee.

**Authority:** [K.A.R. 61-6-2](#)

### Instructors

Any administration, supervision and management of wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall be under the actual personal direction of an administrator or manager who shall be a duly
registered barber of the state of Kansas and who shall possess all of the qualifications and take and pass such examinations and pay such fees as are hereinafter required for teachers or instructors in barbering.

**Authority:** [K.A.R. 61-3-5](#)

## Estheticians

### Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license be in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the board and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant shall have graduated from high school or equivalent; or
- Applicant was at least 25 years of age and licensed as an apprentice on May 21, 1998;
- Applicant have served as an apprentice at a licensed school for the period of time provided by [K.S.A. § 65-1912](#);
- Applicant shall pass the written and practical examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

**Authority:** [K.S.A. § 65-1905](#), [Examinations; qualifications of applicants](#)

### Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall have completed 1,000 hours of training;
- Applicant shall take the written examination;
- Applicant shall take and pass the practical examination before licensure;
- To pass, an applicant must receive a 75% or greater;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:** [K.S.A. § 65-1905](#), [Examinations; qualifications of applicants](#)

### Continuing Education Requirements

Estheticians are not required to complete continuing education. Licenses expire every 2 years from the last day of the month in which the license was issued. Instructors are expected to complete 20 hours of continuing education each licensing period.

**Authority:** [K.S.A. § 65-1903](#), [Schools](#)

### Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in esthetics shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- An esthetics apprenticeship has a term of at least 1,000 hours. If the applicant has attended a licensed school electing to base the course of instruction and practice on credit hours as
provided in K.S.A. 65-1903, and amendments thereto, the applicant shall have practiced as an apprentice for not less than those credit hours which are the equivalent of 1,000 clock hours under the formula for conversion used by the licensed school.

**Authority:** K.S.A. § 65-1912. Apprentice license

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

A person practicing as an esthetician under the laws of another state or jurisdiction and wants to obtain a license in Kansas based on practicing, shall be granted a license entitling the person to practice in this state if:

- The person is not less than 17 years of age;
- They have graduated from high school or equivalent; or
- The person has held a current license in another state or jurisdiction in the area of practice in which the person seeks a license for at least 10 years;
- The person holds a current license;
- The applicant passes a written and a practical examination administered by the board relating to the area of practice in which the person seeks a license; or
- The applicant has the number of hours of training required for licensure in this state and passes the written examination administered for license renewal under subsection of K.S.A. 65-1904.

**Authority:** K.S.A. § 65-1904b. Licensure, reciprocity, conditions

### Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- The license shall be granted by the board upon proper and sufficient showing of competency of the applicant and assurance of compliance by the applicant with the requirements of this act, all reasonable rules and regulations adopted by the board for proper conduct of the school and all applicable sanitation standards adopted by the secretary of health and environment, and amendments thereto;

**Authority:** K.S.A. § 65-1903. Schools

### Nail Technicians

#### Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology shall obtain a license be in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the board and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant shall have graduated from high school or equivalent; or
- Applicant was at least 25 years of age and licensed as an apprentice on May 21, 1998;
- Applicant have served as an apprentice at a licensed school for the period of time provided by K.S.A. 65-1912;
- Applicant shall pass the written and practical examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.
Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall have completed 350 hours of training;
- Applicant shall take the written examination;
- Applicant shall take and pass the practical examination before licensure;
- To pass, an applicant must receive a 75% or greater;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Continuing Education Requirements

Nail technologists are not required to complete continuing education. Licenses expire every 2 years from the last day of the month in which the license was issued. Instructors are expected to complete 20 hours of continuing education each licensing period.

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in nail technology shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- A nail technology apprenticeship has a term of at least 350 hours. If the applicant has attended a licensed school electing to base the course of instruction and practice on credit hours as provided in K.S.A. 65-1903, and amendments thereto, the applicant shall have practiced as an apprentice for not less than those credit hours which are the equivalent of 350 clock hours under the formula for conversion used by the licensed school.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

A person practicing as a nail technologist under the laws of another state or jurisdiction and wants to obtain a license in Kansas based on practicing, shall be granted a license entitling the person to practice in this state if:

- The person is not less than 17 years of age;
- They have graduated from high school or equivalent; or
- The person has held a current license in another state or jurisdiction in the area of practice in which the person seeks a license for at least 10 years;
- The person holds a current license;
- The applicant passes a written and a practical examination administered by the board relating to the area of practice in which the person seeks a license; or
The applicant has the number of hours of training required for licensure in this state and passes the written examination administered for license renewal under subsection of K.S.A. 65-1904.

**Authority:** K.S.A. § 65-1904b. Licensure, reciprocity, conditions

### Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- The course of instruction and practice shall require not less than 350 clock hours, or a licensed school may elect to base the course of instruction and practice on credit hours;
- The formula for conversion from clock hour to credit hour shall be provided by a recognized accrediting body which is approved by the United States department of education for the accreditation of schools of cosmetology and the licensed school applying the credit hour conversion must be accredited through the accrediting body providing the conversion formula;

**Authority:** K.S.A. § 65-1903. Schools

### Make-up Artists

Make-up artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics under Kansas law.

**Authority:** K.S.A. § 65-1901. Definitions

### Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology services are licensed in Kansas

**Authority:** K.A.R. 28-24-1. Definitions

### High School Cosmetology Programs

To enroll in a cosmetology school in Kansas, you must have graduated from high school. Programs are not offered on the high school level.

**Authority:** K.S.A. § 65-1903. Schools

### Additional Professions Licensed

- Body Art
- Electrology
- Tanning
KENTUCKY

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to obtain a license of cosmetology in Kentucky, shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is at least 16 years of age;
- The applicant is of good moral character and temperate habit;
- The applicant must have a 12th grade education or equivalent;
- The applicant shall complete the required hours to be eligible for an apprentice license;
- The applicant must take and pass both a written and practical examination;
- An apprentice cosmetologist must work for at least 6 months under the immediate supervision of a licensed cosmetologist;
  - A six-month apprenticeship consists of working in a licensed beauty salon for an average of 20 hours per week for 6 months;
- The applicant may then take the regular cosmetology examination;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists License Requirements

Exam Requirements

The following exam requirements for any individual wishing to obtain a license of cosmetology:

- The applicant has practiced as a licensed cosmetology apprentice for at least six (6) months under the immediate supervision of a licensed cosmetologist;
- The applicant has satisfactorily passed an examination prescribed by the board to determine fitness to practice cosmetology; and
- The applicant has the required fee.

Authority: Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists License Requirements

Continuing Education Requirements

There is no continuing education in Kentucky. Licenses and permits issued by the board may be renewed upon receipt, beginning July 1 through July 31 of each year.

Authority: Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists Renewal Information

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in cosmetology shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- The applicant shall complete 1500 hours in a licensed school;
- The applicant must complete a written and practical examination;
• A six-month apprenticeship consists of working in a licensed beauty salon for an average of 20 hours per week for 6 months;
• An apprentice cosmetologist cannot hold a license for more than 18 months without requesting an extension from the Board.

Authority: Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists License Requirements

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The cosmetologist board may prescribe reasonable administrative regulations pertaining to the issuance of a license, upon payment of the prescribed license fee, to any person holding a comparable license issued by another state where the laws of that state, in the opinion of the cosmetologist board, provide comparable professional qualification, health, and safety standards;

• An applicant who provides certification of licensure from a state board or appropriate agency, whose requirements are not comparable to those of Kentucky, who has held a license in good standing for more than two (2) years, shall be issued a Kentucky license after completion of an application, payment of a fee, and passage of the theory and practical examination
• An applicant who provides certification of licensure from a state board or appropriate agency, whose requirements are not comparable to those of Kentucky, who has held a license in good standing for less than two (2) years, shall be able to cure the deficiency of comparability through continuing education or apprenticeship in Kentucky. The board may require completion of an application, payment of a fee, and passage of the theory and practical examinations.

Authority: 317A.100 Reciprocal licensing.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• Has a high school diploma or equivalent;
• Has been licensed as a cosmetologist for at least 1 year;
• Applicant must complete an instructor apprenticeship;
• Applicant has submitted an application that has been signed by the owners of the school in which the applicant will study;
  o The course of instruction shall be for a period of one 1,000 hours and not less than 6 months;

Once the applicant has fulfilled the requirements of an apprentice, the cosmetologist shall be issued a license to teach cosmetology by the cosmetologist board if:

• The applicant is of good moral character and temperate habit;
• The applicant has a high school diploma, General Educational Development (GED) diploma, or the results from the Test for Adult Basic Education indicating a score equivalent to the twelfth grade of high school;
• The applicant has held an apprentice instructor license for at least six (6) months;
• The applicant has satisfactorily passed the examination for the teaching of cosmetology as prescribed by the board; and
• The applicant has paid the required fees.
**Hairdresser**

Hairdressers are covered under Cosmetology.

*Authority: 317A.010 Definitions for chapter*

**Barbers**

**Licensing Requirements**

The applicant shall be issued a license to act as a probationary barber by the Board, but the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is at least seventeen and one-half (17-1/2) years of age;
- The applicant is of good moral character and temperate habit;
- The applicant has graduated from high school or earned a G.E.D;
- The applicant has completed 1500 hours of school;
- The applicant has graduated from an accredited or licensed school of barbering;
- The applicant has satisfactorily passed the examination prescribed by the barber board.

Applicants who successfully pass the Probationary Barber exam and have a shop to work will begin a six-month probationary period. During the probationary period applicants are required to work six continuous months with no break in service. Upon completion of the six-month probationary period applicants will take the barber exam.

*Authority: Kentucky Board of Barbering*

**Exam Requirements**

This exam is the same as the Probationary Barber Exam with the following exceptions:

- There is not a written exam;
- The practical exam is 1 hour and 10 minutes instead of 1 hour and 20 minutes;
- Applicants must perform one of the following: permanent wave, apply straightener, or coloring.

*Authority: Kentucky Board of Barbering*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Every license that can be renewed by the Board of Barbering expires on July 1st each year. The cost to renew each license is $50. Licensees may renew licenses beginning June 1st.

*Authority: Kentucky Board of Barbering*
Apprenticeship Programs

An apprenticeship is required for six continuous months with no break in service.

Authority: Kentucky Board of Barbering

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Any person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and of good moral character and temperate habits, who has a current license or certificate of registration as a practicing barber of another state or other board recognizing authority, which has substantially the same requirements for licensing or registering barbers as are required of KRS Chapter 317 and 201 KAR Chapter 14, shall, upon payment of the fee required by 201 KAR 14:180, be granted permission to take an examination to determine his fitness to receive a license to practice barbering.

Authority: 201 KAR 14:060, Licensing requirements for qualified nonresidents.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barber instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• The applicant must have been a licensed barber for 18 months;
• Pass the instructor exam;
• After passing the exam, work in a licensed barber school under a head instructor for twelve full months before becoming a head instructor.

Authority: Kentucky Board of Barbering

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to obtain a license as an esthetician in Kentucky, shall meet the following qualifications:

• The applicant is at least (18) years of age
• Possess a high school diploma, General Educational Development (GED) diploma, or the results from the Test for Adult Basic Education indicating a score equivalent to the twelfth grade of high school.

Authority: Administrative Regulations Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

Exam Requirements

The following exam requirements for any individual wishing to obtain a license of esthetic:
• The applicant has satisfactorily completed one thousand (1,000) hours of instruction in a licensed school approved by the board;
• The applicant has received a satisfactory grade on an examination prescribed by the board to determine fitness to practice as an esthetician; and
• The applicant has paid a fee of at least seventy-five dollars ($75) to be adjusted as needed in administrative regulations promulgated by the board.

Authority: Administrative Regulations Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. A license application postmarked after July 31 shall be considered expired. The board shall promulgate through administrative regulations the appropriate restoration fee based on length of time a license has been expired for a period up to five (5) years. After five (5) years, restoration fees shall be required in addition to an examination, additional course work, or both.

Authority: Administrative Regulations Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeship hours are not listed. The applicant must have satisfactorily completed one thousand (1,000) hours of instruction in a licensed school approved by the board.

Authority: Administrative Regulations Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The cosmetologist board may prescribe reasonable administrative regulations pertaining to the issuance of a license, upon payment of the prescribed license fee, to any person holding a comparable license issued by another state where the laws of that state, in the opinion of the cosmetologist board, provide comparable professional qualification, health, and safety standards;

• An applicant who provides certification of licensure from a state board or appropriate agency, whose requirements are not comparable to those of Kentucky, who has held a license in good standing for more than two (2) years, shall be issued a Kentucky license after completion of an application, payment of a fee, and passage of the theory and practical examination
• An applicant who provides certification of licensure from a state board or appropriate agency, whose requirements are not comparable to those of Kentucky, who has held a license in good standing for less than two (2) years, shall be able to cure the deficiency of comparability through continuing education or apprenticeship in Kentucky. The board may require completion of an application, payment of a fee, and passage of the theory and practical examinations.

Authority: 317A.100 Reciprocal licensing.
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetician instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is of good moral character and temperate habit;
- The applicant is at least eighteen (18) years of age;
- The applicant has a high school diploma, General Educational Development (GED) diploma, or the results from the Test for Adult Basic Education indicating a score equivalent to the twelfth grade of high school;
- The applicant holds a current cosmetologist and instructor's license;
- The applicant has completed fifty (50) hours in esthetics training within the last two (2) years;
- The applicant has received a satisfactory grade on the examination for the teaching of esthetics as prescribed by the board; and
- The board may issue a license to teach esthetic practices to an individual with two (2) or more years' experience in teaching esthetic practices in another jurisdiction who meets the requirements of paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of subsection (3) of this section.

Authority: Administrative Regulations Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to obtain a license of nail technology in Kentucky, shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is of good moral character and temperate habit;
- The applicant has a high school diploma, General Educational Development (GED) diploma, or the results from the Test for Adult Basic Education indicating a score equivalent to the twelfth grade of high school.

Authority: Administrative Regulations Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

Exam Requirements

The following exam requirements for any individual wishing to obtain a license of nail technician:

- The applicant has completed satisfactorily a nail technician course of study of six hundred (600) hours in a licensed school of cosmetology within ten (10) years of submitting an application for licensure;
- The applicant has satisfactorily passed an examination prescribed by the board to determine fitness to practice as a nail technician;
- The applicant has paid a fee of twenty-five dollars ($25).

Authority: Administrative Regulations Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses and permits issued by the board may be renewed upon receipt, beginning July 1 through July 31 of each year. The application for renewal shall be completed in full and accompanied by the appropriate renewal fee required by subsection
Applications for renewal shall comply with the provisions of this chapter and the administrative regulations promulgated by the board. Any license application received or postmarked after July 31 shall be considered expired, and the appropriate restoration fee required by subsection (2) of this section shall apply.

Authority: Administrative Regulations Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeship hours are not listed. The applicant must have satisfactorily completed one thousand (600) hours of instruction in a licensed school approved by the board.

Authority: Administrative Regulations Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The cosmetologist board may prescribe reasonable administrative regulations pertaining to the issuance of a license, upon payment of the prescribed license fee, to any person holding a comparable license issued by another state where the laws of that state, in the opinion of the cosmetologist board, provide comparable professional qualification, health, and safety standards;

- An applicant who provides certification of licensure from a state board or appropriate agency, whose requirements are not comparable to those of Kentucky, who has held a license in good standing for more than two (2) years, shall be issued a Kentucky license after completion of an application, payment of a fee, and passage of the theory and practical examination.
- An applicant who provides certification of licensure from a state board or appropriate agency, whose requirements are not comparable to those of Kentucky, who has held a license in good standing for less than two (2) years, shall be able to cure the deficiency of comparability through continuing education or apprenticeship in Kentucky. The board may require completion of an application, payment of a fee, and passage of the theory and practical examinations.

Authority: 317A.100 Reciprocal licensing.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- First, the cosmetologist board shall issue an apprentice license to teach cosmetology to any person who:
  - (a) The applicant has paid a fee of thirty-five dollars ($35).
  - (b) The applicant has a high school diploma, General Educational Development (GED) diploma, or the results from the Test for Adult Basic Education indicating a score equivalent to the twelfth grade of high school and one (1) year experience as a licensed cosmetologist; and
  - (c) The applicant has submitted an application that has been signed by the owners of the school in which the applicant will study. The course of instruction shall be for a period of one thousand (1,000) hours and not less than six (6) months at one (1) school providing this instruction. The school owner shall verify to the board the completion of one thousand (1,000) hours. For out-of-state verification, an applicant shall provide official certification from the board or agency that
certifies schools in that other state of licensure verifying the applicant has completed a course of instruction consisting of at least one thousand (1,000) hours and not less than six (6) months at one (1) school providing the instruction.

Once the applicant has fulfilled the requirements of an apprentice, the cosmetologist shall be issued a license to teach cosmetology by the cosmetologist board if:

(a) The applicant is of good moral character and temperate habit;
(b) The applicant has a high school diploma, General Educational Development (GED) diploma, or the results from the Test for Adult Basic Education indicating a score equivalent to the twelfth grade of high school.
(c) The applicant has held an apprentice instructor license for at least six (6) months;
(d) The applicant has satisfactorily passed the examination for the teaching of cosmetology as prescribed by the board; and
(e) The applicant has paid a fee of fifty dollars ($50).

Authority: Administrative Regulations Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists

Make-up Artists

In Kentucky, the equivalent of a “makeup license” is earned by going one of two routes. An applicant can either earn a cosmetologist or esthetician license to work in an occupation to apply makeup for financial compensation.

Authority: Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists License Requirements

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile salons are not allowed. Licensed beauty professionals are only allowed to work in licensed facilities and rooms. No homebound, off-site, or event services are allowed.

High School Cosmetology Programs

Cosmetology schools in Kentucky must be postsecondary institutions.

Additional Professions Licensed

- Massage Therapist
- Tattoo
LOUISIANA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements
An applicant who wishes to obtain a license must meet the following requirements:

• Be at least 16 years of age;
• Have satisfactorily completed 10th grade from an approved high school;
• Completed the required hours in an approved cosmetology school;
• Must pass the required State Board examinations;
• Must pay proper fees.

Authority: LA Board of Cosmetology

Exam Requirements
In order to be eligible to take the written and practical examinations, applicants must receive clearance from the school last attended and also the Board in addition to completing the following requirements:

• Cosmetology students who have completed 1,500 hours and 36 weeks of cosmetology curriculum;
• Applications for examination must be accompanied by a student registration certificate, a photo of the student, and the $25 initial license fee.

Authority: Title 46 Part XXXI, Professional and Occupational Standards: Cosmetologists

Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements for cosmetologists in Louisiana. Every two years, cosmetology instructors must attend a seminar for continuing education, as approved by the board, consisting of at least 16 hours of training in the discipline for which the person is certified to teach.

Authority: LA Board of Cosmetology

Apprenticeship Programs
Louisiana does not provide credit or accept cosmetology apprenticeships.

Authority: Title 46 Part XXXI, Professional and Occupational Standards: Cosmetologists

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
The board shall provide reciprocity to anyone who has taken the NIC exam. However, applicants who have taken the NIC exam will still need to take and pass the state exam. The state exam fee is $25.00.
Any person who has not taken the NIC exam will need to take both the NIC exam and the state exam in order to receive a license through reciprocity. The state exam comes only in English, the NIC exam comes in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese. Applicants can see if their state qualifies [here](#).

**Authority:** [LA Board of Cosmetology](#)

**Instructors**
Applicants must take 500 hours of instructor training. They must then take and pass the cosmetology instructors exam to receive an instructor’s license.

Any instructor who holds their license for 5 years and has attended 16 hours of continuing education each year shall earn the title Master Cosmetology Instructor.

**Authority:** [Title 46 Part XXXI, Professional and Occupational Standards: Cosmetologists](#)

**Hair Stylists**
Louisiana offers a special permit for Alternative Hair Design. For any other hair styling activities, an applicant will need to obtain a cosmetology license.

**Authority:** [Title 46 Part XXXI, Professional and Occupational Standards: Cosmetologists](#)

**Barbers**

**Licensing Requirements**
Any person who wishes to become a licensed barber must meet the following requirements:
- Must be 17 years of age or older;
- Must be of good moral character and temperate habit;
- Must show proof of graduation from high school or equivalent;
- Must have graduated from a course of instruction completing the required hours and completed within 9 months with no more than 8 hours to any one working day;
- Applicant must successfully pass and examination by the board of Barber Examiners.

**Authority:** [Title 46 Part VII, Professional and Occupational Standards: Barbers](#)

**Exam Requirements**
After completing the required coursework, an applicant is eligible to apply for examination. Applicants must also:
- Applicants must apply on the forms given by the department;
- Give to the board 2 (3 x 5) inch signed photographs of themselves. (One for the application and one for the exam);
- Complete a course of 1,500 hours at a licensed school.
- Pay to the board the appropriate fee. (Exam: $32 | License: $40);
- Exam will include both a practical demonstration and a written portion.
**Continuing Education Requirements**
Barbers must attend annually, 16 hours of continuing education, 8 of which must be through attendance of the Barber Board education workshop, the remaining through any board-approved continuing education program.

*Authority:* RS 37:363

**Apprenticeship Programs**
Any individual who wishes to enter into an approved barber apprenticeship program must meet the following requirements:
- Must have a high school diploma or GED;
- Must be at least 17 years old;
- Must have a licensed barber to train under;
- Must have a licensed barber shop to work in;
- Must pay the non-refundable registration fee of $500.00.

Program will take two years to complete. Individuals will complete 400 practical hours and 288 theory hours. After applicants take and pass the state board examination they will be awarded licensure.

*Authority:* LA Barber Apprenticeship Program.

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**
If a person is licensed by another state or territory of the United States, and in the opinion of the board meets the requirements, upon application may be licensed without further examination so long as the requirements to gain that certificate is equivalent to or exceeds the requirements of the state.
- The applicant shall submit an application to the board on a form prescribed by the board;
- A current Louisiana certificate shall be issued to the applicant on compliance with this Subsection and the payment of the applicable certification fee as determined by the board;
- A certificate granted under this Subsection shall allow the holder to engage in the practice of barbering for compensation.

*Authority:* RS 37:369

**Instructors**
Any person wishing to obtain a barber instructor's certificate must comply with the following:
- Applicant must file an application with the board in such form as it may prescribe accompanied by the required fee;
- Applicant is of good moral character and temperate habits;
• Applicant holds a diploma evidencing successful completion of high school or has the equivalent education as determined by an examination conducted by the board and approved by the vocational education office of the Department of Education;

• Applicant has held a valid certificate of registration as a barber in Louisiana and has practiced barbering in Louisiana for at least the last two years before issuance of the instructor’s certificate;

• Applicant has graduated from a barber college in a course embracing all the theory and scientific manipulation taught in barber schools and satisfactorily passes an examination conducted by the board to determine his fitness to be an instructor.

Authority: RS 37:369

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements
Any person who wishes to obtain an esthetician certificate of registration must meet all of the following requirements:

• Be at least 16 years of age;

• Have, at the time of completion of the required schooling, the equivalent training as would be contemplated in the satisfactory completion of the 10th grade from an approved high school;

• Have satisfactorily passed an examination conducted by the board to determine the applicant's fitness to receive a certificate of registration;

• Have paid the appropriate fee;

• To obtain a certificate as a registered esthetician, a person shall have completed and passed an esthetics course completing the required hours at a registered or licensed school of cosmetology approved by the board;

• Passage of the required examination.

Authority: RS 37:582 – LA Board of Cosmetology

Exam Requirements
The Board shall conduct examination of applicants for certificates as registered estheticians.

• Esthetician examinations shall be conducted at least four times per calendar year;

• Applicants are responsible for all of the costs associated with taking the examination;

• Applicants must have completed a course of 750 hours at a licensed school.

• The examinations shall include practical demonstrations and written and oral tests which shall reflect the subjects normally taught in approved schools in the course required for the appropriate certificate of registration;

• Each applicant for examination shall submit an application containing proof of his qualifications, which shall be certified by the applicant under oath and shall be accompanied by the required fee.

Authority: RS 37:586
**Continuing Education Requirements**
Estheticians do not have continuing education requirements.

Every two years, esthetics instructors must attend a seminar for continuing education, as approved by the board, consisting of at least 16 hours of training in the discipline for which the person is certified to teach.

*Authority: RS 37:583*

**Apprenticeship Programs**
Louisiana does not allow esthetics apprenticeships.

*Authority: RS 37:582*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**
The board shall issue the appropriate certificate of registration to any person who possesses a license or certificate of registration to practice as an esthetician from another state or from a foreign country and who also meets the following requirements:

- Has completed and passed the appropriate course of study at a school which is licensed in the state or country which issued the license;
- Has satisfactorily passed the appropriate examination conducted by the board to determine his fitness to receive the certificate of registration;
- Has paid the appropriate fee.

*Authority: RS 37:582*

**Instructors**
Anyone who wishes to teach esthetics must be registered by the board. Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant possesses a high school diploma or its equivalent as determined by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education;
- Applicant has completed and passed the curriculum for the teacher’s training course under the supervision of a licensed teacher for a minimum study of 500 hours in not less than three months or possess a license as an esthetics instructor issued by another state;
- In addition, to obtain a certificate as a registered teacher of esthetics, a person shall possess an esthetics or cosmetology certificate, have been actively engaged in the practice of esthetics for at least 12 months prior to beginning the instructor’s course, and have successfully passed the examination prescribed by the board for certification as a teacher of esthetics.

*Authority: RS 37:583*
Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements
Any person who wishes to obtain a manicurist certificate of registration must meet all of the following requirements:

- Be at least 16 years of age;
- Have, at the time of completion of the required schooling, the equivalent training as would be contemplated in the satisfactory completion of the 10th grade from an approved high school;
- Have satisfactorily passed an examination conducted by the board to determine the applicant's fitness to receive a certificate of registration;
- Have paid the appropriate fee;
- In addition, one must obtain a certificate as a registered manicurist, a person shall have completed and passed a manicuring course completing the required hours at a registered or licensed school of cosmetology approved by the board;
- Passage of the required examination.

Authority: RS 37:582 – LA Board of Cosmetology

Exam Requirements
The Board shall conduct examination of applicants for certificates as registered estheticians.

- Manicurist examinations shall be conducted at least four times per calendar year;
- Applicants are responsible for all of the costs associated with taking the examination;
- Applicants must complete a course of 500 hours at a licensed school.
- The examinations shall include practical demonstrations and written and oral tests which shall reflect the subjects normally taught in approved schools in the course required for the appropriate certificate of registration;
- Each applicant for examination shall submit an application containing proof of his qualifications, which shall be certified by the applicant under oath and shall be accompanied by the required fee.

Authority: RS 37:586

Continuing Education
Manicurists do not have continuing education requirements.

Every two years, manicurist instructors must attend a seminar for continuing education, as approved by the board, consisting of at least 16 hours of training in the discipline for which the person is certified to teach.

Authority: RS 37:583
Apprenticeship Programs
Louisiana does not allow manicurist apprenticeships.

Authority: RS 37:582

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
The board shall issue the appropriate certificate of registration to any person who possesses a license or certificate of registration to practice as a manicurist from another state or from a foreign country and who also meets the following requirements:

- Has completed and passed the appropriate course of study at a school which is licensed in the state or country which issued the license;
- Has satisfactorily passed the appropriate examination conducted by the board to determine his fitness to receive the certificate of registration;
- Has paid the appropriate fee.

Authority: RS 37:582

Instructors
Anyone who wishes to teach manicuring must be registered by the board. Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant possesses a high school diploma or its equivalent as determined by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education;
- Applicant has completed and passed the curriculum for the teacher's training course under the supervision of a licensed teacher for a minimum study of 500 hours in not less than three months or possess a license as a manicuring instructor issued by another state;
- In addition, in order to obtain a certificate as a registered teacher of manicuring, a person shall possess a manicuring or cosmetology certificate, have been actively engaged in the practice of manicuring for at least 12 months prior to beginning the instructor's course, and have successfully passed the examination prescribed by the board for certification as a teacher of manicuring.

Authority: RS 37:583

Make-up Artists
A special permit authorizing the practice application of cosmetic preparations or make-up shall be issued to any person who presents evidence to the Board of completion of 40 hours of training in this curriculum at an approved Louisiana Cosmetology School.

Authority: LA Board of Cosmetology
Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services
The board may issue a certificate of registration for the operation of a mobile salon to any applicant who submits an application on a form approved by the board, pays all required fees, and is determined to be in compliance with the provisions of this Chapter. All requirements that apply to a beauty shop or salon either pursuant to this Chapter or by rule shall also apply to mobile salons, except to the extent that the requirements conflict with this Section or with any rules adopted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act by the board pursuant to the provisions of this Section.

Authority: RS 37:591.1

High School Cosmetology Programs
Louisiana offers high school cosmetology programs through the Jump Start Graduation Program. There are 1-3 credits offered for each level cosmetology class. Courses taken by the student are not to exceed two such courses per high school semester for an eleventh-grade student and two such courses per high school semester for a 12th grade student.

Authority: LA Department of Education – TOPS-TECH Early Start

Additional Professions Licensed
- Electrologist
- Massage Therapist
- Tattoo/Body Art must meet some requirements, but no license is needed.
MARYLAND

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Maryland Cosmetologists Act and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be at least 17 years old;
• Applicant shall have completed a 9th grade education or the equivalent;
• Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall pass examinations through PSI;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant will pay the required fees.

Applicants who are licensed as barbers or master barbers can apply for licensure as a Cosmetologist and shall be credited with having met half of the training requirements.


Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant shall complete 1,500 hours of training in a cosmetology school; or
• Applicant has completed 1,500 hours of training while enrolled in public school courses in cosmetology; or
• Applicant finished 24 months as a registered apprentice;
• Applicant shall take a theory and practical examination;
• Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists License Requirements - Cosmetologists

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists Education - Cosmetologists

Apprenticeship Programs

The Maryland Board of Cosmetologists does license apprentices. Apprentice licenses last two years and may be renewed once. To obtain an apprentice license the applicant must meet the general licensing requirements. Apprentices must adhere to the following:

• Apprentice must complete 24 months of training with a least 20 hours per week;
• Apprentice must mail monthly reports to the Board.

Authority: COMAR 09.22.01.06.C.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Maryland. To obtain a license in Maryland, based on holding a current valid license in another State, the Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means. Otherwise, the Applicant will need to complete some training and take the exams.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists Endorsement (Reciprocal) - Cosmetologists

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall have a current senior cosmetology license;
- Applicant shall have bachelor's degree or higher in a state-approved career and technical program from an institute of higher education; or
- Applicant shall have a bachelor’s degree or higher in the career area to be taught and shall completed 12 credits of professional education course work; or
- Applicant shall earn an associate degree in the career area to be taught, have 2 years of previous occupational experience in the career area to be taught, and complete 12 credits of professional education course work; or
- Applicant shall have a secondary school diploma, have 3 years of occupational experience in the career areas to be taught, and complete 12 credits of professional education course work.

Authority: COMAR 13A.04.19.06.A.

Hairstylists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in hairstyling shall obtain a license in compliance with the Maryland Cosmetologists Act and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years old;
- Applicant shall have completed a 9th grade education or the equivalent;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass examinations through PSI;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant will pay the required fees.


Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 1,200 hours of training in a cosmetology school; or
- Applicant finished 15 months as a registered apprentice;
- Applicant shall take a theory and practical examination;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.
Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists License Requirements - Cosmetologists

Apprenticeship Programs

The Maryland Board of Cosmetologists does license apprentices. Apprentice licenses last two years and may be renewed once. To obtain an apprentice license the applicant must meet the general licensing requirements. Apprentices must adhere to the following:

- Apprentice hairstylists must complete 15 months of training with at least 20 hours per week;
- Apprentices are required to mail monthly training reports to the Board.

Authority: COMAR 09.22.01.06.C.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Maryland. To obtain a license in Maryland, based on holding a current valid license in another State, the Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means. Otherwise, the Applicant will need to complete some training and take the exams.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists Endorsement (Reciprocal) - Cosmetologists

Instructors

In order to be a Cosmetology Instructor in Maryland an individual must possess a Senior Cosmetologist License.

Authority: COMAR 13A.04.19.06.A.

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in Barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Maryland Barbers Act and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass examinations through PSI;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant will pay the required fees.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 1,200 hours of training in a barber school; or
- Applicant has completed 1,200 hours of training while enrolled in public school courses in barbering; or
- Applicant shall complete 2,250 hours of training as a registered apprentice;
- Applicant shall take a theory and practical examination;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: [Maryland Board of Barbers License Requirements - Barbers](#)

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years.

Authority: [Maryland Board of Barbers Education - Barbers](#)

Apprenticeship Programs

The Maryland Board of Barbers does license apprentices. To obtain a license, an application and sponsorship form, signed by a Master Barber and Shop owner, must be submitted to the Board. Apprentice licenses last two years and may be renewed once.

Authority: [Md. Code, Commercial Law Art., §4-405](#)

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Maryland. To obtain a license in Maryland, based on holding a current valid license in another State, the Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The applicant must have completed training with substantially equal requirements and must also have two years of notarized work experience. Otherwise, the Applicant will need to complete some training and take the exams.

Authority: [Maryland Board of Barbers Endorsement - Barbers](#)

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall have a current master barber license;
- Applicant shall have bachelor’s degree or higher in a state-approved career and technical program from an institute of higher education; or
- Applicant shall have a bachelor’s degree or higher in the career area to be taught and shall completed 12 credits of professional education course work; or
- Applicant shall earn an associate degree in the career area to be taught, have 2 years of previous occupational experience in the career area to be taught, and complete 12 credits of professional education course work; or
• Applicant shall have a secondary school diploma, have 3 years of occupational experience in the career areas to be taught, and complete 12 credits of professional education coursework.

Authority: COMAR 13A.04.20.05.A.

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the Maryland Cosmetologists Act and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be at least 17 years old;
• Applicant shall have completed a 9th grade education or the equivalent;
• Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall pass examinations through PSI;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant will pay the required fees.


Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant shall complete 600 hours of training in a cosmetology school; or
• Applicant finished 12 months as a registered apprentice;
• Applicant shall take a theory and practical examination;
• Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists License Requirements - Cosmetologists

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists Education - Cosmetologists

Apprenticeship Programs

The Maryland Board of Cosmetologists does license apprentices. Apprentice licenses last two years and may be renewed once. To obtain an apprentice license the applicant must meet the general licensing requirements. Apprentices must adhere to the following:

• Apprentice estheticians must complete 12 months of training with at least 20 hours per week;
• Apprentices are required to mail monthly training reports to the Board.

Authority: COMAR 09.22.01.06.C.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Maryland. To obtain a license in Maryland, based on holding a current valid license in another State, the Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means. Otherwise, the Applicant will need to complete some training and take the exams.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists Endorsement (Reciprocal) - Cosmetologists

Instructors

In order to be a Cosmetology Instructor in Maryland an individual must possess a Senior Cosmetologist License.

Authority: COMAR 13A.04.19.06.A.

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the Maryland Cosmetologists Act and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be at least 17 years old;
• Applicant shall have completed a 9th grade education or the equivalent;
• Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall pass examinations through PSI;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant will pay the required fees.


Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant shall complete 250 hours of training in a cosmetology school; or
• Applicant finished 8 months as a registered apprentice;
• Applicant shall take a theory and practical examination;
• Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists License Requirements - Cosmetologists

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists Education - Cosmetologists
Apprenticeship Programs

The Maryland Board of Cosmetologists does license apprentices. Apprentice licenses last two years and may be renewed once. To obtain an apprentice license the applicant must meet the general licensing requirements. Apprentices must adhere to the following:

- Apprentice estheticians must complete 8 months of training with at least 20 hours per week;
- Apprentices are required to mail monthly training reports to the Board.

Authority: COMAR 09.22.01.06.C.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Maryland. To obtain a license in Maryland, based on holding a current valid license in another State, the Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means. Otherwise, the Applicant will need to complete some training and take the exams.

Authority: Maryland Board of Cosmetologists Endorsement (Reciprocal) - Cosmetologists

Instructors

In order to be a Cosmetology Instructor in Maryland an individual must possess a Senior Cosmetologist License.

Authority: COMAR 13A.04.19.06.A.

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.


Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Salons are licensed in Maryland. To run a mobile salon the following must be met:

- Applicant must hold a beauty salon permit to operate a beauty salon that is not a mobile beauty salon;
- Applicant shall have a permanent address for the mobile beauty salon.


High School Cosmetology Programs

There are no rules in Maryland prohibiting high school students from enrolling in a cosmetology program. The student is required to complete the same number of hours of instruction within a cosmetology program as any non-high school student. Programs are offered on the high school level.

Additional Professions Licensed

- Body Piercing
- Electrology
- Hair services- blow drying
- Massage Therapy
- Tattooing
MASSACHUSETTS

Cosmetologist/Hairdresser

Licensing Requirements

Massachusetts has two classifications of licensure for cosmetologists and aestheticians. Work experience is the determining factor on the status classification. A cosmetologist’s type 1 and an aesthetician’s type 6 license are equivalent to a manager’s license. To be eligible for a manager’s level, you must submit proof of at least 2 years work experience. An operator’s license (type 2) or an aesthetician’s license (type 7) will be issued to you if you have less than two years of work experience in your field.

Applicants interested in acquiring licensure for Cosmetologist, under 240 CMR 2.00 code of Massachusetts, must meet the following requirements:

- Type 2: A person who has successfully completed a course of at least six months, which course must have completed the required hours of professional training in a cosmetology school approved by the Board may apply to the Board for examination and licensure as an operator;
- A type 2 with a minimum of two years of practical work experience as a junior assistant instructor is required in order to apply to the Board for examination and licensure for a license and will then become a type 1 once licensure process is completed. (240 CMR 2.01);
- Applicant must file the application with the Board accompanied by required fees and achieve a passing score on a practical and written examination satisfactory to the Board;
- Practical Experience requirement for application and/or examination is defined as: full-time (35 hours per week/48 weeks per year); or equivalent part-time (minimum of 24 hours per week)/40 weeks per year) work experience providing services for compensation under appropriate supervision, where required.

Authority: 240 CMR 2.01: Licensure Requirements

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicants must complete 1,000 hours of course study;
- Applicant must have two years of prior work experience;
- Applicant must be approved by the Board;
- Applicant must schedule an exam through Pearsonvue;
- If applicant passes the exam then they will be required to pay the license fee;

Authority: Massachusetts Cosmetology Licensing Program Candidate Handbook

Continuing Education Requirements

No continuing education hours are required to renew your license in Massachusetts. Cosmetology Licenses expire every two years on the licensee’s birthday.
**Authority:**  Fees and License Renewal Schedules for Cosmetology and Barbering

### Apprenticeship Programs

Massachusetts does not allow apprenticeship programs for cosmetologists. Hours of education must be received in a Board approved school.

**Authority:** 240 CMR 4.00: Operation of Cosmetology Schools

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The board may register, without examination hairdresser or operator who has been registered as such under the laws of another state, which, in the opinion of the board, maintains a standard substantially equivalent to that of the commonwealth, and in which hairdressers, operators, manicurists or aestheticians registered in the commonwealth are given like recognition, upon payment of the fee.

**Authority:** G. L. c. 112, § 16-87z Reciprocity licensing; additional education requirement

### Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

**Cosmetology Instructor:**
- Applicant must be Type 1 and have minimum of two years of experience as such or as a junior assistant instructor to become a cosmetology instructor, a type 4;
- Applicant must file an application with the Board accompanied by required fees;
- Applicant must receive a passing score on a practical and written examination;
- If applicant possesses a current hairdresser/cosmetologist license, the license must be renewed on the date determined by the board;
- A cosmetology instructor may be employed in a cosmetology salon, manicuring salon or aesthetics salon if the instructor also possesses a current hairdresser/cosmetologist - Type 1 license.

**Assistant Cosmetology Instructor:**
- Applicant, pending examination by the board to become a cosmetology instructor – Type 4, may apply to the Board;
- Applicant must pay required fees and will then be issued an assistant cosmetology instructor license;
- The license is valid for a maximum six-month period and may not be renewed;
- An assistant cosmetology instructor may only be employed to instruct in a cosmetology school.

**Junior Assistant Cosmetology Instructor:**
- Applicant must be a graduate from a cosmetology school approved by the Board;
- Applicant must apply to the Board and pay required fees for licensure;
- The license is valid for a maximum two-year period and may not be renewed.
- A junior assistant cosmetology instructor may only be employed in a cosmetology school.
Hairdresser

Type 1 and Type 2 licenses apply to both Cosmetologists and Hairdressers. The titles are considered equal in Massachusetts. Please see above for licensing details.

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

- Applicant must complete the required course hours of barber training, including graduating from a Massachusetts barber school;
- Applicant will be required to submit an application to the Board and pass the Apprentice Barber Licensing Exam and pay required fees;
- Applicant will need to take the written and practical exam;
- Applicant must work as an apprentice barber under the supervision of a master barber for 18 months outside of the school before eligible to apply for a master barber license;

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 1,000 hours of course study;
- Applicants will submit an application with the Board and will be able to take the exams upon approval and payment of required fees;
- Applicant must go to www.pearsonvue.com/ma/cosmetology/ma/cos to make an online reservation for an examination. First-time users are required to create an account. The candidate will need to fill in all required fields, which are preceded by an asterisk, on the online form in order to create an ID and be assigned a password;
- Applicant will take the practical exam and the written exam;
- Upon completion with a passing score and fees have been paid, the license will be mailed within 2-3 business days.

Continuing Education Requirements

No continuing education hours are required to renew your license in Massachusetts. Barber Licenses expire every odd numbered year on December 31st.

Authority: [240 CMR 2.01: Licensure Requirements](http://example.com)

Authority: [Barber Schools and License Requirements in Massachusetts](http://example.com)

Authority: [Massachusetts Barber Licensing Program Candidate Handbook](http://example.com)

Authority: [Fees and License Renewal Schedules for Cosmetology and Barbering](http://example.com)
Apprenticeship Programs

Applicant must originally be licensed as an apprentice barber. Once exam is complete, a required 18 months of supervision under a master barber is required before applying for master barber license.

Authority: Barber Schools and License Requirements in Massachusetts

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The board may register, without examination hairdresser or operator who has been registered as such under the laws of another state, which, in the opinion of the board, maintains a standard substantially equivalent to that of the commonwealth, and in which hairdressers, operators, manicurists or aestheticians registered in the commonwealth are given like recognition, upon payment of the fee.

Authority: G. L. c. 112, § 16-87z Reciprocity licensing; additional education requirement

Instructors

A Barber instructor must have a master barber's license.

Barber Schools and License Requirements in Massachusetts

Aestheticians

Licensing Requirements

Massachusetts has two classifications of licensure for cosmetologists and aestheticians. Work experience is the determining factor on the status classification. A cosmetologist's type 1 and an aesthetician's type 6 license are equivalent to a manager's license. To be eligible for a manager’s level, you must submit proof of at least 2 years work experience. An operator's license (type 2) or an aesthetician's license (type 7) will be issued to you if you have less than two years of work experience in your field.

Applicants interested in acquiring licensure for Aesthetics, under 240 CMR 2.00 code of Massachusetts, must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant, to be a type 7, is required to have successfully completed a course of at least three months, the course must have included at least 300 hours of professional training in an aesthetics school approved by the Board;
- Applicant must file the application to the Board accompanied by required fees and pass a practical and written exam.

Authority: 240 CMR 2.01: Licensure Requirements

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant must file an application with the Board, if the Board approves then the applicant may take the exam;
• Applicant must provide the required fees to take the exam and is will only have to pay for the license if they pass the examination;
• The exam is a practical and written exam;
• Applicant must schedule the exam through Pearsonvue - Pearsonvue;

Authority: Massachusetts Cosmetology Licensing Program Candidate Handbook

Continuing Education Requirements

No continuing education hours are required to renew your license in Massachusetts. Aesthetician Licenses expire every two years on the licensee’s birthday.

Authority: Fees and License Renewal Schedules for Cosmetology and Barbering

Apprenticeship Programs

Massachusetts does not allow apprenticeship programs for aestheticians. Hours of education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: 240 CMR 4.00: Operation of Cosmetology Schools

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The board may register, without examination hairdresser or operator who has been registered as such under the laws of another state, which, in the opinion of the board, maintains a standard substantially equivalent to that of the commonwealth, and in which hairdressers, operators, manicurists or aestheticians registered in the commonwealth are given like recognition, upon payment of the fee.

Authority: G. L. c. 112, § 16-87z Reciprocity licensing; additional education requirement

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in aesthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

Aesthetic Instructor:
• Applicant, to become a type 8 (Aesthetician Instructor), must be either be a type 7, type 6 – having a minimum of two years of practical experience, or a junior assistant with at least two years of experience as such;
• Applicant must file application with the Board accompanied by required fees and pass a practical examination.

Assistant Aesthetic Instructor:
• Applicant, pending examination as an aesthetics instructor – Type 8, may apply to the board and pay required fees and be issued an assistant aesthetics instructor license;
• The assistant aesthetics instructor license is valid for a maximum of six months and may not be renewed;
Junior Assistant Aesthetic Instructor:
- A graduate of an aesthetics school approved by the Board may apply to the Board;
- Applicant must pay required fees for licensure as a junior assistant instructor;
- The license is valid for a maximum two-year period and may not be renewed.

Authority: 240 CMR 2.01: Licensure Requirements

Manicurist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring shall obtain a license in compliance with 240 CMR 2.00 and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant, to become a type 3 manicurist, must have successfully completed a course of at least one month, which includes the required hours of professional training in a manicuring school approved by the Board;
- Applicant must file application with the Board accompanied by required fees and must achieve a passing score on an examination satisfactory to the board;
- A manicurist - Type 3 may be employed in a cosmetology salon, manicuring salon or an aesthetics salon;
- The license must be renewed on the date determined by the Board.

Authority: 240 CMR 2.01: Licensure Requirements

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicant must complete 100 hours of course study;
- Applicant must file an application to the Board;
- Applicant must pay required fees and receive a passing score satisfactory to the Board;
- Applicant must schedule the exam through Pearsonvue - Pearsonvue;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: Massachusetts Cosmetology Licensing Program Candidate Handbook

Continuing Education Requirements

No continuing education hours are required to renew your license in Massachusetts. Manicuring Licenses expire every two years on the licensee’s birthday.

Authority: Fees and License Renewal Schedules for Cosmetology and Barbering

Apprenticeship Programs

Massachusetts does not allow apprenticeship programs for manicurists. Hours of education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: 240 CMR 4.00: Operation of Cosmetology Schools
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The board may register, without examination hairdresser or operator who has been registered as such under the laws of another state, which, in the opinion of the board, maintains a standard substantially equivalent to that of the commonwealth, and in which hairdressers, operators, manicurists or aestheticians registered in the commonwealth are given like recognition, upon payment of the fee.

Authority: G. L. c. 112, § 16-87z Reciprocity licensing; additional education requirement

Instructors

In order to obtain an Instructor license, one must be licensed as a cosmetologist or aesthetician.

Authority: 240 CMR 2.01: Licensure Requirements

Make-up Artists

Make-up artists are licensed under aesthetics and cosmetology.

Authority: 240 CMR 2.01: Licensure Requirements

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Services are licensed in Massachusetts. The following rules apply to Mobile services:

- All persons and businesses that offer Mobile Services shall register with the Board and have a permanent address;
- Mobile Services may be provided to a consumer only by an individual licensed Type 1 Cosmetologist, Type 6 Aesthetician, Manicurist or Master Barber who:
  - Has registered with the Board to provide Mobile Services; and
  - Has been approved by the Board, which may require an appearance before the Board under the Board's Policy regarding review of applicants with criminal history or pending criminal charges;
- A Type 2 Cosmetologist (Operator), Type 7 Aesthetician and Apprentice Barber may provide Mobile Services only if he or she:
  - Is supervised at the Remote Location or in the Mobile Unit by the appropriate Type 1 Cosmetologist, Type 6 Aesthetician or Master Barber;
  - Has registered with the Board to provide Mobile Services; and
  - Has been approved by the Board, which may require an appearance before the Board under the Board's Policy regarding review of applicants with criminal history or pending criminal charges.;
- All persons or entities registering to provide Mobile Services shall provide a Business Address where they shall maintain the records required by this Policy, including but not limited to their original approved Mobile Registration, license numbers and copies of the Mobile Registrations of every Registrant engaged by a Mobile Business to provide Mobile Services, records of dates, times and locations of Mobile Services appointments, itineraries and Mobile Unit vehicle registration and insurance certificates;
Every registration to perform Mobile Services is valid only for the person, entity or Mobile Unit stated on the approved registration and is not transferable or assignable. The purchaser of an entity or Mobile Unit that has previously been registered and approved to provide Mobile Services must submit a new registration at least 30 days in advance of the sale or change in ownership.

Authority: Policy Bulletin: Mobile Cosmetology and Barbering Services

High School Cosmetology Programs

Massachusetts does have high school cosmetology programs. Students must complete 1,000 hours in the program and pass the state-licensing exams to receive licensure. No student may be granted credit for hours completed in a program prior to attaining the age of 16 years. No student may be granted credit for hours completed during the freshman or sophomore year of a program or as part of an "exploratory" or similarly titled program.

Authority: 240 Code Mass. Regs. 4.07: Public/Vocational Secondary

Additional Professions Licensed

- Demonstrator
- Body Piercing
- Electrology
- Massage Therapy
- Tattooing
MAINE

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to obtain a license of cosmetology in Kentucky, shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is at least 17 years of age;
- The applicant has satisfactorily completed the 10th grade in a secondary school or its equivalent;
- The applicant has satisfactorily completed a course of instruction in cosmetology of 1,500 hours in not less than 9 months in a school licensed by the director; or
- The applicant has experience in the practice of cosmetology as a trainee of 2,500 hours distributed over a period of at least 18 months;
- The applicant has passed an approved examination;
- The applicant pays the required fees.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14226. Qualifications; cosmetology

Exam Requirements

The following exam requirements for any individual wishing to obtain a license of cosmetology:

- Applicant must complete 1,500 hours in a licensed school; or
- Applicant must complete 2,500 hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must pass the written and practical examinations;
- Upon passing, applicant pays the required fees.

Authority: Maine Board of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensing Program

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licensees must renew their licenses annually by filing an application and paying the renewal fee.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14235. Licenses; renewal

Apprenticeship Programs

A cosmetology apprenticeship has a term of 2,500 hours distributed over a period of at least 18 months.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14226. Qualifications; cosmetology

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The director may waive the examination and grant a license to any applicant who presents proof of being licensed to practice by another state or other jurisdiction of the United States or another
country that maintains professional standards considered by the director to be equivalent to or higher than those set forth by the state of Maine.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14231. Endorsement; examination eligibility for out-of-state applicants

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in instruction shall meet one of these four following qualifications:

Pathway 1: Student Instructor Training
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
- Transcript or affidavit demonstrating that you have satisfactorily completed an instructor course of study of 600 hours at a licensed school.

Pathway 2: Practice Experience
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent;
- Proof of a minimum of 1,500 hours of license practice work experience obtained during the 5 years immediately preceding the submission of application; and
- Transcripts from a post-secondary school showing evidence of 4 credits directly related to education or teaching.

Pathway 3: Post-Secondary Education Related to Teaching
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
- Transcripts from a post-secondary school showing evidence of 9 credits directly related to education or teaching.

Pathway 4: Endorsement
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
- An original verification of licensure from the state licensing board or jurisdiction that you currently hold a valid Instructor license.

Authority: Maine Board of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensing Program

Stylists

Stylists are defined under cosmetology and barbering.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14202. Definitions
Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is at least 17 years of age;
- The applicant has satisfactorily completed the 10th grade in a secondary school or its equivalent;
- The applicant has satisfactorily completed a course of instruction in barbering of 1,500 hours in not less than 9 months in a school licensed by the director; or
- The applicant has experience in the practice of barbering as a trainee of 2,500 hours distributed over a period of at least 18 months;
- The applicant has passed an approved examination;
- The applicant pays the required fees.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14227. Qualifications; barbering

Exam Requirements

The following exam requirements for any individual wishing to obtain a license of barbering:

- Applicant must complete 1,500 hours in a licensed school; or
- Applicant must complete 2,500 hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must pass the written and practical examinations;
- Upon passing, applicant pays the required fees.

Authority: Maine Board of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensing Program

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licensees must renew their licenses annually by filing an application and paying the renewal fee.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14235. Licenses; renewal

Apprenticeship Programs

A barbering apprenticeship has a term of 2,500 hours distributed over a period of at least 18 months.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14227. Qualifications; barbering

The director may waive the examination and grant a license to any applicant who presents proof of being licensed to practice by another state or other jurisdiction of the United States or another country that maintains professional standards considered by the director to be equivalent to or higher than those set forth by the state of Maine.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14231. Endorsement; examination eligibility for out-of-state applicants
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in instruction shall meet one of these four following qualifications:

Pathway 1: Student Instructor Training
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
- Transcript or affidavit demonstrating that you have satisfactorily completed an instructor course of study of 600 hours at a licensed school.

Pathway 2: Practice Experience
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent;
- Proof of a minimum of 1,500 hours of license practice work experience obtained during the 5 years immediately preceding the submission of application; and
- Transcripts from a post-secondary school showing evidence of 4 credits directly related to education or teaching.

Pathway 3: Post-Secondary Education Related to Teaching
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
- Transcripts from a post-secondary school showing evidence of 9 credits directly related to education or teaching.

Pathway 4: Endorsement
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
- An original verification of licensure from the state licensing board or jurisdiction that you currently hold a valid Instructor license.

Authority: Maine Board of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensing Program

Aestheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in aesthetics shall meet the following qualifications:
- The applicant is at least 17 years of age;
- The applicant has satisfactorily completed the 10th grade in a secondary school or its equivalent;
- The applicant has satisfactorily completed a course of instruction in aesthetics of 600 hours in not less than 3 months in a school licensed by the director; or
- The applicant has experience in the practice of aesthetics as a trainee of 1,000 hours distributed over a period of at least 6 months;
The applicant has passed an approved examination;
The applicant pays the required fees.

**Authority:** [32 M.R.S. §14228. Qualifications; aesthetics](#)

**Exam Requirements**

The following exam requirements for any individual wishing to obtain a license of esthetic:
- Applicant must complete 600 hours in a licensed school; or
- Applicant must complete 1,000 hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must pass the written and practical examinations;
- Upon passing, applicant pays the required fees.

**Authority:** [Maine Board of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensing Program](#)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Licensees must renew their licenses annually by filing an application and paying the renewal fee.

**Authority:** [32 M.R.S. §14235. Licenses; renewal](#)

**Apprenticeship Programs**

An aesthetician apprenticeship has a term of 1,000 hours distributed over a period of at least 6 months.

**Authority:** [32 M.R.S. §14228. Qualifications; aesthetics](#)

The director may waive the examination and grant a license to any applicant who presents proof of being licensed to practice by another state or other jurisdiction of the United States or another country that maintains professional standards considered by the director to be equivalent to or higher than those set forth by the state of Maine.

**Authority:** [32 M.R.S. §14231. Endorsement; examination eligibility for out-of-state applicants](#)

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in instruction shall meet one of these four following qualifications:

**Pathway 1: Student Instructor Training**
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
- Transcript or affidavit demonstrating that you have satisfactorily completed an instructor course of study of 600 hours at a licensed school.
Pathway 2: Practice Experience
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent;
- Proof of a minimum of 1,500 hours of license practice work experience obtained during the 5 years immediately preceding the submission of application; and
- Transcripts from a post-secondary school showing evidence of 4 credits directly related to education or teaching.

Pathway 3: Post-Secondary Education Related to Teaching
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
- Transcripts from a post-secondary school showing evidence of 9 credits directly related to education or teaching.

Pathway 4: Endorsement
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
- An original verification of licensure from the state licensing board or jurisdiction that you currently hold a valid Instructor license.

Authority: Maine Board of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensing Program

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in aesthetics shall meet the following qualifications:
- The applicant is at least 17 years of age;
- The applicant has satisfactorily completed the 10th grade in a secondary school or its equivalent;
- The applicant has satisfactorily completed a course of instruction in nail technology of 200 hours in not less than 5 weeks in a school licensed by the director; or
- The applicant has experience in the practice of cosmetology as a trainee of 400 hours distributed over a period of at least 10 weeks;
- The applicant has passed an approved examination;
- The applicant pays the required fees.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14229. Qualifications; nail technology

Exam Requirements

The following exam requirements for any individual wishing to obtain a license in nail technology:
- Applicant must complete 200 hours in a licensed school; or
- Applicant must complete 400 hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant must pass the written and practical examinations;
- Upon passing, applicant pays the required fees.
**Authority:** [Maine Board of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensing Program](#)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Licensees must renew their licenses annually by filing an application and paying the renewal fee.

*Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14235. Licenses; renewal*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

A nail technician apprenticeship has a term of 400 hours distributed over a period of at least 10 weeks.

*Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14229. Qualifications; nail technology*

The director may waive the examination and grant a license to any applicant who presents proof of being licensed to practice by another state or other jurisdiction of the United States or another country that maintains professional standards considered by the director to be equivalent to or higher than those set forth by the state of Maine.

*Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14231. Endorsement; examination eligibility for out-of-state applicants*

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in instruction shall meet one of these four following qualifications:

**Pathway 1: Student Instructor Training**
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
- Transcript or affidavit demonstrating that you have satisfactorily completed an instructor course of study of 600 hours at a licensed school.

**Pathway 2: Practice Experience**
- Fee;
- Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent;
- Proof of a minimum of 1,500 hours of license practice work experience obtained during the 5 years immediately preceding the submission of application; and
- Transcripts from a post-secondary school showing evidence of 4 credits directly related to education or teaching.

**Pathway 3: Post-Secondary Education Related to Teaching**
- Fee;
• Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
• Transcripts from a post-secondary school showing evidence of 9 credits directly related to education or teaching.

Pathway 4: Endorsement
• Fee;
• Proof that you have completed at least the 12th grade in a secondary school of learning or its equivalent; and
• An original verification of licensure from the state licensing board or jurisdiction that you currently hold a valid Instructor license.

Authority: Maine Board of Barbering and Cosmetology Licensing Program

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Aesthetics.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14202. Definitions

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology services are licensed

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14225. Special mobile shop license

High School Cosmetology Programs

There are no specific rules governing high school cosmetology programs in Maine.

Authority: 32 M.R.S. §14226. Qualifications; cosmetology

Additional Professions Licensed

• Body Piercer/ Tattooer
• Demonstrator
• Electrology
• Limited Barber
• Massage Therapy
**MICHIGAN**

**Cosmetologists**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology, shall obtain a license in compliance with the Code of Michigan and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant must have completed a 9th grade education or equivalent;
- Applicant completes the required hours of cosmetology training in a licensed school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant performs an apprenticeship program within a licensed cosmetology establishment;
- Applicant must take the examinations through PSI;
- Applicant must submit an application with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

*Authority: [Michigan Cosmetology Licensing Guide](#)*

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 1,500 hours at a cosmetology school;
- Applicant shall complete a 2-year apprenticeship program;
- Applicant must pass both a theory and practical examination through PSI;
- To pass a score of 75% or grader must be achieved;
- Upon passing, Applicant must pay the required fees.

*Authority: [Michigan Cosmetology Examination Application Information](#)*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements in Michigan. Licenses expire every 2 years on August 31st.

*Authority: [Michigan Renewing a License](#)*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Apprentice programs are approved by the department providing the licensee has been a licensed practitioner of the occupation for at least 3 years, and that the shop is an actively licensed cosmetology establishment.

Apprentice programs must follow these guidelines:

- Cosmetology Apprentices must complete 24 months of education;
• Apprentices shall train no more than 7 hours a day or not more than 40 hours per week while receiving an average of not less than 80 hours per month in the prescribed curriculum;
• Apprentice advisor must send monthly time sheet to the department before the tenth day of the following month;
• Cosmetology apprentices may perform services for clients of the shop only after completing 350 hours in the cosmetology curriculum
• Apprentices shall receive no pay for services rendered, and those services must be under the direct supervision of his or her practitioner.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Apprenticeships

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

An individual licensed in another state, US territory, or country may qualify for licensure in Michigan providing that the person has experience and training substantially equal to that required in Michigan. Licensed work experience can substitute for training hours in a ratio of 100 hours for each 6 months of experience.

Authority: Michigan Reciprocity License

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Have graduated high school or equivalent;
• Is of good moral character;
• Is currently licensed as a cosmetologist;
• Complete n 500 hours of training in a licensed school of cosmetology;
• Possess at least 3 years of practical experience with at least 1 year of which shall be in a licensed cosmetology establishment;
• Pass the required examination administered by PSI Services;
• Submit Instructor License Application with the required fees.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Licensing Guide

Hairstylists

Hairstylist are licensed under Cosmetology and Barbering.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Licensing Guide

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Code of Michigan and shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
• Applicant has at least a 10th grade education or equivalent;
• Applicant completes the required hours of barbering training in a licensed barber college;
• Applicant must take the examinations through PSI;
• Applicant must apply with the required documents;
• Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: [Michigan Barber Requirements](#)

Exam Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall complete 1,800 hours at a cosmetology school;
• Applicant must pass both a theory and practical examinations through PSI;
• To pass a score of 75% or grader must be achieved;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: [Michigan Barber Examination Process](#)

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. The Barber license expires biennially September 30th of odd-numbered years.

Authority: [Michigan Renewing a License](#)

Apprenticeship Programs

There are no apprenticeships. Required hours need to be completed in a licensed barber college.

Authority: [Michigan Barber Requirements](#)

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Barbers who are currently licensed in another state, country, or jurisdiction may apply for a Michigan license by reciprocity. An individual licensed may qualify for licensure in Michigan providing that the person has experience and training substantially equal to that required in Michigan.

Authority: [Michigan Barber Requirements](#)

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barber instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant must have attended barber college for a year of instructor training; or
• Applicant has successfully completed 60 semester hours (90 term hours) in a course of instruction approved by the board;
• Applicant shall pass the instructor examination through PSI;
• Applicant shall pay the required fees.
Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics, shall obtain a license in compliance with the Code of Michigan and shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- The applicant shall be of good moral character;
- The applicant shall have an education equivalent to the completion of the ninth grade;
- The applicant shall have completed hours of training in a licensed school of cosmetology; or
- The applicant as an apprentice in a licensed cosmetology establishment where skin care services are rendered;
- Applicant must take the examinations through PSI;
- Applicant must submit an application with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 400 hours at a cosmetology school;
- Applicant shall complete a 6-month apprenticeship program;
- Applicant must pass both a theory and practical examinations through PSI;
- To pass a score of 75% or grader must be achieved;
- Upon passing, Applicant must pay the required fees.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Michigan. Licenses expire every 2 years on August 31st.

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprentice programs are approved by the department providing the licensee has been a licensed practitioner of the occupation for at least 3 years, and that the shop is an actively licensed cosmetology establishment.

Apprentice programs must follow these guidelines:

- Esthetician Apprentices must complete 6 months of education;
- Apprentices shall train no more than 7 hours a day or not more than 40 hours per week while receiving an average of not less than 80 hours per month in the prescribed curriculum;
• Apprentice advisor must send monthly time sheet to the department before the tenth day of the following month;
• Esthetics apprentices may perform services for clients of the shop only after completing 120 hours in the cosmetology curriculum
• Apprentices shall receive no pay for services rendered, and those services must be under the direct supervision of his or her practitioner.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Apprenticeships

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

An individual licensed in another state, US territory, or country may qualify for licensure in Michigan providing that the person has experience and training substantially equal to that required in Michigan. Licensed work experience can substitute for training hours in a ratio of 100 hours for each 6 months of experience.

Authority: Michigan Reciprocity License

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Have graduated high school or equivalent;
• Is of good moral character;
• Is currently licensed as an esthetician;
• Complete 300 hours of training in a licensed school of cosmetology;
• Pass the required examination administered by PSI Services;
• Submit Instructor License Application with the required fees.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Licensing Guide

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology, shall obtain a license in compliance with the Code of Michigan and shall meet the following qualifications:
• The applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
• The applicant shall be of good moral character;
• The applicant shall have an education equivalent to the completion of the ninth grade;
• The applicant shall have completed hours of training in a licensed school of cosmetology; or
• The applicant as an apprentice in a licensed cosmetology establishment where skin care services are rendered;
• Applicant must take the examinations through PSI;
• Applicant must submit an application with the required documents;
• Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Licensing Guide
Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 400 hours at a cosmetology school;
- Applicant shall complete a 6-month apprenticeship program;
- Applicant must pass both a theory and practical examinations through PSI;
- To pass a score of 75% or greater must be achieved;
- Upon passing, Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Examination Application Information

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in Michigan. Licenses expire every 2 years on August 31st.

Authority: Michigan Renewing a License

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprentice programs are approved by the department providing the licensee has been a licensed practitioner of the occupation for at least 3 years, and that the shop is an actively licensed cosmetology establishment.

Apprentice programs must follow these guidelines:

- Nail Technician Apprentices must complete 6 months of education;
- Apprentices shall train no more than 7 hours a day or not more than 40 hours per week while receiving an average of not less than 80 hours per month in the prescribed curriculum;
- Apprentice advisor must send monthly time sheet to the department before the tenth day of the following month;
- Nail Technology apprentices may perform services for clients of the shop only after completing 120 hours in the cosmetology curriculum
- Apprentices shall receive no pay for services rendered, and those services must be under the direct supervision of his or her practitioner.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Apprenticeships

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

An individual licensed in another state, US territory, or country may qualify for licensure in Michigan providing that the person has experience and training substantially equal to that required in Michigan. Licensed work experience can substitute for training hours in a ratio of 100 hours for each 6 months of experience.

Authority: Michigan Reciprocity License
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Have graduated high school or equivalent;
- Is of good moral character;
- Is currently licensed as a nail technician;
- Complete 300 hours of training in a licensed school of cosmetology;
- Pass the required examination administered by PSI Services;
- Submit Instructor License Application with the required fees.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Licensing Guide

Make-up Artists

Make-up artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Licensing Guide

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Services are not licensed in Michigan.

Authority: Cosmetology Shop License Requirements

High School Cosmetology Programs

In Michigan, there are high school cosmetology programs offered. However, there are no specific rules governing high school cosmetology. Students are required to complete the same number of required hours as any other student.

Authority: Michigan Cosmetology Schools

Additional Professions Licensed

- Body piercing
- Branding
- Electrology
- Massage Therapy
- Natural Hair Culturist
- Tattooing
MINNESOTA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall possess a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the required examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: Minn. R. 2105.0145

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 1,550 hours of training;
- Applicant shall pass the general theory test, a written practical test, and a test on the Minnesota laws and rules;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Minn. R. 2105.0145

Continuing Education Requirements

Cosmetologists in Minnesota must renew their license every year by the last day of their birth month. Practitioners are required to complete 4 hours of continuing education every cycle. However, 4 extra hours of continuing education must be received starting August 2017. These hour must include:

- product chemistry and chemical interaction;
- proper use and maintenance of machines and instruments;
- business management, professional ethics, and human relations; or
- techniques relevant to the type of license held.

These credits will be valid for three years and will NOT overlap with the 4 hours required each renewal period.

Instructors are required to complete 45 hours of continuing education within a 3-year period. 30 hours shall be in teaching methodology and 15 hours will be on clinical practice in the field of licensure.

Authority: Minn. R. 2105.0200
Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Minnesota. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: Minn. R. 2105.0145

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Minnesota. To obtain a license in another state or country, an Applicant must submit an application to the Board.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant must have completed 1,550 hours of education; or
- Applicant must have been licensed for 3 years;
- Applicant must provide proof of high school education or equivalent;
- Applicant must submit written and practical examination results not more than a year old;
- Applicant must have passed the Minnesota state rules and laws test within the last year;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: Minn. R. 2105.0183

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Shall submit a completed application form;
- Shall hold a current Minnesota cosmetologist license;
- Shall have at least 2,700 hours of licensed practice as a cosmetologist;
- Shall complete the board approved instructor course;
- Shall pass the instructor examination;
- Shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Minn. R. 2105.0145

Hairstylists

Hairstylists are licensed under Cosmetology and Barbering.


Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall successfully complete the required hours of study from a Board approved school;
Applicant shall pass an examination;
Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: Minn. Stat. Ann. § 154.05

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall complete 1,500 hours of study at a registered Barber school;
• Applicant shall pass an examination consisting of 6 parts (1 written, 1 oral, and 4 practical);
• Applicant must receive a 55 or higher on the test;
• Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Minn. R. 2100.2900

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire December 31st of every year.

Authority: Minn. Stat. Ann. § 154.15

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Minnesota. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: Minn. Stat. Ann. § 154.05

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Minnesota, based on holding a current valid license in another state or country, an Applicant must submit an Application to the Board. If the Applicant’s education and examination requirements are equal to that of the state, they will receive a license without examination. Otherwise, Applicants may need to obtain training and will have to take the examination for licensure.

Authority: Minn. Stat. Ann. § 154.11

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant must have been practicing for 3 years as a barber;
• Applicant must take the instructor examination and score a 75% or higher.

Authority: Minn. R. 2100.4500
Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall possess a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the required examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: [Minn. R. 2105.0145](#)

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall submit the following:

- Applicant shall complete 600 hours of training;
- Applicant shall pass the general theory test, a written practical test, and a test on the Minnesota laws and rules;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: [Minn. R. 2105.0145](#)

Continuing Education Requirements

Estheticians in Minnesota must renew their license every year by the last day of their birth month. Practitioners are required to complete 4 hours of continuing education every cycle. However, 4 extra hours of continuing education must be received starting August 2017. These hour must include:

- product chemistry and chemical interaction;
- proper use and maintenance of machines and instruments;
- business management, professional ethics, and human relations; or
- techniques relevant to the type of license held.

These credits will be valid for three years and will NOT overlap with the 4 hours required each renewal period.

Instructors are required to complete 45 hours of continuing education within a 3-year period. 30 hours shall be in teaching methodology and 15 hours will be on clinical practice in the field of licensure.

Authority: [Minn. R. 2105.0200](#)

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Minnesota. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is not offered in Minnesota. To obtain a license in another state or country, an Applicant must submit an Application to the Board.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant must have completed 600 hours of education; or
- Applicant must have been licensed for 3 years;
- Applicant must provide proof of high school education or equivalent;
- Applicant must submit written and practical examination results not more than a year old;
- Applicant must have passed the Minnesota state rules and laws test within the last year;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Shall submit a completed application form;
- Shall hold a current Minnesota esthetics license;
- Shall have at least 2,700 hours of licensed practice as an esthetician;
- Shall complete the board approved instructor course;
- Shall pass the instructor examination;
- Shall pay the required fees.

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall possess a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the required examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicant shall complete 350 hours of training;
Applicant shall pass the general theory test, a written practical test, and a test on the Minnesota laws and rules; 
Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:** Minn. R. 2105.0145

**Continuing Education Requirements**

Nail Technicians in Minnesota must renew their license every year by the last day of their birth month. Practitioners are required to complete 4 hours of continuing education every cycle. However, 4 extra hours of continuing education must be received starting August 2017. These hour must include:

- product chemistry and chemical interaction;
- proper use and maintenance of machines and instruments;
- business management, professional ethics, and human relations; or
- techniques relevant to the type of license held.

These credits will be valid for three years and will NOT overlap with the 4 hours required each renewal period.

Instructors are required to complete 45 hours of continuing education within a 3-year period. 30 hours shall be in teaching methodology and 15 hours will be on clinical practice in the field of licensure.

**Authority:** Minn. R. 2105.0200

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Minnesota. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

**Authority:** Minn. R. 2105.0145

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

Reciprocity is not offered in Minnesota. To obtain a license in another state or country, an Applicant must submit an Application to the Board.

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Applicant must have completed 350 hours of education; or
- Applicant must have been licensed for 3 years;
- Applicant must provide proof of high school education or equivalent;
- Applicant must submit written and practical examination results not more than a year old;
- Applicant must have passed the Minnesota state rules and laws test within the last year;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

**Authority:** Minn. R. 2105.0183
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Shall submit a completed application form;
- Shall hold a current Minnesota nail technology license;
- Shall have at least 2,700 hours of licensed practice as a nail technologist;
- Shall complete the board approved instructor course;
- Shall pass the instructor examination;
- Shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Minn. R. 2105.0145

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.


Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Salons are licensed in Minnesota. In addition to complying with the requirements for a salon, the holder of a salon license for a mobile salon must:

- Maintain a permanent business address; and
- Notify the board of locations and schedule of operation of a mobile salon


High School Cosmetology Programs

There are no specific rules governing high school cosmetology programs in Minnesota.

Authority: Minn. R. 2105.0145

Additional Professions Licensed

- Advanced practice esthetics (Electrology)
- Body Art Technology
- Eye lash Technology
- Hair Braiding
MISSOURI

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Missouri Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age;
• Applicant must be of good moral character
• Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
• Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall take the Board approved examinations through the Professional Credential Services (PCS);
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: § 329.050.1, RSMo

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicants shall have completed the 1,500 hours of training; or
• Applicant shall have completed 1,220 hours of training at a vocational-technical school; or
• Applicant shall have completed 3,000 hours of apprenticeship;
• Applicant shall pass a written examination and a practical examination;
• The minimum passing examination scores required for licensure are 75 on each examination;
• Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-7 Cosmetology Licensing

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for Cosmetology licenses. Cosmetology instructors are required to complete 8 hours of education through Board approved seminars before renewing their licenses. All licenses expire September 30th of every odd year.

Authority: Missouri Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners Renewal Dates

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Missouri shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

• Applicant shall complete the minimum requirement for apprentice training of 3,000 hours within 5 years since the enrollment application had been received;
• All Apprentices shall be under the supervision of the approved apprentice supervisor or an acting supervisor as provided by the rules of the Board;
• Apprentices shall receive no less than 1 hour of combined lectures and demonstrations each business day, excluding Saturday.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-9 Apprenticeships—Barber and Cosmetology

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in Missouri. To obtain a license, based on holding a current valid license in another state or jurisdiction of the United States, an Applicant must submit an Application to the Board. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:
• Applicant has practiced cosmetology for at least 2 years; or
• Applicant holds a current license that was obtained through requirements equal or superior to those in Missouri.

Otherwise the Applicant will need to complete a certain number of hours of training specified by the Board and the examinations in order to receive a license.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-7 Cosmetology Licensing

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall have completed the 12th grade or equivalent;
• Applicant shall be in good physical and mental health;
• Applicant is currently licensed as a cosmetologist;
• Applicant shall complete 600 hours of instructor training; or
• Applicant shall be an instructor trainee for 3 or more years and complete 300 hours of instructor training;
• Applicant shall take the required written and oral examinations.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-8 Cosmetology Instructors and Instructor Trainees

Hairdresser

Hairdressers are licensed in Missouri as a Class CH license. This is licensed under Cosmetology. There are no rules regarding hairdressing education and licensing requirements. To obtain a hairdressing license one must get a cosmetology license.

Authority: § 329.010, RSMo
Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Missouri Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- The Applicant is 17 years of age or older;
- The Applicant is free of contagious and infectious diseases;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall take the Board approved examinations through the Professional Credential Services (PCS);
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: § 328.080, RSMo

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall have completed 1,000 hours of training in licensed school; or
- Applicant shall complete 2,000 hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall pass both a practical and theoretical examination;
- The minimum passing examination score required for licensure is 75 on each examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-5 Barber Licensing

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. All licenses expire September 30th, of every odd year.

Authority: Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners Renewal Dates

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Missouri shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Applicant shall complete the minimum requirement for apprentice training of 2,000 hours within 5 years since the enrollment application had been received;
- All Apprentices shall be under the supervision of the approved apprentice supervisor or an acting supervisor as provided by the rules of the Board;
- Apprentices shall receive no less than 1 hour of combined lectures and demonstrations each business day, excluding Saturday.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-9 Apprenticeships—Barber and Cosmetology
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in Missouri. To obtain a license, based on holding a current valid license in another state, territory or jurisdiction of the United States, an Applicant must submit an Application to the Board. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant has practiced barbering for at least 2 years; or
- Applicant holds a current license that was obtained through requirements equal or superior to those in Missouri.

Otherwise, the Applicant can apply through the Board for licensure through examination.

Authority: [20 CSR 2085-5 Barber Licensing](#)

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall hold a current Missouri barber license;
- Applicant shall take and pass all three parts of the examination. These include one written evaluation, one practical evaluation, and one presentation of a lesson plan;
- Upon passing Applicant pays the required license fee.

Authority: [20 CSR 2085-6.010 Barber Instructors](#)

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the Missouri Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character
- Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall take the Board approved examinations through the Professional Credential Services (PCS);
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: [§ 329.050.1, RSMo](#)

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall submit the following:
- Applicants shall have completed the 750 hours of training; or
- Applicant shall have completed 1,500 hours of apprenticeship;
• Applicant shall pass a written examination and a practical examination;
  • The minimum passing examination scores required for licensure are 75 on each examination;
  • Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-7 Cosmetology Licensing

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for Esthetician licenses. Esthetics instructors are required to complete 8 hours of education through Board approved seminars before renewing their licenses. All licenses expire September 30th of every odd year.

Authority: Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners Renewal Dates

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Missouri shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

• Applicant shall complete the minimum requirement for apprentice training of 1,500 hours within 5 years since the enrollment application had been received;
• All Apprentices shall be under the supervision of the approved apprentice supervisor or an acting supervisor as provided by the rules of the Board;
• Apprentices shall receive no less than 1 hour of combined lectures and demonstrations each business day, excluding Saturday.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-9 Apprenticeships—Barber and Cosmetology

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in Missouri. To obtain a license, based on holding a current valid license in another state or jurisdiction of the United States, an Applicant must submit an Application to the Board. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:

• Applicant has practiced esthetics for at least 2 years; or
• Applicant holds a current license that was obtained through requirements equal or superior to those in Missouri.

Otherwise the Applicant will need to complete a certain number of hours of training specified by the Board and the examinations in order to receive a license.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-7 Cosmetology Licensing

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall have completed the 12th grade or equivalent;
• Applicant shall be in good physical and mental health;
• Applicant is currently licensed as an esthetician;
• Applicant shall complete 600 hours of instructor training; or
• Applicant shall be an instructor trainee for 3 or more years and complete 300 hours of instructor training;
• Applicant shall take the required written and oral examinations.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-8 Cosmetology Instructors and Instructor Trainees

Manicurist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring shall obtain a license in compliance with the Missouri Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age;
• Applicant must be of good moral character
• Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
• Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall take the Board approved examinations through the Professional Credential Services (PCS);
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: § 329.050.1, RSMo

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicants shall have completed the 400 hours of training; or
• Applicant shall have completed 800 hours of apprenticeship;
• Applicant shall pass a written examination and a practical examination;
• The minimum passing examination scores required for licensure are 75 on each examination;
• Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-7 Cosmetology Licensing

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for Cosmetology licenses. Cosmetology instructors are required to complete 8 hours of education through Board approved seminars before renewing their licenses. All licenses expire September 30th of every odd year.

Authority: Missouri Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners Renewal Dates
Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Missouri shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Applicant shall complete the minimum requirement for apprentice training of 800 hours within 5 years since the enrollment application had been received;
- All Apprentices shall be under the supervision of the approved apprentice supervisor or an acting supervisor as provided by the rules of the Board;
- Apprentices shall receive no less than 1 hour of combined lectures and demonstrations each business day, excluding Saturday.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-9 Apprenticeships—Barber and Cosmetology

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in Missouri. To obtain a license, based on holding a current valid license in another state or jurisdiction of the United States, an Applicant must submit an Application to the Board. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant has practiced manicuring for at least 2 years; or
- Applicant holds a current license that was obtained through requirements equal or superior to those in Missouri.

Otherwise the Applicant will need to complete a certain number of hours of training specified by the Board and the examinations in order to receive a license.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-7 Cosmetology Licensing

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall have completed the 12th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant shall be in good physical and mental health;
- Applicant is currently licensed as a manicurist;
- Applicant shall complete 600 hours of instructor training; or
- Applicant shall be an instructor trainee for 3 or more years and complete 300 hours of instructor training;
- Applicant shall take the required written and oral examinations.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-8 Cosmetology Instructors and Instructor Trainees

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Estheticians.

Authority: § 329.010, RSMo
Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

There are no rules governing Mobile Cosmetology salons in Missouri.

Authority: § 329.045, RSMo

High School Cosmetology Programs

As long as high schoolers meet the age and education requirements they may enroll in a cosmetology school. Vocational/Technical schools require only 1250 hours of instruction.

Authority: 20 CSR 2085-12 Schools and Student Rules- Barber and Cosmetology

Additional Professions Licensed

- Body Piercing
- Branding
- Tattooing
- Therapeutic Massage
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Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements
Any individual who wishes to obtain a cosmetology license must pass an examination. In order to be eligible for the examination, individuals must meet the following requirements:

- Make application to the board in proper form, and has paid the required fee;
- Is at least 17 years old;
- Can read, write, and speak English;
- Has successfully completed no less than 1500 hours over a period of no less than 9 months in an accredited school of cosmetology;
- Has a high school education or its equivalent or has been successfully enrolled in a community college;
- After successful completion of the examination an applicant shall be issued a cosmetology license.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-7-13

Exam Requirements
The Board of Cosmetology offers examinations through a testing service. Application for an examination and license shall be accompanied by two passport photographs of the applicant. Applicants must complete 1,500 hours at an accredited school of cosmetology. Applicants who satisfactorily pass the prescribed examination, will be issued a cosmetology license. To pass, an applicant must achieve a grade of no less than 70% on each portion of the exam.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-7-12 - Miss. Code Ann. §§ 73-7-7, 73-7-19

Continuing Education Requirements
Any person who holds a current valid cosmetology license may be licensed as a master cosmetologist if he or she has been a licensed cosmetologist, in this state for a period of not less than 12 months, and has completed a minimum course of 16 hours' study in continuing education approved by the board within the licensing period preceding initial application for the license, and has paid the original license fee.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-7-14

Apprenticeship Programs
There are no apprenticeship programs in the state of Mississippi for cosmetologists.

Authority: MS Board of Cosmetology
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

An individual who holds a current license from another state with whom Mississippi has a reciprocal agreement may be eligible for a practitioner license. Applicants must complete application for reciprocity in addition, they must also cause an affidavit or certification to be issued by the board in which the training was acquired or the license is held. Applicant must also appear for an application eligibility interview and present documents.

Authority: MS Rule 2.11

Instructors

Any person who wishes to obtain a cosmetology instructor’s license must make application to the board, paid the required fee, and who:

- Must be at least 21 years of age;
- Can read, write and speak English;
- Is a graduate of a licensed cosmetology school;
- Has a high school education or its equivalent;
- Has successfully completed 1000 hours of instructor training in an accredited school of cosmetology;
- Has successfully completed 6 semester hours in college courses approved by the board;
- Holds a current, valid Mississippi cosmetology license;
- Has at least 1-year active practical experience as a cosmetologist or, as an alternative to such experience, has successfully completed 1,000 hours of instructor training in an accredited school of cosmetology.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-7-15

Stylists

See cosmetology section.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-7-2 (ii)

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any person who wishes to be eligible for enrolment at a barbering school must have:

- A high school education;
- Have satisfactorily passed the ability-to-benefit examinations;
- Provide a criminal background check performed within 30 days before the Board of Barber examiners and have received the boards approved for enrollment.

Any person is qualified to receive a certificate of registration to practice barbering if they meet these requirements:

- Is qualified under the provisions of this chapter;
• Is of good moral character and temperate habits;
• Has completed not less than 1,500 hours at a barbering school approved by the State Board of Barber Examiners;
• Has passed a satisfactory examination conducted by the board of examiners to determine the applicant’s fitness to practice barbering.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-5-11

Exam Requirements
The fee for taking an examination as a registered barber shall be no more than $55.00. Test consists of practical and written portions. The examination of applicants for certificates of registration as registered barbers shall include both a practical demonstration and a written and oral test, and shall embrace the subjects usually practiced in a duly licensed shop of Mississippi under the direct and personal supervision of a registered barber. The examination of applicants for certificates of registration as barber instructors shall include such subjects as the board deems necessary to determine the applicant’s fitness to practice as a barber instructor.

Authority: Miss. Code Section 73-5-17

Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-5-37

Apprenticeship Programs
There are no approved apprenticeship programs in MS.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
Any person who wishes to obtain a license through reciprocity must pay the fee of $150.00 and meet the following requirements:
• Is at least 18 years old;
• Is of good moral character and temperate habits;
• Either has a license or certificate of registration as a practicing barber in another state or country that has substantially the same requirements for licensing or registration of barbers as are contained in this chapter, or can prove by sworn affidavits that he has lawfully practiced as a barber in another state or country for at least five (5) years immediately before making application in this state, or can show to the satisfaction of the board that he had held a rating in a branch of the military service for two (2) or more years that required him to perform the duties of a barber. The issuance of a certificate of registration by reciprocity to a military-trained applicant or military spouse shall be subject to the provisions of Section 73-50-1.

Authority: Miss. Code § 73-5-21
**Instructors**

In order to receive certification as a barber instructor an individual must meet the following requirements:

- Is 18 years of age or older;
- Is of good moral and temperate habits;
- Is able to read, write and speak English;
- Possesses a high school education or its equivalent;
- Has successfully completed 1,500 hours at a barbering school approved by the Board and holds a valid certificate of registration to practice barbering;
- Has 2 years of active experience as a registered barber and has successfully completed 600 hours of barber instructor training at a school approved by the board;
- Has passed a satisfactory examination conducted by the board to determine his fitness to practice as a barber instructor.

*Authority: Miss. Code Section 73-5-8*

**Estheticians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to be a licensed as an esthetician must meet the following requirements:

- Is at least 17 years of age;
- Can read, write and speak English;
- Has a high school education or its equivalent;
- Has successfully completed a course of training in esthetics of not less than 600 hours in an accredited school in which the practice of esthetics is taught, including not less than 100 hours of theory and 500 hours of skill practice.

*Authority: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-7-18*

**Exam Requirements**

To be eligible for examination, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Be at least 17 years of age;
- Be able to read, write and speak English;
- Have 12th grade education or equivalent;
- Must have successfully completed a course of training for which application for licensure is being made.

An application for examination must be submitted on a form prescribed by the Board and accompanied by the following:

- Two recent passport photographs of the applicant, taken within 90 days prior to application.

*Authority: Miss. Code Ann. §§ 73-7-7, 73-7-13*
Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements for estheticians. However, a master esthetician must complete 8 hours biennially of continuing education. In order to become a master esthetician must meet these requirements:

- He/she has been licensed as a cosmetologist, manicurist or esthetician in this state for at least 12 months;
- Proof of having acquired 8 hours of continuing education approved by the Board prior to the date of application, is on record with the Board.

Authority: Miss. Rule 6.2 (B)

Apprenticeship Programs
There are no apprenticeship programs in MS.

Authority: MS Board of Cosmetology Ch. 2

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
In order to be eligible to receive a license through reciprocity, an individual must hold a current license from another state with whom Mississippi has a reciprocal agreement. An individual must them complete the application process which consists of the following:

- Complete an Application for Reciprocity, which must be completed in its entirety and submitted to the Board;
- Appear for an Application Eligibility Interview;
- If the applicant is deemed to meet all reciprocity eligibility requirements, he or she is required to:
  o Complete an Application for Reciprocity. The Board approved form, “Application for Licensure by Reciprocity,” must be completed in its entirety;
  o Pay the required fee.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. §§ 73-7-7, 73-7-23

Instructors
Any person who wishes to obtain an esthetics instructor license should submit an application, pay the required fee, and meet the following requirements:

- Is not less than 21 years of age;
- Can read, write and speak English;
- Has a high school education or its equivalent;
- Has successfully completed 600 hours of instructor training in an accredited school in which the practice of esthetics is taught;
- Has successfully completed 12 semester hours in college courses approved by the board;
- Holds a current, valid Mississippi esthetician's license;
- Has had two years of active practical experience as an esthetician or, as an alternative to such experience, has successfully completed 1,000 hours of instructor training in an accredited school in which the practice of esthetics is taught.
Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements
Any individual who wishes to obtain a manicurist license should make application to the board, pay the required fee, and meet the following requirements:

- Is at least 17 years of age;
- Can read, write and speak English;
- Has successfully completed no less than 350 hours of practice and related theory in manicuring and pedicuring over a period of no less than 9 weeks in an accredited school of cosmetology in this or any other state;
- Has a high school education or its equivalent.

Exam Requirements
To be eligible to take the examination for manicurists, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Be at least 17 years of age;
- Be able to read, write and speak English;
- Have at least a 12th grade education or its equivalent;
- Must have successfully completed course of training for which application for licensure is being made.

An application for examination must be submitted on a form prescribed by the Board and accompanied by the following:

- Two recent passport photographs of the applicant, taken within 90 days prior to application.

Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements for manicurists. However, a master manicurist must complete 8 hours biennially of continuing education. In order to become a master manicurist must meet these requirements:

- He/she has been licensed as a cosmetologist, manicurist or esthetician in this state for at least 12 months;
- Proof of having acquired 8 hours of continuing education approved by the Board prior to the date of application, is on record with the Board.

Apprenticeship Programs
There are no apprenticeship programs in MS.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
In order to be eligible to receive a license through reciprocity, an individual must hold a current license from another state with whom Mississippi has a reciprocal agreement. An individual must them complete the application process which consists of the following:

- Complete an Application for Reciprocity, which must be completed in its entirety and submitted to the Board;
- Appear for an Application Eligibility Interview;
- If the applicant is deemed to meet all reciprocity eligibility requirements, he or she is required to:
  - Complete an Application for Reciprocity. The Board approved form, “Application for Licensure by Reciprocity,” must be completed in its entirety;
  - Pay the required fee.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. §§ 73-7-7, 73-7-23

Instructors
If a person wishes to obtain a manicurist instructors license then they must apply to the board, pay the fee, and meet these requirements:

- Is not less than 21 years of age;
- Can read, write and speak English;
- Has a high school education or its equivalent;
- Has successfully completed 600 hours of instructor training in an accredited school in which the practice of manicuring is taught;
- Has successfully completed 12 semester hours in college courses approved by the board;
- Holds a current, valid Mississippi manicurist’s license;
- Has had two years of active practical experience as a manicurist or, as an alternative to such experience, has successfully completed 1,000 hours of instructor training in an accredited school in which the practice of manicuring is taught.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-7-15

Make-up Artists
See esthetics section.

Mobile Cosmetology Services
Mobile cosmetology services are not allowed in MS.

Authority: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-7-7
High School Cosmetology Programs
Mississippi offers high school cosmetology programs through career and technical education programs. Students can take classes from 7th to 12th grade. Students will still need to take classes after high school graduation.

Authority: [MS Department of Education – Cosmetology Career Pathway](#)

Additional Professions Licensed
- Tattoo Artist
- Body Piercing
- Hair Braiding
Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Montana Code Annotated and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall possess a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: § 37-31-304, MCA. Qualifications of applicants for license to practice

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 2,000 hours of education; or
- After October 1st, 2017 applicant has completed 1,500 hours of education;
- Applicant must pass both a written and practical exam through NIC;
- Applicant shall obtain a score of at least 75% or higher on both exams;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.611 Examination Requirements and Process

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for cosmetologists. However, instructors must complete 30 hours of continuing education during a renewal period in Montana. Licenses expire every two years between Jan 2nd - March 1st.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.2101 Continuing Education - Instructors

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Montana. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: § 37-31-304, MCA. Qualifications of applicants for license to practice
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Montana, based on holding a current valid license in another state jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Must be 18;
- Must provide proof of passage of both the written and practical NIC exams with a 75% or higher;
- Must possess a license type in good standing;
- Must have completed a course of training of at least 1,500 hours in a school; or
- Must attest to 1,500 hours of work experience as a licensed cosmetologist;

Otherwise, you will be required to take both the written and practical NIC examinations.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.603 Licensure by Credentialing with an Out-of-State License

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant must be a graduate of high school or equivalent;
- Applicant must have a license to practice cosmetology;
- Applicant must have been practicing for 12 continuous months;
- Applicant must complete 650 hours of teacher training; or
- Applicant must have 3 years of experience within their field;
- Applicant must pass the teaching examination.

Authority: § 37-31-305, MCA. Qualifications of applicants for license to teach

Hairstylists

Hairstylists are licensed under Cosmetology and Barbering.

Authority: § 37-31-101, MCA. Definitions

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Montana Code Annotated and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall possess a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the examinations;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: § 37-31-304, MCA. Qualifications of applicants for license to practice

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall complete 1,500 hours of education; or
• After October 1st, 2017 applicant has completed 1,100 hours of education;
• Applicant must pass both a written and practical exam through NIC;
• Applicant shall obtain a score of at least 75% or higher on both exams;
• Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.611 Examination Requirements and Process

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for barbers. However, instructors must complete 30 hours of continuing education before renewal of license in Montana. Licenses expire every two years between Jan 2nd - March 1st.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.2101 Continuing Education - Instructors

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Montana. An Applicant's education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: § 37-31-304, MCA. Qualifications of applicants for license to practice

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Montana, based on holding a current valid license in another state jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Application to the Board. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:
• Must be 18;
• Must provide proof of passage of both the written and practical NIC exams with a 75% or higher;
• Must possess a license type in good standing;
• Must have completed a course of training of at least 1,100 hours in a school; or
• Must attest to 1,250 hours of work experience as a licensed barber;

Otherwise, you will be required to take both the written and practical NIC examinations.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.603 Licensure by Credentialing with an Out-of-State License
**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be a graduate of high school or equivalent;
- Applicant must have a license to practice barbering;
- Applicant must have been practicing for 12 continuous months;
- Applicant must complete 650 hours of teacher training; or
- Applicant must have 3 years of experience within their field;
- Applicant must pass the teaching examination.

*Authority:* § 37-31-305, MCA. Qualifications of applicants for license to teach

**Estheticians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the Montana Code Annotated and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall possess a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority:* § 37-31-304, MCA. Qualifications of applicants for license to practice

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 650 hours of education;
- Applicant must pass both a written and practical exam through NIC;
- Applicant shall obtain a score of at least 75% or higher on both exams;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

*Authority:* Admin. R.M. 24.121.611 Examination Requirements and Process

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements for estheticians. However, instructors must complete 30 hours of continuing education before they renew their license. Licenses expire every two years between Jan 2nd - March 1st.

*Authority:* Admin. R.M. 24.121.2101 Continuing Education - Instructors
**Apprenticeship Programs**

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Montana. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

*Authority: § 37-31-304, MCA, Qualifications of applicants for license to practice*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

To obtain a license in Montana, based on holding a current valid license in another state jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Application to the Board. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Must be 18;
- Must provide proof of passage of both the written and practical NIC exams with a 75% or higher;
- Must possess a license type in good standing;
- Must have completed a course of training of at least 400 hours in a school; or
- Must attest to 750 hours of work experience as a licensed esthetician;

Otherwise, you will be required to take both the written and practical NIC examinations.

*Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.603 Licensure by Credentialing with an Out-of-State License*

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant must be a graduate of high school or equivalent;
- Applicant must have a license to practice esthetics;
- Applicant must have been practicing for 12 continuous months;
- Applicant must complete 650 hours of teacher training; or
- Applicant must have 3 years of experience within their field;
- Applicant must pass the teaching examination.

*Authority: § 37-31-305, MCA, Qualifications of applicants for license to teach*

**Manicurist**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring shall obtain a license in compliance with the Montana Code Annotated and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall possess a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the examinations;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: § 37-31-304, MCA. Qualifications of applicants for license to practice

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall complete 400 hours of education;
• Applicant must pass both a written and practical exam through NIC;
• Applicant shall obtain a score of at least 75% or higher on both exams;
• Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.611 Examination Requirements and Process

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for manicurists. However, instructors must complete 30 hours of continuing education during a renewal period in Montana. Licenses expire every two years between Jan 2nd - March 1st.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.2101 Continuing Education - Instructors

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in Montana. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: § 37-31-304, MCA. Qualifications of applicants for license to practice

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Montana, based on holding a current valid license in another state jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must submit an Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

Requirements for Eligibility:
• Must be 18;
• Must provide proof of passage of both the written and practical NIC exams with a 75% or higher;
• Must possess a license type in good standing;
• Must have completed a course of training of at least 200 hours in a school; or
• Must attest to 750 hours of work experience as a licensed manicurist;

Otherwise, you will be required to take both the written and practical NIC examinations.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.603 Licensure by Credentialing with an Out-of-State License
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be a graduate of high school or equivalent;
- Applicant must have a license to practice manicuring;
- Applicant must have been practicing for 12 continuous months;
- Applicant must complete 650 hours of teacher training; or
- Applicant must have 3 years of experience within their field;
- Applicant must pass the teaching examination.

Authority: § 37-31-305, MCA. Qualifications of applicants for license to teach

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Esthetics and Cosmetology in Montana.

Authority: § 37-31-101, MCA. Definitions

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Salons are not licensed in Montana.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.1301 Salons/Booth Rental

High School Cosmetology Programs

There are no specific rules governing high school cosmetology programs in Montana. Students who have not graduated high school may attend Montana Cosmetology programs. These students are required to complete the same number of required hours as any student and may not take the licensing examination until they have graduated high school.

Authority: Admin. R.M. 24.121.806 Postsecondary Education Status

Additional Professions Licensed

- Barbering Nonchemical
- Electrology
- Massage Therapy

Tattooing and Body piercing are not regulated in Montana. However, licenses are required for establishments wishing to perform these practices.
NEBRASKA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology, shall obtain a license in compliance with the Board of Cosmetology of the state of Nebraska and shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant has attained the age of 17 years of age or older;
- The applicant has completed a high school education or equivalent;
- The applicant has graduated from a school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant has completed an apprenticeship;
- Applicant must take and pass the examinations;
- Applicant must apply with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-1062. Licensure by examination; requirements

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete a program of study not less than 2,100 hours or 2,000 credits;
- Applicant shall take both a written and practical examination;
  - Practical examinations may be offered as written or hands-on;
- In order to successfully complete the examination, an applicant shall obtain an average grade of 75% on all examinations;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: Examination Information

Continuing Education Requirements

Nebraska requires 8 hours of Continuing Education in order to renew one's license. 4 of the hours must be Board approved, be related to Cosmetology, and cannot be home study courses. The other four hours do not need to be Board approved, and can be home study courses. Licenses must be renewed by December 31st of every even numbered year.

Authority: Renewal Requirements and Continuing Education

Apprenticeship Programs

A cosmetology apprenticeship must take place in a licensed apprentice shop and consist of 2,100 hours and 2,000 credits.

In order to be licensed as an apprentice salon by the department, an applicant shall meet and present to the department evidence of meeting the following requirements:

- The proposed apprentice salon shall hold a current active license as a cosmetology salon or esthetics salon;
- The proposed apprentice salon shall employ or plan to employ one active instructor for each two apprentices or fraction thereof it enrolls; and
- The proposed apprentice salon shall provide an area of not less than one hundred square feet to be used solely for educational purposes.

**Authority:** [Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-10,113. Apprentice salon; license; requirements](https://www.legis.ne.gov/Statutes/Statute.cfm?ID=5358)

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to obtain a license in Nebraska based on licensure in another jurisdiction, an applicant must have obtained their licenses through substantially equivalent means. Applicant must have completed the same number of hours required by the Nebraska statutes and passed similar exams. Otherwise hours will need to be completed and the exams taken for licensure. However, each month of full-time practice within the five years immediately preceding application shall be valued as one hundred hour-equivalents toward a license.

**Authority:** [Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-1066. Reciprocity; requirements](https://www.legis.ne.gov/Statutes/Statute.cfm?ID=5338)

### Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must currently be licensed as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant must have completed a high school education or equivalent;
- Graduated from an Instructor program in a school of cosmetology of 925 hours.

**Authority:** [Applications, Fees and Requirements](https://www.legis.ne.gov/Statutes/Statute.cfm?ID=2867)

### Stylists

Stylists are licensed under Cosmetology and Barbering.


### Barbers

#### Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering, shall obtain a license in compliance with the Board of Barbers of the state of Nebraska and shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- The applicant must have your high school diploma or GED;
- The applicant must complete the required training in a licensed school;
- Applicant must take and pass an examination;
- Applicant must apply with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:** [Requirements for Registration as a Licensed Barber in Nebraska](https://www.legis.ne.gov/Statutes/Statute.cfm?ID=10037)
Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete a program of study of 2,100 hours;
- Applicant shall take an examination;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: Neb. Rev. Stat. § 71-209

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. All barber licenses in Nebraska are renewed on a two-year cycle, ending on June 30 of each even-numbered year.

Authority: Neb. Rev. Stat. § 71-201

Apprenticeship Programs

There is no apprenticeship option for Barbers. Education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: Requirements for Registration as a Licensed Barber in Nebraska

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The Board may issue a license to practice barbering without examination to a person licensed in a state, territory, or country with which the board has entered into a reciprocal agreement.

An applicant for licensure without examination under this section shall file with the Board:

- An application on a form provided by the Board,
- A copy of the license issued by the state, territory, or country in which the applicant is licensed,
- The applicant’s social security number,
- Documents demonstrating that the requirements for licensure in such state, territory, or country are substantially equivalent to the requirements for licensure under the Barber Act, and,
- The fee required.

Authority: Neb. Rev. Stat. § 71-242

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- He or she has completed at least eighteen hours of college credit at or above the postsecondary level;
  - These hours must include at least three credit hours each in methods of teaching, curriculum development, special vocational needs, educational psychology, speech communications, and introduction to business;
• He or she has been a licensed and actively practicing barber for the one year immediately preceding application;
• He or she has served as a registered assistant barber instructor under the supervision of an active, full-time, registered barber instructor;
• He or she has passed an examination prescribed by the board;
• He or she has paid the required fees.

Authority: Neb. Rev. Stat. § 71-208.02

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics, shall obtain a license in compliance with the Board of Cosmetology of the state of Nebraska and shall meet the following qualifications:

• The applicant has attained the age of 17 years of age or older;
• The applicant has completed a high school education or equivalent;
• The applicant has graduated from a school of esthetics; or
• Applicant has completed an apprenticeship;
• Applicant must take and pass the examinations;
• Applicant must apply with the required documents;
• Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-1062. Licensure by examination; requirements

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant shall complete a program of study not less than 600 hours or 600 credits;
• Applicant shall take both a written and practical examination;
  • Practical examinations may be offered as written or hands-on;
• In order to successfully complete the examination, an applicant shall obtain an average grade of 75% on all examinations;
• Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: Examination Information

Continuing Education Requirements

Nebraska requires 8 hours of Continuing Education in order to renew one's license. 4 of the hours must be Board approved, be related to Esthetics, and cannot be home study courses. The other four hours do not need to be Board approved, and can be home study courses. Licenses must be renewed by December 31st of every even numbered year.

Authority: Renewal Requirements and Continuing Education
Apprenticeship Programs

An esthetics apprenticeship must take place in a licensed apprentice shop and consist of 600 hours and 600 credits.

In order to be licensed as an apprentice salon by the department, an applicant shall meet and present to the department evidence of meeting the following requirements:

- The proposed apprentice salon shall hold a current active license as a cosmetology salon or esthetics salon;
- The proposed apprentice salon shall employ or plan to employ one active instructor for each two apprentices or fraction thereof it enrolls; and
- The proposed apprentice salon shall provide an area of not less than one hundred square feet to be used solely for educational purposes.

Authority: Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-10,113. Apprentice salon; license; requirements

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to obtain a license in Nebraska based on licensure in another jurisdiction, an applicant must have obtained their licenses through substantially equivalent means. Applicant must have completed the same number of hours required by the Nebraska statutes and passed similar exams. Otherwise hours will need to be completed and the exams taken for licensure. However, each month of full-time practice within the five years immediately preceding application shall be valued as one hundred hour-equivalents toward a license.

Authority: Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-1066. Reciprocity; requirements

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must currently be licensed as an esthetician;
- Applicant must have completed a high school education or equivalent;
- Graduated from an Instructor program in a school of esthetics of 925 hours.

Authority: Applications, Fees and Requirements

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Board of Nail Technology of the state of Nebraska and shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant has attained the age of 17 years of age or older;
- The applicant has completed a high school education or equivalent;
- The applicant has graduated from a school of esthetics;
- Applicant must take and pass the examination;
- Applicant must apply with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees.
Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete a program of study not less than 300 hours;
  - Applicant must complete at least 16 hours of instruction on operating the nail drill;
- Applicant shall take a written examination through NIC;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

Continuing Education Requirements

Nebraska requires 8 hours of continuing education in order to renew one’s license. 4 of the hours must be Board approved, be related to Nail Technology, and cannot be home study courses. The other four hours do not need to be Board approved, and can be home study courses. Licenses must be renewed by December 21st of every odd numbered year.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to obtain a license in Nebraska based on licensure in another jurisdiction, an applicant must have obtained their licenses through substantially equivalent means. Applicant must have completed the same number of hours required by the Nebraska statutes and passed similar exams. Or applicants must have 1 year of experience and be currently licensed in good standing. Otherwise hours will need to be completed and the exams taken for licensure.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technician instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must currently be licensed as a nail technician;
- Applicant must have completed a high school education or equivalent;
- Graduated from an Instructor program of 300 hours;
- Applicant must pass a written examination through NIC.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technician instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must currently be licensed as a nail technician;
- Applicant must have completed a high school education or equivalent;
- Graduated from an Instructor program of 300 hours;
- Applicant must pass a written examination through NIC.
**Makeup Artists**

Makeup Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics. To sell beauty and makeup products a person must be licensed as a Cosmetician.

*Authority:* [Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-1016. Cosmetology, defined](https://legis.ne.gov/Laws/108/A/02/38-1016.00/)

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile Cosmetology services are not licensed in Nebraska.

*Authority:* [Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-1018. Cosmetology salon, defined](https://legis.ne.gov/Laws/108/A/02/38-1018.00/)

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

Cosmetology schools in Nebraska do not offer programs to high school students. A person must be 17 years of age and a high school graduate in order to enroll in a school of cosmetology.

*Authority:* [Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-1062. Licensure by examination; requirements](https://legis.ne.gov/Laws/108/A/02/38-1062.00/)

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Body Art (tattoo, branding, piercing)
- Cosmetician
- Electrology
- Massage Therapy
NEW HAMPSHIRE

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements
In order to be issued a cosmetology license by the board, a person shall:

- Be of good professional character.
- Have completed high school or its equivalent.
- Has completed the required hours.
- Pass an examination conducted by the board.
- Pay a fee established by the board.


Exam Requirements
The board shall hold examinations at least once every 6 months. The scope and content of the examinations shall be established by the board. The board shall notify all applicants at least 10 days in advance as to the place, date, and time of examinations. Applicants must complete a minimum of 1,500 hours of cosmetology instruction at a licensed school. Minimum of 3,000 hours distributed over at least 18 months.

Applicants shall make written application to the secretary of the board on a form prescribed and supplied by the board which shall contain satisfactory evidence of the qualifications required of the applicant; and the applicant shall also pay the examination fee.


Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements for cosmetologists. Cosmetology instructors must complete 28 hours of continuing education every renewal period.

Authority: New Hampshire Cosmetology Board

Apprenticeship Programs
If an individual wishes to become a cosmetology apprentice, then they must meet the following requirements:

- Submitting proof sufficient to the board to show that such person is at least 16 years of age.
- Paying a fee established by the board.
- Being deemed by the board to be of good professional character.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
The board shall license any applicant who is similarly licensed in any other state, provided the other state's licensing requirements are substantially equivalent to or higher than those of this state.


Instructors
Any person who wants to apply for an instructors shall:

- Be currently licensed as a cosmetologist.
- Have completed the following:
  - At least 800 hours of instructor training in a school for master barbering or cosmetology.
  - At least 12 months of actual employment in a shop and have completed 500 hours of instructor training in a school for master barbering or cosmetology.
  - At least 8 years of actual employment in a shop.

An applicant will also submit the following:

- A copy of the applicant's current cosmetology license.
- Proof of 8 years’ work experience or 12 months’ work experience in a shop licensed.
- A copy of the hours as a student instructor.

In addition, applicants must also pass a written and practical examination to obtain a school instructor’s license.


Hair Stylists

Hair Stylists are licensed under master barbers. In order to obtain a master barber license a person shall:

- Be of good professional character.
- Have completed high school or its equivalent.
- Have received training of:
  - A minimum of 1,500 hours of training in a school of master barbering approved by the board.
  - A minimum of 3,000 hours distributed over a period of at least 18 months under a licensed barber who has engaged in the practice of barbering within the state for at least 2 years.
- Pass an examination conducted by the board.
- Pay a fee established by the board.

Barbers

Licensing Requirements
In order to be issued a barber license by the board, an applicant shall meet the following requirements:

- Be of good professional character.
- Have completed high school or its equivalent.
- Has completed the required hours.
- Pass an examination conducted by the board.
- Pay a fee established by the board.


Exam Requirements
The board shall hold examinations in barbering at least once every 6 months. The scope and content of the examinations shall be established by the board. The board shall notify all applicants at least 10 days in advance as to the place, date, and time of examinations.

Must have completed 800 hours of training in a licensed school. Minimum of 1,600 hours over 12 months under a licensed barber.

Applicants shall make written application to the secretary of the board on a form prescribed and supplied by the board which shall contain satisfactory evidence of the qualifications required of the applicant; and the applicant shall also pay the examination fee.


Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements for barbers. Barbering instructors must complete 28 hours of continuing education every renewal period.

Authority: New Hampshire Barbering Board

Apprenticeship Programs
If an individual wishes to become a barbering apprentice, then they must meet the following requirements:

- Submitting proof sufficient to the board to show that such person is at least 16 years of age.
- Paying a fee established by the board.
- Being deemed by the board to be of good professional character.

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

The board shall license any applicant who is similarly licensed in any other state, provided the other state's licensing requirements are substantially equivalent to or higher than those of this state.


**Instructors**

Any person who wants to apply for an instructors shall:

- Be currently licensed as a barber.
- Have completed the following:
  - At least 700 hours of instructor training in a school for barbering.
  - At least 12 months of actual employment in a shop and have completed 400 hours of instructor training in a school for barbering.
  - At least 8 years of actual employment in a shop.

An applicant will also submit the following:

- A copy of the applicant's current barber license.
- Proof of 8 years’ work experience or 12 months’ work experience in a shop licensed.
- A copy of the hours as a student instructor.

In addition, applicants must also pass a written and practical examination to obtain a school instructor's license.

*Authority:* [NH Bar 301.08](#)

**Esthetician**

**Licensing Requirements**

To be issued an esthetics license by the board an applicant must complete the following requirements:

- Be of good professional character.
- Have completed high school or its equivalent.
- Pay a fee established by the board.
- Completed required hours of training in a school approved by the board and have passed an examination conducted by the board.


**Exam Requirements**

The board shall hold examinations in esthetics at least once every 6 months. The scope and content of the examinations shall be established by the board. The board shall notify all applicants at least 10 days in advance as to the place, date, and time of examinations. Completed at least 600 hours of training at a licensed school.
Applicants shall make written application to the secretary of the board on a form prescribed and supplied by the board which shall contain satisfactory evidence of the qualifications required of the applicant; and the applicant shall also pay the examination fee.


Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements for estheticians. Esthetics instructors must complete 28 hours of continuing education every renewal period.

Authority: New Hampshire Cosmetology and Barbering Board

Apprenticeship Programs
If an individual wishes to become an esthetics apprentice, then they must meet the following requirements:

- Submitting proof sufficient to the board to show that such person is at least 16 years of age.
- Paying a fee established by the board.
- Being deemed by the board to be of good professional character.


License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
The board shall license any applicant who is similarly licensed in any other state, provided the other state's licensing requirements are substantially equivalent to or higher than those of this state.


Instructors
Any person who wants to apply for an instructors shall:

- Be currently licensed as an esthetician.
- Have completed the following:
  - At least 700 hours of instructor training in a school for barbering or esthetics.
  - At least 12 months of actual employment in a shop and have completed 400 hours of instructor training in a school for barbering or esthetics.
  - At least 8 years of actual employment in a shop.

An applicant will also submit the following:

- A copy of the applicant's current esthetics license.
- Proof of 8 years' work experience or 12 months' work experience in a shop licensed.
- A copy of the hours as a student instructor.

In addition, applicants must also pass a written and practical examination to obtain a school instructor's license.
Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements
A person who wishes to obtain a manicurist’s license must meet the following requirements:
  • Be of good professional character.
  • Have completed high school or its equivalent
  • Pay a fee established by the board.
  • Has completed the required hours of professional training in manicuring, in a school approved by the board and passed an examination conducted by the board.

Exam Requirements
The board shall hold examinations on manicuring at least once every 6 months. The scope and content of the examinations shall be established by the board. The board shall notify all applicants at least 10 days in advance as to the place, date, and time of examinations. Applicants must have completed 300 hours of professional training at a licensed school.

Applicants shall make written application to the secretary of the board on a form prescribed and supplied by the board which shall contain satisfactory evidence of the qualifications required of the applicant; and the applicant shall also pay the examination fee.

Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements for manicurists. Manicurist instructors must complete 28 hours of continuing education every renewal period.

Apprenticeship Programs
If an individual wishes to become a manicurist apprentice, then they must meet the following requirements:
  • Submitting proof sufficient to the board to show that such person is at least 16 years of age.
  • Paying a fee established by the board.
  • Being deemed by the board to be of good professional character.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
The board shall license any applicant who is similarly licensed in any other state, provided the other state's licensing requirements are substantially equivalent to or higher than those of this state.


Instructors
Any person who wants to apply for an instructors shall:
- Be currently licensed as a manicurist.
- Have completed the following:
  - At least 550 hours of instructor training in a school of manicuring.
  - At least 12 months of actual employment in a shop and have completed 250 hours of instructor training in a school of manicuring.
  - At least 8 years of actual employment in a shop.

An applicant will also submit the following:
- A copy of the applicant's current manicure license.
- Proof of 8 years’ work experience or 12 months’ work experience in a shop licensed.
- A copy of the hours as a student instructor.

In addition, applicants must also pass a written and practical examination to obtain a school instructor's license.

Authority: NH Bar 301.08

Make-up Artists
See cosmetology section.


Mobile Cosmetology Services
Mobile Cosmetology and barbering services are allowed in New Hampshire.


High School Cosmetology Programs
New Hampshire offers high school cosmetology programs through career and technical schools. Program classes are offered from 9th to 12th grade.

Authority: New Hampshire Human Services – NH Career and Technical
Additional Professions Licensed

- Body Piercing
- Tattoo
- Electrologists
- Massage Therapists
NEW JERSEY

Cosmetologist-Hairstylist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology and hairstyling shall obtain a license in compliance with the New Jersey Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years old;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall not have a communicable, contagious, or infectious disease;
- Applicant shall have successfully completed high school or the equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the examinations administered by the Board;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-16 Application for licensure

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall submit the following:

- Applicant shall successfully complete 1,200 hours of instruction at an approved school in New Jersey;
- Applicant shall take a written and practical examination;
- Applicants may take a computer-based test in lieu of the written theory portion of the examination;
- Applicant shall score a 75 percent or greater on the theory portion of the exam, in order to be eligible for the practical examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: N.J.A.C. 13:28-1.2 Examination and Reexamination

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in New Jersey. Licenses expire every two years on even numbered years.

Authority: N.J.A.C. 13:28-1.1, (h, i) License Renewals

Apprenticeship Programs

New Jersey does not accept training obtained outside of licensed schools.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-10 Licensure for schools required
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in New Jersey, based on holding a current valid license in another state or country, the license must have been obtained through substantially similar education criteria as New Jersey. Or, the Applicant will need to present satisfactory evidence of prior practical experience of three years working in a licensed shop.

Otherwise the Applicant will need to complete some hours of training specified by the Board and take the examinations in order to receive a license.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-28 Licensees from other state, country; eligibility for licensure

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Be at least 18 years of age;
- Be of good moral character;
- Does not have any communicable, contagious, or infectious diseases;
- Provide proof of the successful completion of high school or its equivalent;
- Hold a cosmetologist-hairstylist license issued by the Board;
- Provide proof of the successful completion of a teacher training course of 500 hours at an approved school in New Jersey or in a location with substantially similar education as the schools within New Jersey;
- Provide proof of successful completion of a 30-hour teaching methods course conducted by a college approved by the State Board of Higher Education or a substantially equivalent alternative;
- Have completed at least 6 months of employment in a licensed shop within New Jersey;
- Take and pass an examination administered by the Board;
- Pay any required fees.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-23 Licensure as teacher of cosmetology and hairstyling

Hairstylists

Hairstylists are licensed under the combined Cosmetology and Hairstyling license.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-3 Definitions

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the New Jersey Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years old;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall not have a communicable, contagious, or infectious disease;
- Applicant shall have successfully completed high school or the equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the examinations administered by the Board;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

*Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-16 Application for licensure*

**Examination Requirements**

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall submit the following:
- Applicant shall successfully complete 900 hours of instruction at an approved school in New Jersey;
- Applicant shall take a written and practical examination;
- Applicants may take a computer-based test in lieu of the written theory portion of the examination;
- Applicant shall score a 75 percent or greater on the theory portion of the exam, in order to be eligible for the practical examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

*Authority: N.J.A.C. 13:28-1.2 Examination and Reexamination*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements in New Jersey. Licenses expire every two years on even numbered years.

*Authority: N.J.A.C. 13:28-1.1, (h, i) License Renewals*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

New Jersey does not accept training obtained outside of licensed schools.

*Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-10 Licensure for schools required*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

To obtain a license in New Jersey, based on holding a current valid license in another state or country, the license must have been obtained through substantially similar education criteria as New Jersey. Or, the Applicant will need to present satisfactory evidence of prior practical experience of three years working in a licensed shop.

Otherwise the Applicant will need to complete some hours of training specified by the Board and take the examinations in order to receive a license.

*Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-28 Licensees from other state, country; eligibility for licensure*
Instructors

To be licensed as an instructor in New Jersey a cosmetologist-hairstylist license is required.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-23 Licensure as teacher of cosmetology and hairstyling

Beauticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in beauty culture shall obtain a license in compliance with the New Jersey Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years old;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall not have a communicable, contagious, or infectious disease;
- Applicant shall have successfully completed high school or the equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the examinations administered by the Board;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-16 Application for licensure

Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall submit the following:

- Applicant shall successfully complete 1,100 hours of instruction at an approved school in New Jersey;
- Applicant shall take a written and practical examination;
- Applicants may take a computer-based test in lieu of the written theory portion of the examination;
- Applicant shall score a 75 percent or greater on the theory portion of the exam, in order to be eligible for the practical examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: N.J.A.C. 13:28-1.2 Examination and Reexamination

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements in New Jersey. Licenses expire every two years on even numbered years.

Authority: N.J.A.C. 13:28-1.1, (h, i) License Renewals
Apprenticeship Programs

New Jersey does not accept training obtained outside of licensed schools.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-10 Licensure for schools required

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in New Jersey, based on holding a current valid license in another state or country, the license must have been obtained through substantially similar education criteria as New Jersey. Or, the Applicant will need to present satisfactory evidence of prior practical experience of three years working in a licensed shop.

Otherwise the Applicant will need to complete some hours of training specified by the Board and take the examinations in order to receive a license.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-28 Licensees from other state, country; eligibility for licensure

Instructors

To be licensed as an instructor in New Jersey a cosmetologist-hairstylist license is required.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-23 Licensure as teacher of cosmetology and hairstyling

Manicurist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring shall obtain a license in compliance with the New Jersey Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 17 years old;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall not have a communicable, contagious, or infectious disease;
- Applicant shall have successfully completed high school or the equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the examinations administered by the Board;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-16 Application for licensure

Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall submit the following:

- Applicant shall successfully complete 300 hours of instruction at an approved school in New Jersey;
- Applicant shall take a written and practical examination;
- Applicants may take a computer-based test in lieu of the written theory portion of the examination;
- Applicant shall score a 75 percent or greater on the theory portion of the exam, in order to be eligible for the practical examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees.

*Authority: N.J.A.C. 13:28-1.2 Examination and Reexamination*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements in New Jersey. Licenses expire every two years on even numbered years.

*Authority: N.J.A.C. 13:28-1.1, (h, i) License Renewals*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

New Jersey does not accept training obtained outside of licensed schools.

*Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-10 Licensure for schools required*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

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Otherwise the Applicant will need to complete some hours of training specified by the Board and take the examinations in order to receive a license.

*Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-28 Licensees from other state, country; eligibility for licensure*

**Instructors**

To be licensed as an instructor in New Jersey a cosmetologist-hairstylist license is required.

*Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-23 Licensure as teacher of cosmetology and hairstyling*

**Make-up Artists**

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Beauty Culture.

*Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-3 Definitions*
**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile Salons are not permitted in New Jersey. Cosmetology may only be practiced in fixed licensed shops.

*Authority: N.J.A.C. 13:28-1A.1 Definitions*

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

Programs are offered on the high school level. Hours towards licensure may be obtained in a program in a public school approved by the State Board of Education to offer vocational programs in cosmetology. The student is required to complete the same number of hours of instruction within a Cosmetology program as any other student.

*Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5B-16 Application for licensure*

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Body Piercing
- Electrology
- Massage and Bodywork Therapy
- Permanent Cosmetics
- Skin Care Specialty
- Tattooing
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**Cosmetologists**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with The New Mexico Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant is at least seventeen years of age;
- Applicant has an education equivalent to the completion of the second year of high school;
- Applicant has completed a course in cosmetology at a school approved by the board;
- Applicant shall pass an examination approved by the board;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

The name of a licensed cosmetologist may be immediately followed by the initials "R.C.", as a right and privilege of licensure.

*Authority:* [16.34.5.8 NMAC General Licensure Requirements](#)

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 1,600 hours of education at a licensed school;
- Applicant must pass the examination which consists of three parts:
  - A practical section;
  - A theory written section;
  - A State law section;
- Applicant must score at least a 75 on each section;
- Upon passing, Applicant must pay the required fees.

*Authority:* [16.34.3.8 NMAC Notice of Examination](#)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements for cosmetology license holders. However, instructors are expected to complete 12 hours of continuing education. Licenses expire annually on the licensee’s birthday.

*Authority:* [16.34.9.8 NMAC Continuing Education Requirements](#)

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Cosmetology education must be received in a licensed school.

*Authority:* [16.34.5.8 NMAC General Licensure Requirements](#)
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in New Mexico based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must have obtained the license through substantially equivalent means. Otherwise, 6 full months of work experience will equal one-hundred-fifty hours of training. To obtain any license by reciprocity, no more than fifty percent of the hours required for licensure by in-state applicants may be obtained by work experience.

Other requirements:
- Applicants who are foreign trained must submit to the applicable examination;
- Applicants who hold incomplete hours may obtain no more than 100 hours of training in any state;
- Prior to licensure the applicant shall take and pass a board approved jurisprudence examination and must score a 75% or higher.

An applicant who cannot obtain a license through reciprocity with the previous training and work experience will be required obtain the additional hours needed and submit to the New Mexico licensing examination applicable to the license they are seeking.

Authority: 16.34.6.8 NMAC Reciprocity

Instructors

An instructor license shall be issued to any person who files a completed application, accompanied by the required fees and documentation, and who:
- Is a licensed cosmetologist for two years;
- Has completed and instructor program of 1,000 hours at a licensed school;
- Has passed an examination approved by the board.

The name of a licensed instructor may be immediately followed by the initials "R.I.", as a right and privilege of licensure.

Authority: 16.34.4.13 NMAC Qualified Instructors

Stylists

Stylists are licensed under Cosmetology and Barbering.

Authority: 16.34.1.7 NMAC Definitions

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with The New Mexico Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant is at least seventeen years of age;
- Applicant has an education equivalent to the completion of the second year of high school;
• Applicant has completed a course in barbering at a school approved by the board; or
• Applicant has completed a barbering apprenticeship;
• Applicant shall pass an examination approved by the board;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

The name of a licensed Barber may be immediately followed by the initials "R.B.", as a right and privilege of licensure.

Authority: 16.34.5.8 NMAC General Licensure Requirements

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall complete 1,200 hours of education at a licensed school;
• Applicant shall complete an apprenticeship;
• Applicant must pass the examination which consists of three parts;
  o A practical section;
  o A theory written section;
  o A State law section;
• Applicant must score at least a 75 on each section;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: 16.34.3.8 NMAC Notice of Examination

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for barbering license holders. However, instructors are expected to complete 12 hours of continuing education. Licenses expire annually on the licensee’s birthday.

Authority: 16.34.9.8 NMAC Continuing Education Requirements

Apprenticeship Programs

Barbers may obtain their education through apprenticeships in the state of New Mexico. Applicants must be registered as barber apprentices and then must complete 1,200 hours of study. A barber apprentice may not be licensed for longer than 36 months and must work under a licensed instructor in a licensed shop.

Authority: 16.34.4.9 NMAC Special Licenses

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in New Mexico based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must have obtained the license through substantially equivalent means. Otherwise, 6 full months of work experience will equal one-hundred-fifty hours of training. To obtain any license by reciprocity, no more than fifty percent of the hours required for licensure by in-state applicants may be obtained by work experience.
Other requirements:
- Applicants who are foreign trained must submit to the applicable examination;
- Applicants who hold incomplete hours may obtain no more than 100 hours of training in any state;
- Prior to licensure the applicant shall take and pass a board approved jurisprudence examination and must score a 75% or higher.

An applicant who cannot obtain a license through reciprocity with the previous training and work experience will be required obtain the additional hours needed and submit to the New Mexico licensing examination applicable to the license they are seeking.

**Authority:** [16.34.6.8 NMAC Reciprocity](#)

### Instructors

An instructor license shall be issued to any person who files a completed application, accompanied by the required fees and documentation, and who:
- Is a licensed barber for two years;
- Has completed and instructor program of 1,000 hours at a licensed school;
- Has passed an examination approved by the board.

The name of a licensed instructor may be immediately followed by the initials "R.I.", as a right and privilege of licensure.

**Authority:** [16.34.4.13 NMAC Qualified Instructors](#)

### Estheticians

#### Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with The New Mexico Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists and shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant is at least seventeen years of age;
- Applicant has an education equivalent to the completion of the second year of high school;
- Applicant has completed a course in esthetics at a school approved by the board;
- Applicant shall pass an examination approved by the board;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

The name of a licensed Esthetician may be immediately followed by the initials "R.F.", as a right and privilege of licensure.

**Authority:** [16.34.5.8 NMAC General Licensure Requirements](#)

### Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicant shall complete 600 hours of education at a licensed school;
• Applicant must pass the examination which consists of three parts;
  o A practical section;
  o A theory written section;
  o A State law section;
• Applicant must score at least a 75 on each section;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: 16.34.3.8 NMAC Notice of Examination

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for esthetics license holders. However, instructors are expected to complete 12 hours of continuing education. Licenses expire annually on the licensee’s birthday.

Authority: 16.34.9.8 NMAC Continuing Education Requirements

Apprenticeship Programs

Esthetics education must be received in a licensed school.

Authority: 16.34.5.8 NMAC General Licensure Requirements

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in New Mexico based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must have obtained the license through substantially equivalent means. Otherwise, 6 full months of work experience will equal one-hundred-fifty hours of training. To obtain any license by reciprocity, no more than fifty percent of the hours required for licensure by in-state applicants may be obtained by work experience.

Other requirements:
• Applicants who are foreign trained must submit to the applicable examination;
• Applicants who hold incomplete hours may obtain no more than 100 hours of training in any state;
• Prior to licensure the applicant shall take and pass a board approved jurisprudence examination and must score a 75% or higher.

An applicant who cannot obtain a license through reciprocity with the previous training and work experience will be required obtain the additional hours needed and submit to the New Mexico licensing examination applicable to the license they are seeking.

Authority: 16.34.6.8 NMAC Reciprocity

Instructors

An instructor license shall be issued to any person who files a completed application, accompanied by the required fees and documentation, and who:
• Is a licensed esthetician for two years;
• Has completed and instructor program of 1,000 hours at a licensed school;
• Has passed an examination approved by the board.

The name of a licensed instructor may be immediately followed by the initials "R.I.", as a right and privilege of licensure.

Authority: 16.34.4.13 NMAC Qualified Instructors

Manicurist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring shall obtain a license in compliance with The New Mexico Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists and shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant is at least seventeen years of age;
• Applicant has an education equivalent to the completion of the second year of high school;
• Applicant has completed a course in manicuring at a school approved by the board;
• Applicant shall pass an examination approved by the board;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

The name of a licensed Manicurist may be immediately followed by the initials "R.M.", as a right and privilege of licensure.

Authority: 16.34.5.8 NMAC General Licensure Requirements

Exam Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall complete 400 hours of education at a licensed school;
• Applicant must pass the examination which consists of three parts;
  o A practical section;
  o A theory written section;
  o A State law section;
• Applicant must score at least a 75 on each section;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: 16.34.3.8 NMAC Notice of Examination

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for manicuring license holders. However, instructors are expected to complete 12 hours of continuing education. Licenses expire annually on the licensee’s birthday.

Authority: 16.34.9.8 NMAC Continuing Education Requirements
**Apprenticeship Programs**

Manicuring education must be received in a licensed school.

*Authority: 16.34.5.8 NMAC General Licensure Requirements*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

To obtain a license in New Mexico based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must have obtained the license through substantially equivalent means. Otherwise, 6 full months of work experience will equal one-hundred-fifty hours of training. To obtain any license by reciprocity, no more than fifty percent of the hours required for licensure by in-state applicants may be obtained by work experience.

Other requirements:
- Applicants who are foreign trained must submit to the applicable examination;
- Applicants who hold incomplete hours may obtain no more than 100 hours of training in any state;
- Prior to licensure the applicant shall take and pass a board approved jurisprudence examination and must score a 75% or higher.

An applicant who cannot obtain a license through reciprocity with the previous training and work experience will be required obtain the additional hours needed and submit to the New Mexico licensing examination applicable to the license they are seeking.

*Authority: 16.34.6.8 NMAC Reciprocity*

**Instructors**

An instructor license shall be issued to any person who files a completed application, accompanied by the required fees and documentation, and who:
- Is a licensed manicurist for two years;
- Has completed and instructor program of 1,000 hours at a licensed school;
- Has passed an examination approved by the board.

The name of a licensed instructor may be immediately followed by the initials "R.I.", as a right and privilege of licensure.

*Authority: 16.34.4.13 NMAC Qualified Instructors*

**Make-up Artists**

In New Mexico, Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

*Authority: 16.34.1.7 NMAC Definitions*
**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile Cosmetology Services are called outreach mobile units. They are required to comply with the following:

- Each outreach enterprise mobile unit have an available cellular phone or other communication capability necessary for immediate access or prompt response;
- Each outreach enterprise mobile unit must have signage on at least two sides for identification information in letters no smaller than five inches;
- Outreach enterprise mobile units are subject to inspection by any member of the board, its employees or agent who may enter and inspect at any time during regular business hours for the purpose of determining compliance with the Barbers and Cosmetologists Act.

*Authority: [16.34.7.8 NMAC Application and Requirements for Enterprise or Establishment License]*

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

New Mexico does offer high school programs. In order to enter one a student must meet the following:

- proof of completion of the second year of high school or its equivalent;
- proof that student is at least sixteen years of age;
- submission of a complete student registration form and required fees through the associate school licensed under this act.

Students participating in high school programs cannot earn more than 15% of the program in the high school facility.

*Authority: [16.34.8.21 NMAC Student Training-High School Programs]*

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Body Art
- Electrology
- Massage Therapy
- Permanent Makeup
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Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Nevada Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be at least 18 years old;
• Applicant shall be of good moral character;
• Applicant is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully entitled to remain and work in the United States;
• Applicant shall have successfully completed the 10th grade or its equivalent;
• Applicant shall have completed the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall pass the board required exams;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant must pay all required fees.

Authority: NRS 644.200 Cosmetologists: Qualifications for examination

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant must complete 1,600 hours of training in a school approved by the Board; or
• Applicant must have practiced cosmetology for 4 years outside of Nevada; or
• Applicant must be a Barber and receive 600 hours of specialized training; or
• Applicant has at least 3,600 hours of service as an apprentice;
• Applicant must take a written or oral exam, a practical exam, and the Nevada law exam;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: NRS 644.240 Cosmetologists: Scope of examination

Continuing Education Requirements

Nevada has continuing education requirements. In order to renew a cosmetology license 4 hours of education are required. 30 hours are required for renewing a teaching license. Licenses are renewed every 2 to 4 years. Licenses expire on the licensee’s birthday. For the case of those born on February 29th, the expiration date is February 28th.

Authority: NRS 644.325 Renewal of license or certificate of registration

Apprenticeship Programs

The Board may issue a certificate of registration as an apprentice if:

• A person is required to travel more than 60 miles to the nearest licensed school of cosmetology; and
• If the training occurs within a licensed establishment which is located 60 miles or more from the nearest cosmetology school.
The applicant must meet the requirements necessary for licensure and must also provide the Board:

- A statement signed by a licensed cosmetologist who will be supervising and training the apprentice which states that the cosmetologist has been practicing for 3 or more years and is in good standing;
- A statement signed by the owner of the licensed establishment where the applicant will be trained which states that the owner will permit the apprenticeship.

The apprenticeship certificate is valid for 24 months and may be renewed by the Board upon good cause shown.

Authority: NRS 644.217 Cosmetologist’s apprentice: Qualifications of applicant

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to be eligible for reciprocity in the State of Nevada, a license must be active and in good standing in another state. The applicant must submit an application with the requirement information to the Board. All applicants must take and pass the Nevada State Law Test.

If licensed in one of the following states, the Applicant must contact their state board and have a license certificate sent to the Nevada Board of Cosmetology:


Authority: Nevada Board of Cosmetology Reciprocity Information

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be licensed as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant shall have successfully completed the 12th grade or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall have 1 year of experience as a cosmetologist or as a licensed student instructor;
- Applicant shall have completed 1,000 hours of training as an instructor; or
- 500 hours of training as a licensed provisional instructor in a school of cosmetology;
- Applicant shall pass a theory examination and the Nevada State Law examination;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: NRS 644.195 Instructors: Qualifications for license; fee
**Hair Designers**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in hair design in Nevada shall obtain a license in compliance with the Nevada Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years old;
- Applicant shall be of good moral character;
- Applicant is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully entitled to remain and work in the United States;
- Applicant shall have successfully completed the 10th grade or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall have completed the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass the board required exams;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant must pay all required fees.

*Authority:* [NRS 644.204 Hair designers: Qualifications for examination](https://leg.state.nv.us/LAS/BillDisplay.aspx?Session=79&BillNum=644&BillType=644.204)

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 1,200 hours of training in a school approved by the Board; or
- Applicant must have practiced hair designing for 4 years outside of Nevada; or
- Applicant must be a Barber; or
- Applicant has at least 2,400 hours of service as an apprentice;
- Applicant must take a written/oral exam, a practical exam, and the Nevada law exam;
- Upon passing, Applicant must pay any required fees.

*Authority:* [NRS 644.204 Hair designers: Qualifications for examination](https://leg.state.nv.us/LAS/BillDisplay.aspx?Session=79&BillNum=644&BillType=644.204)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

Nevada has continuing education requirements. In order to renew a hair designing license 4 hours of education are required. 30 hours are required for renewing a teaching license. Licenses are renewed every 2 to 4 years. Licenses expire on the licensee’s birthday. For the case of those born on February 29th, the expiration date is February 28th.

*Authority:* [NRS 644.325 Renewal of license or certificate of registration](https://leg.state.nv.us/LAS/BillDisplay.aspx?Session=79&BillNum=644&BillType=644.325)

**Apprenticeship Programs**

The Board may issue a certificate of registration as an apprentice if:

- A person is required to travel more than 60 miles to the nearest licensed school of cosmetology; and
- If the training occurs within a licensed establishment which is located 60 miles or more from the nearest cosmetology school.

The applicant must meet the requirements necessary for licensure and must also provide the Board:
• A statement signed by a licensed hair designer or cosmetologist who will be supervising and training the apprentice which states that the person has been practicing for 3 or more years and is in good standing;
• A statement signed by the owner of the licensed establishment where the applicant will be trained which states that the owner will permit the apprenticeship.

The apprenticeship certificate is valid for 19 months and may be renewed by the Board upon good cause shown.

Authority: NRS 644.216 Hair designer's apprentice: Qualifications of applicant

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to be eligible for reciprocity in the State of Nevada, a license must be active and in good standing in another state. The applicant must submit an application with the requirement information to the Board. All applicants must take and pass the Nevada State Law Test.

If licensed in one of the following states, the Applicant must contact their state board and have a license certificate sent to the Nevada Board of Cosmetology:


Authority: Nevada Board of Cosmetology Reciprocity Information

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in hair design instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be licensed as a hair designer or cosmetologist;
• Applicant shall have successfully completed the 12th grade or its equivalent;
• Applicant shall have 1 year of experience as a hair designer or cosmetologist or as a licensed student instructor;
• Applicant shall have completed 1,000 hours of training as an instructor; or
• 500 hours of training as a licensed provisional instructor in a school of cosmetology;
• Applicant shall pass a theory examination and the Nevada State Law examination;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: NRS 644.195 Instructors: Qualifications for license; fee

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Nevada Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be at least 18 years old;
• Applicant shall be of good moral character and temperate habits;
**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall have successfully completed an apprenticeship within the state; or
- Applicant shall have 5 years of experience within the 10 years immediately preceding the application while licensed in another state; or
- Applicant has completed 400 hours of specialized training at a barber school; or
- Applicant shall be a citizen of the United States or lawfully entitled to live and work in the United States.

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire April 1st of every even numbered year.

**Apprenticeship Programs**

A person may be a barber apprentice if the Applicant is:

- 16 and ½ years of age or older;
- Of good moral character and temperate habits;
- Has had a chest X-ray to indicate that they are not tuberculous and a blood test to indicate that they do not carry and communicable diseases.

To take the examination after being an apprentice the applicant must:

- Have completed 1,500 hours of instruction;
- Have completed the 12th grade or the equivalent;
- Be an American citizen or be lawfully entitled to work in the United States.

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

There is no reciprocity for barber licenses in Nevada. However, a person will be eligible to take the state examination if they have practiced as a barber outside of Nevada for 5 years.
Authority: NRS 643.120 Admission of barber or apprentice licensed or certified in another jurisdiction

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant has a high school diploma or its equivalent;
• Applicant is a licensed barber in the state;
• Applicant has practiced at least 5 years as a full-time licensed Barber;
• Applicant has successfully completed the 600 hours of instruction;
• Applicant has passed an instructor examination;
• Applicant pays all required fees.

Authority: NRS 643.1775 Qualifications for license as instructor

Aestheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to practice as an aesthetician in Nevada shall obtain a license in compliance with the Nevada Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant shall be at least 18 years old;
• Applicant shall be of good moral character;
• Applicant is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully entitled to remain and work in the United States;
• Applicant shall have successfully completed the 10th grade or its equivalent;
• Applicant shall have completed the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall pass the board required exams;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant must pay all required fees.

Authority: NRS 644.207 Aestheticians: Qualifications for examination

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant must complete 900 hours of training in a school approved by the Board; or
• Applicant must have practiced aesthetician for 1 year outside of Nevada; or
• Applicant has at least 1,800 hours of service as an apprentice;
• Applicant must take a written/oral exam, a practical exam, and the Nevada law exam;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: NRS 644.207 Aestheticians: Qualifications for examination

Continuing Education Requirements

Nevada has continuing education requirements. In order to renew an aesthetician license 4 hours of education are required. 30 hours are required for renewing a teaching license. Licenses are
renewed every 2 to 4 years. Licenses expire on the licensee’s birthday. For the case of those born on February 29th, the expiration date is February 28th.

Authority: NRS 644.325 Renewal of license or certificate of registration

Apprenticeship Programs

The Board may issue a certificate of registration as an apprentice if:

- A person is required to travel more than 60 miles to the nearest licensed school of cosmetology; and
- If the training occurs within a licensed establishment which is located 60 miles or more from the nearest cosmetology school.

The Applicant must meet the requirements necessary for licensure and must also provide the Board:

- A statement signed by a licensed aesthetician or cosmetologist who will be supervising and training the apprentice which states that the person has been practicing for 3 or more years and is in good standing;
- A statement signed by the owner of the licensed establishment where the applicant will be trained which states that the owner will permit the apprenticeship.

The apprenticeship certificate is valid for 12 months and may be renewed by the Board upon good cause shown.

Authority: NRS 644.2155 Aesthetician's apprentice: Qualifications of applicant

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to be eligible for reciprocity in the State of Nevada, a license must be active and in good standing in another state. The applicant must submit an application with the requirement information to the Board. All applicants must take and pass the Nevada State Law Test.

If licensed in one of the following states, the Applicant must contact their state board and have a license certificate sent to the Nevada Board of Cosmetology:


Authority: Nevada Board of Cosmetology Reciprocity Information

Instructors

Any individual wishing to become an aesthetician instructor shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be licensed as an aesthetician;
- Applicant shall have successfully completed the 12th grade or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall have 1 year of experience as a licensed aesthetician or as a licensed student instructor;
• Applicant shall have completed 700 hours of training as an instructor; or
• 500 hours of training as a licensed provisional instructor in a school of cosmetology;
• Applicant shall pass a theory examination and the Nevada State Law examination;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: NRS 644.1955 Instructors of aestheticians: Qualifications for examination; advanced training

Nail Technologist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology in Nevada shall obtain a license in compliance with the Nevada Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall be at least 18 years old;
• Applicant shall be of good moral character;
• Applicant is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully entitled to remain and work in the United States;
• Applicant shall have successfully completed the 10th grade or its equivalent;
• Applicant shall have completed the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall pass the board required exams;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant must pay all required fees.

Authority: NRS 644.205 Nail technologists: Qualifications for examination

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant must complete 600 hours of training in a school approved by the Board; or
• Applicant must have practiced as a nail technologist for 1 year outside of Nevada; or
• Applicant has at least 1,200 hours of service as an apprentice;
• Applicant must take a written or oral exam, a practical exam, and the Nevada law exam;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: NRS 644.205 Nail technologists: Qualifications for examination

Continuing Education Requirements

Nevada has continuing education requirements. In order to renew a nail technician license 4 hours of education are required. 30 hours are required for renewing a teaching license. Licenses are renewed every 2 to 4 years. Licenses expire on the licensee’s birthday. For the case of those born on February 29th, the expiration date is February 28th.

Authority: NRS 644.325 Renewal of license or certificate of registration

Apprenticeship Programs

The Board may issue a certificate of registration as an apprentice if:
• A person is required to travel more than 60 miles to the nearest licensed school of cosmetology; and
• If the training occurs within a licensed establishment which is located 60 miles or more from the nearest cosmetology school.

The Applicant must meet the requirements necessary for licensure and must also provide the Board:
• A statement signed by a licensed nail technologist or cosmetologist who will be supervising and training the apprentice which states that the person has been practicing for 3 or more years and is in good standing;
• A statement signed by the owner of the licensed establishment where the applicant will be trained which states that the owner will permit the apprenticeship.

The apprenticeship certificate is valid for 10 months and may be renewed by the Board upon good cause shown.

Authority: NRS 644.2165 Nail Technologist’s apprentice: Qualifications of applicant

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to be eligible for reciprocity in the State of Nevada, a license must be active and in good standing in another state. The applicant must submit an application with the requirement information to the Board. All applicants must take and pass the Nevada State Law Test.

If licensed in one of the following states, the Applicant must contact their state board and have a license certificate sent to the Nevada Board of Cosmetology:


Authority: Nevada Board of Cosmetology Reciprocity Information

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall be licensed as a nail technician;
• Applicant shall have successfully completed the 12th grade or its equivalent;
• Applicant shall have 1 year of experience as a licensed nail technologist or as a licensed student instructor;
• Applicant shall have completed 500 hours of training as an instructor;
• Applicant shall pass a theory examination and the Nevada State Law examination;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: NRS 644.197 Instructors in nail technology: Qualifications for examination; advanced training
Makeup Artists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to be registered as a makeup artist in Nevada shall obtain a certificate in compliance with the Nevada Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be 18 years of age or older;
- Applicant shall be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall be a citizen of the United States or is lawfully entitled to remain and work in the United States;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall have completed at least 2 years of high school or equivalent.

Authority: NRS 644.251 Makeup artists

Examination Requirements

No examination is required for licensure.

Authority: NRS 644.251 Makeup artists

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for makeup artists. Certificate must be renewed on or before January 1st of every year.

Authority: NRS 644.251 Makeup artists

Apprenticeship Programs

There are no apprenticeship programs offered for makeup artists.

Authority: NRS 644.251 Makeup artists

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

There is no reciprocity for makeup artist license in Nevada. Instead, a certificate can be applied for and must be renewed every year.

Authority: NRS 644.251 Makeup artists

Instructors

There is no specific focus in Makeup Artist Instruction. See above categories for instructor requirements in other fields of interest.

Authority: NRS 644.251 Makeup artists
Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Services are allowed in Nevada. Mobile Cosmetology establishments must comply with the following standards:

- Exterior advertising depicting “Licensed Cosmetological Establishment” must be on both sides of the vehicle with the unit’s establishment number;
- The floor, carpeting, walls, ceiling, furniture, equipment and all contents of the establishment must be kept clean and in good repair at all times;
- Carpeting is permitted only within the driving or cab area, if applicable, and only if approved by the appropriate city and county agencies governing fire codes;
- All storage cabinets must be secured by the use of spring struts or friction catches;
- All equipment must be securely anchored to the establishment;
- The interior of the establishment must be 7 to 8 feet wide, inclusive, have a ceiling height of at least 6 feet and be at least 24 feet long, as measured from the front interior wall to the back of the establishment;
- One 5-pound ABC fire extinguisher must be mounted in public view;
- A ramp or lift must be provided for access to the establishment if services are provided to persons with disabilities;
- No services may be performed while the establishment is in motion;
- Sleeping provisions must not be placed or maintained in the working area of the establishment;
- Containers in the establishment must consist of galvanized stainless steel or other noncorrosive material not including glass;
- All chemicals in the establishment must be stored in secured cabinets, separate and apart from other articles or equipment in the establishment.

Authority: NAC 644.600 Definitions and NAC 644.640 General standards for establishments

High School Cosmetology Programs

Cosmetology schools in Nevada must be postsecondary institutions. There are no specific rules governing high school cosmetology programs in Nevada. The student is required to complete the same number of hours of instruction within a Cosmetology program as any other, non-high school, student.

Authority: NRS 644.380 Application for license

Additional Professions Licensed

- Body Piercing
- Electrology
- Hair Braiding
- Massage Therapy
- Permanent Makeup
- Shampoo Technology
- Tattoo Art
- Threading
NEW YORK

**Cosmetologists**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant must complete the required hours of approved course study in a licensed school;
- Applicant must pass both the New York State written and practical examinations;
- Applicant shall submit an application with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees to receive licensure.

*Authority: [FAQ - Cosmetology](#)*

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 1,000 class hours to qualify for examination;
- Applicant must pass both a written and practical exam;
- Applicant must correctly answer at least 70 percent of the questions to pass the examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay the required fees to receive licensure.

*Authority: [Cosmetology Examination Requirements](#)*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

New York does not currently require continuing education for cosmetology licenses. Cosmetology licenses must be renewed online. The expiration dates are printed on the license.

*Authority: [Cosmetology Continuing Education](#)*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Apprenticeships are not permitted in New York. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

*Authority: [FAQ - Cosmetology](#)*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

An applicant who holds a Cosmetology license in another jurisdiction may obtain a Cosmetology license in New York through endorsement or reciprocity. The lists for reciprocity and endorsement are available at: [License Reciprocity](#) and [License Endorsement](#).

In order to be licensed:

- Applicants must submit certification from the cosmetology board where currently licensed;
- Applicants must also complete the cosmetology application and pay the application fee.
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- New York holds a number of different pathway options for individuals seeking an instructor position;
- All pathways are available at: Cosmetology Instructor Pathways;
- Applicants must have a cosmetology license to apply for an instructor's license;
- Applicants must also complete the New York State Teacher Certification Exam and receive the teaching certificate;
- Applicant must also be cleared by the New York State Education Department through a fingerprint-supported criminal history background check;
- Applicants must provide approved citizenship status;
- Each pathway holds other requirements and are available at the link above.

Natural Hair Stylists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in natural hair styling shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant must complete the required hours of approved course study in a licensed school;
- Applicant must pass both the New York State written and practical examinations;
- Applicant shall submit an application with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees to receive licensure.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 300 class hours to qualify for examination;
- Applicant must pass both a written and practical exam;
- You must correctly answer at least 70 percent of the questions to pass the examination.
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay any required fees to receive licensure.

Continuing Education Requirements

New York does not currently require continuing education for Natural Hair Stylist licenses. License renewal. Natural Hair Stylist licenses must be renewed online. The expiration dates are printed on the license.
Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in New York. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: FAQ - Cosmetology

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

New York does not have license reciprocity for Natural Hair Stylists. However, New York does hold endorsement agreements with other states, the list is available at: Endorsement List

Authority: FAQ - Cosmetology

Instructors

Applicants must have a cosmetology license to apply for an instructor's license;

Authority: Instructor Requirements

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be 17 years of age or older;
- Applicant successful completion of a course of study; or
- Applicant successfully completes a 2-year apprenticeship;
- Applicant completed a one-time course of study regarding "the transmission of contagious diseases and the proper methods of sanitation and sterilization";
- Applicant successfully completed the NYS practical examination within 2 years;
- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant shall submit an application with the required documents;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees to receive licensure.

Authority: FAQ - Barbering

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 600 course hours; or
- Applicant must complete a 2-year apprenticeship;
- Applicant must complete a practical examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant shall pay any required fees to receive licensure.

Authority: Barber Examination Requirements
Continuing Education Requirements

New York does not currently require continuing education for barber licenses. Barber licenses must be renewed online. License expirations are printed on the license.

Authority: Barber Continuing Education

Apprenticeship Programs

After you have worked as a NYS-registered barber apprentice under the supervision of a NYS-licensed barber for two years you may apply for a barber license based on the apprenticeship.

Authority: FAQ - Barbering

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

For barbers, there is a reciprocal agreement between New York State and the following states: Maine, Pennsylvania and New Mexico.

Because of the similarity in license standards in Maine, New Mexico and Pennsylvania, the Department of State will waive the New York State practical exam requirement if you supply an original certificate (with raised seal) from one of those states, along with a completed Barber Operator Application.

Authority: FAQ - Barbering

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- New York holds a number of different pathway options for individuals seeking an instructor position;
- All pathways are available at: Barber Instructor Pathways;
- Applicants must have a Barber license to apply for an instructor's license;
- Applicants must also complete the New York State Teacher Certification Exam and receive the teaching certificate;
- Applicant must also be cleared by the New York State Education Department through a fingerprint-supported criminal history background check;
- Applicants must provide approved citizenship status;
- Each pathway holds other requirements and are available at the link above.

Authority: Barber Instructor Requirements

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant must complete the required hours of approved course study in a licensed school;
• Applicant must pass both the New York State written and practical examinations;
• Applicant shall submit an application which the required documents;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees to receive licensure.

Authority: FAQ - Esthetics

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant must complete 600 hours approved course of study;
• Applicant must pass both a written and practical exam;
• You must correctly answer at least 70 percent of the questions to pass the examinations;
• Esthetician exams cannot be taken online they must be taken at an approved examination site.

Authority: Esthetician Exam Information

Continuing Education Requirements

New York does not currently require continuing education for Esthetician licenses. Esthetic licenses must be renewed online. The expiration dates are printed on the license.

Authority: Esthetician Continuing Education

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are not permitted in New York. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: FAQ - Esthetics

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

New York does not have license reciprocity for estheticians. However, New York does hold endorsement agreements with other states, the list is available at: Endorsement List

Authority: FAQ - Esthetics

Instructors

Applicants must have a cosmetology license to apply for an instructor's license;

Authority: Instructor Requirements

Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
• Applicant must complete the required hours of approved course study in a licensed school;
• Applicant must pass both the New York State written and practical examinations;
• Applicant shall submit an application with the required documents;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees to receive licensure.

Authority: FAQ - Nail Specialty

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant must complete 250 hours of approved course study;
• Applicant must pass both a written and practical exam;
• You must correctly answer at least 70 percent of the questions to pass the examination;
• Upon passing, Applicant shall pay any required fees to receive licensure.

Authority: Nail Specialty Examination Requirements

Continuing Education Requirements

New York does not currently require continuing education for Nail Specialty licenses. Nail Specialty licenses must be renewed online. The expiration dates are printed on the license.

Authority: Nail Specialty Continuing Education

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in New York shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:
• New York State offers a Nail Trainee program;
• Applicant must complete one year as a NYS Licensed Nail Trainee;
• Applicant must complete a 26-hour nail trainee course of study;
• Applicant must pass both the NY written and practical examinations.

Authority: FAQ - Nail Specialty

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

New York does not have license reciprocity for Nail Specialists. However, New York does hold endorsement agreements with other states, the list is available at: Endorsement List

Authority: FAQ - Nail Specialty

Instructors

Applicants must have a cosmetology license to apply for an instructor's license;

Authority: Instructor Requirements
**Make-up Artists**

Individuals seeking a career in this field must have an Esthetics license.

*Authority: 27 General Business Law §400 Definitions*

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

New York does not license Mobile Salons.

*Authority: 27 General Business Law §400 Definitions*

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

New York does have high school cosmetology programs available. Students must complete 1,000 course hours.

*Authority: High School Cosmetology Requirements*

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Body Piercing
- Waxing
- Tattoo
- Massage
NORTH CAROLINA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must complete the required hours in an approved cosmetic art school
  cosmetologist curriculum;
- Applicant must complete the required performances Passage of the State Board
  examination 75% or higher Payment of appropriate fees;
- Or, the applicant may complete 1,200 hours in an approved cosmetic art school apprentice
  curriculum and completion of the required performances Passage of the State Board
  examination 70% or higher Payment of appropriate fees.

Authority: Licensure Requirements for NC applicants

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant may complete 1,500 hours of course study;
- Candidates may apply for their exam online at www.DLRoope.com;
- Pay the exam fee with a credit card or debit card or they may submit a paper application
  along with a money order;
- If you graduated from a school and you apply online, your school will approve your online
  application in our School Portal;
- If you prefer to submit a paper application and you graduated from a school in the state
  where you are going to test, then you must obtain an exam application from your school;
- Paper exam applications for Apprentice, Out of State, Reinstate, and Retake may be obtained
  on our website at www.DLRoope.com under the state you are obtaining your license in.

Authority: DL Roope FAQ

Continuing Education Requirements

Continuing education requirements:

- Prior to renewal of a license, a teacher, cosmetologist, esthetician, natural hair care
  specialist, or manicurist shall annually complete eight hours of Board-approved continuing
  education for each year of the licensing cycle.
• A cosmetologist may complete up to 24 hours of required continuing education at any time within the cosmetologist’s three-year licensing cycle.
• Licensees shall submit written documentation to the Board showing that they have satisfied the requirements of this subsection.
• A licensee who is in active practice as a cosmetologist, esthetician, natural hair care specialist, or manicurist, has practiced for at least 10 consecutive years in that profession, and is 60 years of age or older does not have to meet the continuing education requirements of this subsection.
• A licensee who is in active practice as a cosmetologist and has at least 20 consecutive years of experience as a cosmetologist, does not have to meet the continuing education requirements of this subsection, but shall report any continuing education classes completed to the Board, whether the continuing education classes are Board-approved or not.

Authority: Cosmetology Continuing Education Requirements § 88B-21

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in North Carolina shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:
• The apprenticeship will be effective on the date the apprentice license is issued; time worked under a temporary work permit does not count toward the apprenticeship.
• An apprenticeship cannot be completed in less than 6 months. One must work full-time (38-40 hours/week) to complete the apprenticeship in six months.
• Working less than 38-40 hours per week is considered part-time. A total of 1,040 hours must be completed for any part-time apprenticeship.
• Apprenticeships must be completed in a currently licensed cosmetic arts salon in North Carolina.
• Apprenticeships worked either in a licensed Barber shop or under the supervision of a licensed barber will not be accepted.
• The apprentice must be under the direct supervision of an active and currently licensed North Carolina cosmetologist at all times. The supervising cosmetologist must be licensed for the duration of the apprenticeship.
• Applicants must complete an affidavit.
• Apprenticeships may be completed in more than one salon. Each salon requires an affidavit to be completed.

Authority: Cosmetology Apprentice Requirements

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:
• Hold a current license in good standing (disciplinary actions);
• Be licensed in a state that offers reciprocity to North Carolina

Authority: Cosmetology License Reciprocity Requirements
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- 800 hours (Cosmetologist) in an approved cosmetic art school teacher program; or
- proof of 5 years (Cosmetologist) full-time work in a cosmetic art shop immediately prior to application;
- Passage of the State Board examination 85% or higher;
- Payment of appropriate fees;
- High school diploma or high school graduation equivalency certificate;
- Current license in cosmetology.

Authority: Cosmetology Instructor Requirements

Natural Hair Stylists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in natural hair styling shall meet the following qualifications:

- Successful completion of at least 300 hours of a natural hair care curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school.
- Passage of an examination conducted by the Board.
- Payment of the fees required by G.S. 88B-20.

Authority: Natural Hair Care Specialist License Requirements § 88B-10.1

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Candidates may apply for their exam online at www.DLRoope.com;
- Pay the exam fee with a credit card or debit card or they may submit a paper application along with a money order;
- If you graduated from a school and you apply online, your school will approve your online application in our School Portal;
- If you prefer to submit a paper application and you graduated from a school in the state where you are going to test, then you must obtain an exam application from your school;
- Paper exam applications for Apprentice, Out of State, Reinstate, and Retake may be obtained on our website at www.DLRoope.com under the state you are obtaining your license in.

Authority: DL Roope FAQ

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses renewal:

- Prior to renewal of a license, a teacher, cosmetologist, esthetician, natural hair care specialist, or manicurist shall annually complete eight hours of Board-approved continuing education for each year of the licensing cycle;
- A cosmetologist may complete up to 24 hours of required continuing education at any time within the cosmetologist’s three-year licensing cycle;
• Licenses shall submit written documentation to the Board showing that they have satisfied the requirements of this subsection;
• A licensee who is in active practice as a cosmetologist, esthetician, natural hair care specialist, or manicurist, has practiced for at least 10 consecutive years in that profession, and is 60 years of age or older does not have to meet the continuing education requirements of this subsection;
• A licensee who is in active practice as a cosmetologist and has at least 20 consecutive years of experience as a cosmetologist, does not have to meet the continuing education requirements of this subsection, but shall report any continuing education classes completed to the Board, whether the continuing education classes are Board-approved or not.

Authority: Natural Hair Care Specialist Continuing Education Requirements § 88B-21

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in North Carolina shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:
• Successful completion of at least 1,200 hours of a cosmetology curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school;
• Passage of an examination conducted by the Board;
• Payment of the fees required by G.S. 88B-20.

Authority: Natural Hair Care Apprentice Requirements § 88B-8

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:
• Hold a current license in good standing (disciplinary actions);
• Be licensed in a state that offers reciprocity to North Carolina;
• Reciprocity licenses will not be granted for hair braiders in the state of Texas, Mississippi, South Carolina, or Florida.

Authority: Natural Hair Care Specialist License Reciprocity Requirements

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Holds in good standing a natural hair care license issued by the Board;
• Submits proof of either practice as a natural hair care specialist in a cosmetic art shop or any Board-approved employment capacity in the cosmetic art industry for a period equivalent to two years of full-time work immediately prior to application or successful completion of at least 320 hours of a natural hair care teacher curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school

Authority: Natural Hair Care Specialist Instructor Requirements § 88B-11
Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall meet the following qualifications:

- Has attended an approved barber school for the required hours;
- Has completed a 12-month apprenticeship under the supervision of a licensed barber, as provided in G.S. 86A-24;
- Has passed a clinical examination conducted by the Board;
- Has submitted to the Board the affidavit required by G.S. 86A-24(c) certifying that the applicant has served the apprenticeship required by subdivision 2;
- Make application to the Board on forms prepared and furnished by the Board, and the application shall contain proof under applicant's oath of the particular qualifications of the applicant;
- All applications for examination must be filed with the Board at least 30 days prior to the actual taking of such examination by applicants;
- Pay to the Board the required fee.

Authority: Barber License Requirements § 86A-3

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicants must complete 1,528 hours of course study;
- Candidates may apply for their exam online at www.DLRoope.com;
- Pay the exam fee with a credit card or debit card or they may submit a paper application along with a money order;
- If you graduated from a school and you apply online, your school will approve your online application in our School Portal;
- If you prefer to submit a paper application and you graduated from a school in the state where you are going to test, then you must obtain an exam application from your school;
- Paper exam applications for Apprentice, Out of State, Reinstate, and Retake may be obtained on our website at www.DLRoope.com under the state you are obtaining your license in.

Authority: DL Roope FAQ

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses renewal:

- Registered barbers who continue in practice shall annually, on or before May 31 of each year, renew their certificates of registration and furnish such health certificate as the Board may require and pay the required renewal fee;
- Every certificate of registration shall expire on the 31st day of May in each year. Any certificate of registration issued under this Chapter is automatically suspended by operation of law after failure to renew the certificate of registration by the expiration date.

Authority: Barber Continuing Education Requirements § 86A-17
Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in North Carolina shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Before being issued an apprentice license, an applicant must pass an examination conducted by the Board to determine his competence, including his knowledge of barbering, sanitary rules and regulations, and knowledge of diseases of the face, skin and scalp;
- An apprentice license expires on May 31 of each year. Every holder of an apprentice license shall annually renew the apprentice license by the expiration date and pay the required renewal fee;
- On completion of at least one year's apprenticeship, evidenced by affidavit of the supervising registered licensed barber or barbers, and upon meeting the other requirements of G.S. 86A-3, the apprentice shall be issued a license as a registered barber.

Authority: Barber Apprentice Requirements § 86A-24

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:

- The Board shall issue, without examination, a license to applicants already licensed in another state provided the applicant presents evidence satisfactory to the Board that:
  - He is currently an active, competent practitioner in good standing; and
  - He has practiced at least three out of the five years immediately preceding his application; and
  - He currently holds a valid license in another state; and
  - There is no disciplinary proceeding or unresolved complaint pending against him at the time a license is to be issued by this State; and
  - The licensure requirements in the other state are the substantive equivalent of those required by this State.

Authority: Barber License Reciprocity Requirements § 86A-12

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- The Board shall issue an instructor's certificate to any currently registered barber who has passed an instructor's examination given by the Board;
- This examination shall cover the subjects listed in G.S. 86A-22(4) and in the Textbook of Barber Styling approved by the Board;
- A person desiring to take an instructor's examination must make application to the Board for examination on forms to be furnished by the Board and pay the instructor's examination fee;
- Each person who passes the instructor's examination shall be issued a certificate of registration as a registered instructor by paying the issuance fee;
- Every instructor's certificate shall expire on May 31 of each year;
- Any instructor's certificate issued under this Chapter is automatically suspended by operation of law after failure to renew the instructor's certificate by the expiration date and may be renewed only upon payment of all lapsed renewal fees and the required late fee;
• Any person whose instructor’s certificate has expired for a period of three years or more shall be required to take and pass the instructor’s examination before the certificate can be renewed.

Authority: Barber Instructor Requirements § 86A-23

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall meet the following qualifications:
• Successful completion of the required hours of an esthetics curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school;
• Passage of an examination conducted by the Board;
• Payment of the fees required by G.S. 88B-20.

Authority: Licensure Requirements for NC applicants

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicants must complete 600 hours of course study;
• Candidates may apply for their exam online at www.DLRoope.com;
• Pay the exam fee with a credit card or debit card or they may submit a paper application along with a money order;
• If you graduated from a school and you apply online, your school will approve your online application in our School Portal;
• If you prefer to submit a paper application and you graduated from a school in the state where you are going to test, then you must obtain an exam application from your school;
• Paper exam applications for Apprentice, Out of State, Reinstate, and Retake may be obtained on our website at www.DLRoope.com under the state you are obtaining your license in.

Authority: DL Roope FAQ

Continuing Education Requirements

Continuing Education Licenses renewal:
• Prior to renewal of a license, a teacher, cosmetologist, esthetician, natural hair care specialist, or manicurist shall annually complete eight hours of Board-approved continuing education for each year of the licensing cycle;
• Licensees shall submit written documentation to the Board showing that they have satisfied the requirements of this subsection;
• A licensee who is in active practice as a cosmetologist, esthetician, natural hair care specialist, or manicurist, has practiced for at least 10 consecutive years in that profession, and is 60 years of age or older does not have to meet the continuing education requirements of this subsection;
- A licensee who is in active practice as a cosmetologist and has at least 20 consecutive years of experience as a cosmetologist, does not have to meet the continuing education requirements of this subsection, but shall report any continuing education classes completed to the Board, whether the continuing education classes are Board-approved or not.

**Authority:** Esthetician Continuing Education Requirements § 88B-21

**Apprenticeship Programs**

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in North Carolina shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Successful completion of at least 1,200 hours of a cosmetology curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school;
- Passage of an examination conducted by the Board;
- Payment of the fees required by G.S. 88B-20.

**Authority:** Esthetician Apprentice Requirements § 88B-8

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Hold a current license in good standing (disciplinary actions);
- Be licensed in a state that offers reciprocity to North Carolina;
- Reciprocity licenses will not be granted for Estheticians in the state of Texas, Mississippi, or South Carolina.

**Authority:** Esthetician License Reciprocity Requirements

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Holds in good standing a cosmetologist or an esthetician license issued by the Board.
- Submits proof of either practice as an esthetician in a cosmetic art shop, or any Board-approved employment capacity in the cosmetic arts industry, for a period equivalent to three years of full-time work immediately prior to application or successful completion of at least 650 hours of an esthetician teacher curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school.
- Passes an examination for esthetician teachers conducted by the Board.

**Authority:** Esthetician Instructor Requirements

**Nail Technicians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in nail shall meet the following qualifications:
• Successful completion the required hours of a manicurist curriculum in an approved
cosmetic art school;
• Passage of an examination conducted by the Board;
• Payment of the fees required by G.S. 88B-20.

Authority: Nail Technician License Requirements § 88B-10

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicants must complete 300 hours of course study;
• Candidates may apply for their exam online at www.DLRoope.com;
• Pay the exam fee with a credit card or debit card or they may submit a paper application
along with a money order;
• If you graduated from a school and you apply online, your school will approve your online
application in our School Portal;
• If you prefer to submit a paper application and you graduated from a school in the state
where you are going to test, then you must obtain an exam application from your school;
• Paper exam applications for Apprentice, Out of State, Reinstate, and Retake may be obtained
on our website at www.DLRoope.com under the state you are obtaining your license in.

Authority: DL Roope FAQ

Continuing Education Requirements

Continuing education requirements:
• Prior to renewal of a license, a teacher, cosmetologist, esthetician, natural hair care
specialist, or manicurist shall annually complete eight hours of Board-approved continuing
education for each year of the licensing cycle;
• Licensees shall submit written documentation to the Board showing that they have satisfied
the requirements of this subsection;
• A licensee who is in active practice as a cosmetologist, esthetician, natural hair care
specialist, or manicurist, has practiced for at least 10 consecutive years in that profession,
and is 60 years of age or older does not have to meet the continuing education requirements
of this subsection;
• A licensee who is in active practice as a cosmetologist and has at least 20 consecutive years
of experience as a cosmetologist, does not have to meet the continuing education
requirements of this subsection, but shall report any continuing education classes
completed to the Board, whether the continuing education classes are Board-approved or
not.

Authority: Nail Technician Continuing Education Requirements § 88B-21
Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in North Carolina shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

• Successful completion of at least 1,200 hours of a cosmetology curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school;
• Passage of an examination conducted by the Board;
• Payment of the fees required by G.S. 88B-20.

Authority: Nail Technician Apprentice Requirements § 88B-8

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:

• Hold a current license in good standing (disciplinary actions);
• Be licensed in a state that offers reciprocity to North Carolina;
• Reciprocity licenses will not be granted for hair braiders in the state of Texas, Mississippi, or South Carolina.

Authority: Nail Technician License Reciprocity Requirements

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• Holds in good standing a cosmetologist or manicurist license issued by the Board;
• Submits proof of either practice as a manicurist in a cosmetic art shop, or any Board-approved employment capacity in the cosmetic arts industry, for a period equivalent to two years of full-time work immediately prior to application or successful completion of at least 320 hours of a manicurist teacher curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school;
• Passes an examination for manicurist teachers conducted by the Board.

Authority: Nail Technician Instructor Requirements

Make-up Artists

North Carolina Does not hold specific licensure for makeup artists the minimum requirement would be an esthetician license.

Authority: Definitions § 88B-2

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile cosmetic art shops and schools are prohibited.

Authority: 21 NCAC 14H.0503 Mobile Salon Regulations
High School Cosmetology Programs

There are no specific rules governing high school cosmetology programs in North Carolina. North Carolina does offer programs on the high school level.

Authority: Bond required for private cosmetic art schools § 88B-17

Additional Professions Licensed

- Electrology
- Massage Therapy
NORTH DAKOTA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall meet the following qualifications:

• The applicant shall adhere to the laws and rules regarding the practice of cosmetology;
• The applicant shall have educational qualifications equivalent to completion of four years of high school;
• The applicant shall have enrolled in a school of cosmetology and complied the hours of education required;
• The applicant must pass the examinations required by the board;
• The applicant must submit an application with the required documents;
• The applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: N.D.C.C. § 43-11-19 Student-Registration

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant must complete 1,800 hours of training;
• Applicant must take the NIC Written exam, North Dakota State Practical, and the North Dakota Sanitation practices and cosmetology law exam;
• Applicants must pay all required fees.

Authority: FAQ Examination Requirements

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Every cosmetologist shall renew the cosmetologist’s license before December 31st each year. However, instructors are required to complete 8 hours of continuing education annually.

Authority: N.D.A.C. § 32-05-01-01 Cosmetologist

Apprenticeship Programs

There are no apprenticeships offered. Education must be received in a licensed school.

Authority: N.D.C.C. § 43-11-19 Student-Registration

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in North Dakota. In order to be licensed without examination a person must meet the following requirements:

• Applicant is currently licensed in another state, territory, foreign country, or province where the requirements are substantially equal to those of North Dakota;
• Applicant shall provide to the Board proof of completing the course curriculum hours and proof of successfully passing the theoretical and practical examinations substantially similar to those required in this state; or
• If the above qualifications are not met the applicant shall provide satisfactory proof:
  o The applicant is licensed in good standing;
  o The applicant worked in the licensed profession for at least three of the past five years;
  o The applicant graduated from a licensed school;
  o The applicant passed a theoretical and practical examination acceptable to the board;
• All applicants must also take and pass to the satisfaction of the board an examination on sanitary practices and cosmetology law in North Dakota.

Authority: N.D.C.C. § 43-11-25 License Reciprocity

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall have a general education equivalent to the completion of four years in high school;
• Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
• Applicant shall currently be licensed as a cosmetologist;
• Applicant shall complete 960 hours of instructor’s training in a school of cosmetology; or
• Applicant shall have been practicing as a cosmetologist for at least 1 year prior to applying with 480 hours of instructor training; or
• Applicant shall have been practicing as a cosmetologist for at least 3 years and shall have completed 160 hours of training;
• Applicant must take and pass the examination;
• Applicant must pay all required fees.

Authority: N.D.C.C. § 43-11-27 Instructors

Stylists

Stylists are licensed under Cosmetology.

Authority: N.D.C.C. § 43-11-01. Definitions

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

A person is qualified to receive a certificate of registration as a registered apprentice barber if the person:
• The applicant is at least seventeen years of age;
• The applicant is of good moral character and temperate habits;
• The applicant has graduated from a school of barbering approved by the board;
The applicant has passed a satisfactory examination conducted by the board to determine the person’s fitness to practice as a registered apprentice;
- The applicant submits an application with the required documents;
- The applicant pays all required fees.

To be licensed as a barber one must work under the direct supervision of a registered barber for 1 year. After that year, a second examination may be undertaken and if passed, the apprentice attains registered barber status.

Authority: N.D.C.C. § 43-04-23 Qualifications

Exam Requirements

Each barber applicant must have completed 1550 hours of instruction at a school approved by the board and passed an examination before receiving an apprentice license. A minimum passing grade for master license is seventy-five percent. A minimum passing grade for apprentices and students is seventy percent.

Authority: N.D.C.C. § 14-03-01 Examinations

Continuing Education Requirements

All barbers licensed to practice barbering in North Dakota must complete a minimum of 6 hours of continuing education every 2 years. Licenses must be renewed annually.

Authority: N.D.A.C. § 14-03-03-01 Continuing education

Apprenticeship Programs

Each barber applicant must have completed 1550 hours of instruction at a school approved by the board and passed an examination before receiving an apprentice license. Then, they must work under the direct supervision of a registered barber for one year. After that year, a second examination may be undertaken and if passed, the apprentice attains registered barber status.

Authority: N.D.C.C. § 43-04-23 Qualifications

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The board may waive the requirement of a satisfactory examination and issue to an applicant a certificate of registration to practice barbering, if the applicant:
- is at least eighteen and one-half years of age;
- has completed high school or received a high school equivalency degree;
- has been graduated from a school of barbering approved by the board which requires as a requisite to graduation the completion of not less than 1,550 hours of instruction;
- has a valid license or certificate of registration as a practicing barber;
- delivers to the board a certificate from the examining board of another state certifying that the applicant is a licensed or registered barber in good standing and has practiced full time as a barber in that state for a period of at least three years.
If the applicant has not completed the requisite number of hours of instruction, each year of the applicant’s subsequent barbering experience constitutes the equivalent of two hundred hours of instruction which may be applied toward fulfilling the requisite number of hours.

**Authority:** N.D.C.C. § 43-04-38.1, another State license

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Has a 12th grade education or equivalent;
- Has passed an instructor’s examination conducted by the board;
- Has been actively practicing as a master barber for no less than five years immediately preceding taking the instructor’s examination;
- Has the unanimous approval of the board established through a personal interview with the board.

**Authority:** N.D.A.C. § 14-04-04-03, qualifications for instructors

**Estheticians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant shall adhere to the laws and rules regarding the practice of esthetics;
- The applicant shall have educational qualifications equivalent to completion of four years of high school;
- The applicant shall have enrolled in a school of cosmetology and complied the hours of education required;
- The applicant must pass the examinations required by the board;
- The applicant must submit an application with the required documents;
- The applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:** N.D.C.C. § 43-11-19 Student- Registration

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 600 hours of training;
- Applicant must take the NIC Written exam, North Dakota State Practical, and the North Dakota Sanitation practices and cosmetology law exam;
- Applicants must pay all required fees.

**Authority:** FAQ Examination Requirements

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Every esthetician shall renew their license before December 31st each year.
Apprenticeship Programs

There are no apprenticeships offered. Education must be received in a licensed school.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in North Dakota. In order to be licensed without examination a person must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant is currently licensed in another state, territory, foreign country, or province where the requirements are substantially equal to those of North Dakota;
- Applicant shall provide to the Board proof of completing the course curriculum hours and proof of successfully passing the theoretical and practical examinations substantially similar to those required in this state; or
- If the above qualifications are not met the applicant shall provide satisfactory proof:
  - The applicant is licensed in good standing;
  - The applicant worked in the licensed profession for at least three of the past five years;
  - The applicant graduated from a licensed school;
  - The applicant passed a theoretical and practical examination acceptable to the board;
- All applicants must also take and pass to the satisfaction of the board an examination on sanitary practices and cosmetology law in North Dakota.

Instructors

Instructors must be licensed cosmetologists.

Manicurist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant shall adhere to the laws and rules regarding the practice of manicuring;
- The applicant shall have educational qualifications equivalent to completion of four years of high school;
- The applicant shall have enrolled in a school of cosmetology and complied the hours of education required;
- The applicant must pay the examinations required by the board;
- The applicant must submit an application with the required documents;
- The applicant shall pay the required fees.
Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 350 hours of training;
- Applicant must take the NIC Written exam, North Dakota State Practical, and the North Dakota Sanitation practices and cosmetology law exam;
- Applicants must pay all required fees.

Authority: [FAQ Examination Requirements](#)

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Every manicurist shall renew their license before December 31st each year.

Authority: [N.D.A.C. § 32-05-01-07. Manicurist](#)

Apprenticeship Programs

There are no apprenticeships offered. Education must be received in a licensed school.

Authority: [N.D.C.C. § 43-11-19 Student- Registration](#)

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in North Dakota. In order to be licensed without examination a person must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant is currently licensed in another state, territory, foreign country, or province where the requirements are substantially equal to those of North Dakota;
- Applicant shall provide to the Board proof of completing the course curriculum hours and proof of successfully passing the theoretical and practical examinations substantially similar to those required in this state; or
- If the above qualifications are not met the applicant shall provide satisfactory proof:
  - The applicant is licensed in good standing;
  - The applicant worked in the licensed profession for at least three of the past five years;
  - The applicant graduated from a licensed school;
  - The applicant passed a theoretical and practical examination acceptable to the board;
- All applicants must also take and pass to the satisfaction of the board an examination on sanitary practices and cosmetology law in North Dakota.

Authority: [N.D.C.C. § 43-11-25 License Reciprocity](#)
**Instructors**

Instructors must be licensed as a cosmetologist.

*Authority: N.D.C.C. § 43-11-27 Instructors*

**Make-up Artists**

Makeup artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

*Authority: N.D.C.C. § 43-11-01. Definitions*

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile Cosmetology services are not licensed in North Dakota. Cosmetology practice must occur in a fixed location.

*Authority: N.D.C.C. § 43-11-01. Definitions*

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

Cosmetology schools in North Dakota may only register students who provide their high school diploma or equivalent.

*Authority: N.D.A.C. § 32-04-01-06. Student registration*

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Body Piercing
- Branding
- Electrology
- Massage Therapy
- Tattooing


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Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any person wishing to obtain a cosmetology license must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant must be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant must have the equivalent of an Ohio public school 10th grade education;
- Applicant must have submitted a written application on a form furnished by the board;
- Applicant passes an examination;
- Applicant pays to the board the applicable license fee;
- In the case of an applicant for an initial cosmetologist license, has successfully completed the required hours of board-approved cosmetology training in a school of cosmetology licensed in this state.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.28.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall submit the following to the state board of cosmetology:

- As part of a license application, proof that the individual satisfies all conditions to obtain the license for which the examination is conducted (including 1,500 hours in a licensed cosmetology school), other than the requirements to have passed the examination.
- A set of the individual's biometric fingerprint scan taken at the board's office.

The examination shall be specific to the type of license the individual seeks and satisfy all of the following conditions:

- Include both practical demonstrations and written or oral tests related to the type of license the individual seeks;
- Relate only to a branch of cosmetology, but not be confined to any special system or method;
- Be consistent in both practical and technical requirements for the type of license the individual seeks;
- Be of sufficient thoroughness to satisfy the board as to the individual’s skill in and knowledge of the branch of cosmetology for which the examination is conducted.

Examinations for licensure for any branch of cosmetology shall assess the ability of a prospective cosmetology professional to maintain a safe and sanitary place of service delivery.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.20. And 4713.24.

Continuing Education Requirements

The state board of cosmetology may adopt rules to establish a continuing education requirement, not to exceed 8 hours in a biennial licensing period, as a condition of renewal for a license. These hours may include training in identifying and addressing the crime of trafficking in persons as
described in section 2905.32 of the Revised Code. At least two of the 8 hours of the continuing education requirement must be achieved in courses concerning safety and sanitation, and at least one hour of the 8 hours of the continuing education requirement must be achieved in courses concerning law and rule updates.

**Authority:** OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.09.

**Apprenticeship Programs**

An applicant wishing to receive credit for an internship must follow these guidelines:

- Applicant must be in good standing.
- Applicant must maintain a valid license issued by the board.
- Applicant, salon, or school must not have any pending disciplinary action against them or any unpaid cosmetology based fines.
- Applicant must complete at least fifty percent of required program hours.
- Applicant must have direct and immediate supervision when working on a paying client and may only assist a licensed cosmetologist.
- Applicant must be directly supervised when applying chemical treatments.

**Authority:** OH. Stats. Sec. 4713-6

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

The state board of cosmetology shall issue a license to practice a branch of cosmetology or instructor license to an applicant who is licensed or registered in another state or country to practice that branch of cosmetology or teach the theory and practice of that branch of cosmetology, as appropriate, if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- Applicant is not less than 18 years of age;
- Applicant is of good moral character;
- Applicant passes their specific examination;
- Applicant pays the applicable fee;
- At the time the applicant obtained the license or registration in the other state or country, the requirements in this state for obtaining the license the applicant seeks were substantially equal to the other state or country’s requirements;
- The jurisdiction that issued the applicant’s license or registration extends similar reciprocity to individuals holding a license issued by the board.

**Authority:** OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.34.

**Instructors**

The state board of cosmetology shall issue an instructor license to an applicant who satisfies all of the following applicable conditions:

- Applicant is at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant is of good moral character;
- Applicant has the equivalent of an Ohio public school 12th grade education;
- Applicant pays the board the applicable fee;
- In the case of an applicant for an initial cosmetology instructor license, holds a current, valid advanced cosmetologist license issued in this state and does either of the following:
Has the licensed advanced cosmetologist or owner of the licensed beauty salon in which the applicant has been employed certify to the board that the applicant has engaged in the practice of cosmetology in a licensed beauty salon for at least 1,800 hours;

Has a school of cosmetology licensed in this state certify to the board that the applicant has successfully completed 1,000 hours of board-approved cosmetology instructor training as an apprentice instructor.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.31.

Stylists

Licensing Requirements

Any person wishing to obtain a natural hair styling license must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant must be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant must have the equivalent of an Ohio public school 10th grade education;
- Applicant must have submitted a written application on a form furnished by the board;
- Applicant passes an examination for the branch of cosmetology the applicant seeks to practice;
- Applicant pays to the board the applicable license fee;
- In the case of an applicant for an initial natural hair stylist license, has successfully completed the required hours of instruction in subjects relating to sanitation, scalp care, anatomy, hair styling, communication skills, and laws and rules governing the practice of cosmetology.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.28 (11)

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall submit the following to the state board of cosmetology:

- As part of a license application, proof that the individual satisfies all conditions to obtain the license for which the examination is conducted (including 450 hours of instruction in a licensed cosmetology school), other than the requirements to have passed the examination;
- A set of the individual’s biometric fingerprint scan taken at the board’s office;
- Examinations for licensure for any branch of cosmetology shall assess the ability of a prospective cosmetology professional to maintain a safe and sanitary place of service delivery. The examination shall be specific to the type of license the individual seeks and satisfy all of the following conditions:
  - Include both practical demonstrations and written or oral tests related to the type of license the individual seeks;
  - Relate only to a branch of cosmetology, but not be confined to any special system or method;
  - Be consistent in both practical and technical requirements for the type of license the individual seeks;
  - Be of sufficient thoroughness to satisfy the board as to the individual’s skill in and knowledge of the branch of cosmetology for which the examination is conducted.
Continuing Education Requirements

The state board of cosmetology may adopt rules to establish a continuing education requirement, not to exceed 8 hours in a biennial licensing period, as a condition of renewal for a license. These hours may include training in identifying and addressing the crime of trafficking in persons as described in section 2905.32 of the Revised Code. At least two of the 8 hours of the continuing education requirement must be achieved in courses concerning safety and sanitation, and at least one hour of the 8 hours of the continuing education requirement must be achieved in courses concerning law and rule updates.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.09.

Apprenticeship Programs

Hair styling internships must meet these requirements:

- Total clock hour credit toward graduation for a student intern participating in a natural hair stylist internship program is limited to a maximum of ten per cent of hours.

Authority: OH State Board of Cosmetology

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The state board of cosmetology shall issue a license to practice a branch of cosmetology or instructor license to an applicant who is licensed or registered in another state or country to practice that branch of cosmetology or teach the theory and practice of that branch of cosmetology, as appropriate, if all of the following conditions are satisfied

- Applicant is not less than 18 years of age;
- Applicant is of good moral character;
- Applicant passes their specific examination;
- Applicant pays the applicable fee;
- At the time the applicant obtained the license or registration in the other state or country, the requirements in this state for obtaining the license the applicant seeks were substantially equal to the other state or country’s requirements;
- The jurisdiction that issued the applicant's license or registration extends similar reciprocity to individuals holding a license issued by the board.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.34.

Instructors

The state board of cosmetology shall issue an instructor license to an applicant who satisfies all of the following applicable conditions:

- Applicant is at least 18 years if age;
- Applicant is of good moral character;
- Applicant has the equivalent of an Ohio public school 12th grade education;
- Applicant pays the board the applicable fee;
• In the case of an applicant for an initial natural hair style instructor license, holds a current, valid advanced natural hair stylist or advanced cosmetologist license and does either of the following:
  o Has the licensed advanced natural hair stylist, licensed advanced cosmetologist, or owner of the licensed natural hair style salon or licensed beauty salon in which the applicant has been employed certify to the board that the applicant has engaged in the practice of natural hair styling in a licensed natural hair style salon or practice of cosmetology in a licensed beauty salon for at least 1,800 hours;
  o Has a school of cosmetology licensed in this state certify to the board that the applicant has successfully completed at least 400 hours of board-approved natural hair style instructor training as an apprentice instructor.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.31 (I)

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any person who wishes to obtain an initial license to practice barbering shall apply to the barber board, on forms provided by the board. The applicant must meet the following requirements:

• Application must include the name of the person applying;
• Applicant must be of good moral character;
• Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
• Applicant must have an 8th grade education or an equivalent education as determined by the state board of education in the state where the applicant resides;
• Applicant must have graduated with the required hours of training from a board-approved barber school or has graduated with at least 1,000 hours of training from a board-approved barber school in this state and has a current cosmetology or hair designer license.

The application shall be accompanied by two signed current photographs of the applicant, in the size determined by the board, that show only the head and shoulders of the applicant, and the examination fee. The applicant must then pass an examination, scoring at least 75% on each part of the exam. After meeting these requirements, the board shall issue a license.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4709.07.

Examination Requirements

In order to take the required barber examination, an applicant must demonstrate that they meet all of the following:

• Applicant is of good moral character;
• Applicant is at least 18 years of age;
• Applicant has an 8th grade education or an equivalent education as determined by the state board of education in the state where the applicant resides;
• Applicant has graduated with at least 1,800 hours of training from a board-approved barber school or has graduated with at least one thousand hours of training from a board-approved barber school in this state and has a current cosmetology or hair designer license.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4709.07.
Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for barbers in Ohio.

Authority: OH. Stats, Sec. 4709.11.

Apprenticeship Programs

The Ohio State Barber Board does not accept apprenticeship credit.

Authority: OH. Stats, Sec. 4709.07

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Any person who holds a current license or registration to practice as a barber in any other state or district of the United States or country whose requirements for licensure or registration of barbers are substantially equivalent to the requirements of this chapter and rules adopted under it and that extends similar reciprocity to persons licensed as barbers in this state may apply to the barber board for a barber license.

Authority: OH. Stats, Sec. 4709.08

Instructors

Each person who desires to obtain a barber teacher license shall apply to the barber board, on the forms provided by the board. The applicant must meet the following requirements:

- Holds a current barber license issued pursuant to this chapter and has at least 18 months of work experience in a licensed barber shop or has been employed as an assistant barber teacher under the supervision of a licensed barber teacher for at least one year, unless, for good cause, the board waives this requirement;
- Meets such other requirements as adopted by rule by the board;
- Passes the required examination;
- Pays the required fees.

Authority: OH. Stats, Sec. 4709.10 (c)(1-4).

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to obtain an esthetics license must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant must be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant must have the equivalent of an Ohio public school 10th grade education;
- Applicant must have submitted a written application on a form furnished by the board;
• Applicant passes an examination for the branch of cosmetology the applicant seeks to practice;
• Applicant pays to the board the applicable license fee;
• In the case of an applicant for an initial esthetician license, has successfully completed the required hours of board-approved esthetics training in a school of cosmetology licensed in this state.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.28.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall submit the following to the state board of cosmetology:
• As part of a license application, proof that the individual satisfies all conditions to obtain the license for which the examination is conducted (including 600 hours of training in an approved school), other than the requirements to have passed the examination;
• A set of the individual’s biometric fingerprint scan taken at the board’s office.

The examination shall be specific to the type of license the individual seeks and satisfy all of the following conditions:
• Include both practical demonstrations and written or oral tests related to the type of license the individual seeks;
• Relate only to a branch of cosmetology, but not be confined to any special system or method;
• Be consistent in both practical and technical requirements for the type of license the individual seeks;
• Be of sufficient thoroughness to satisfy the board as to the individual’s skill in and knowledge of the branch of cosmetology for which the examination is conducted.

Examinations for licensure for any branch of cosmetology shall assess the ability of a prospective cosmetology professional to maintain a safe and sanitary place of service delivery.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.20. And 4713.24.

Continuing Education Requirements

The state board of cosmetology may adopt rules to establish a continuing education requirement, not to exceed 8 hours in a biennial licensing period, as a condition of renewal for a license. These hours may include training in identifying and addressing the crime of trafficking in persons as described in section 2905.32 of the Revised Code. At least two of the 8 hours of the continuing education requirement must be achieved in courses concerning safety and sanitation, and at least one hour of the 8 hours of the continuing education requirement must be achieved in courses concerning law and rule updates.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.09.
Apprenticeship Programs

There are no apprentice programs for estheticians in Ohio. The only accepted credit is through a school of cosmetology.

*Authority: OH. Stats, Sec. 4713.28 (8)*

License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements

The state board of cosmetology shall issue a license to practice a branch of cosmetology or instructor license to an applicant who is licensed or registered in another state or country to practice that branch of cosmetology or teach the theory and practice of that branch of cosmetology, as appropriate, if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- Applicant is not less than 18 years of age;
- Applicant is of good moral character;
- Applicant passes their specific examination;
- Applicant pays the applicable fee;
- At the time the applicant obtained the license or registration in the other state or country, the requirements in this state for obtaining the license the applicant seeks were substantially equal to the other state or country’s requirements;
- The jurisdiction that issued the applicant’s license or registration extends similar reciprocity to individuals holding a license issued by the board.

*Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.34.*

Instructors

The state board of cosmetology shall issue an instructor license to an applicant who satisfies all of the following applicable conditions:

- Applicant is at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant is of good moral character;
- Applicant has the equivalent of an Ohio public school 12th grade education;
- Applicant pays the board the applicable fee.

In the case of an applicant for an initial esthetics instructor license, holds a current, valid advanced esthetician or advanced cosmetologist license issued in this state and does either of the following:

- Has the licensed advanced esthetician, licensed advanced cosmetologist, or owner of the licensed esthetics salon or licensed beauty salon in which the applicant has been employed certify to the board that the applicant has engaged in the practice of esthetics in a licensed esthetics salon or practice of cosmetology in a licensed beauty salon for at 1,800 hours;
- Has a school of cosmetology licensed in this state certify to the board that the applicant has successfully completed at least 500 hours of board-approved esthetics instructor training as an apprentice instructor.

*Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.31 (F)*
Nail Technician

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to obtain a nail technician license must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant must be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant must have the equivalent of an Ohio public school 10th grade education;
- Applicant must have submitted a written application on a form furnished by the board;
- Applicant passes an examination for the branch of cosmetology the applicant seeks to practice;
- Applicant pays to the board the applicable license fee;
- In the case of an applicant for an initial nail technician license, has successfully the required hours of board-approved nail technician training in a school of cosmetology licensed in this state.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.28 (10)

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall submit the following to the state board of cosmetology:

- As part of a license application, proof that the individual satisfies all conditions to obtain the license for which the examination is conducted (including 200 hours of instruction from a licensed school), other than the requirements to have passed the examination;
- A set of the individual’s biometric fingerprint scan taken at the board’s office.

The examination shall be specific to the type of license the individual seeks and satisfy all of the following conditions:

- Include both practical demonstrations and written or oral tests related to the type of license the individual seeks;
- Relate only to a branch of cosmetology, but not be confined to any special system or method;
- Be consistent in both practical and technical requirements for the type of license the individual seeks;
- Be of sufficient thoroughness to satisfy the board as to the individual's skill in and knowledge of the branch of cosmetology for which the examination is conducted.

Examinations for licensure for any branch of cosmetology shall assess the ability of a prospective cosmetology professional to maintain a safe and sanitary place of service delivery.

Authority: OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.20. And 4713.24.

Continuing Education Requirements

The state board of cosmetology may adopt rules to establish a continuing education requirement, not to exceed 8 hours in a biennial licensing period, as a condition of renewal for a license. These hours may include training in identifying and addressing the crime of trafficking in persons as
described in section 2905.32 of the Revised Code. At least two of the 8 hours of the continuing education requirement must be achieved in courses concerning safety and sanitation, and at least one hour of the 8 hours of the continuing education requirement must be achieved in courses concerning law and rule updates.

*Authority: OH, Stats, Sec. 4713.09.*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Any individual that wishes to receive credit for an internship must meet the requirements that the board decides.

*Authority: OH Board of Cosmetology*

**License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements**

The state board of cosmetology shall issue a license to practice a branch of cosmetology or instructor license to an applicant who is licensed or registered in another state or country to practice that branch of cosmetology or teach the theory and practice of that branch of cosmetology, as appropriate, if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- Applicant is not less than 18 years of age;
- Applicant is of good moral character;
- Applicant passes their specific examination;
- Applicant pays the applicable fee;
- At the time the applicant obtained the license or registration in the other state or country, the requirements in this state for obtaining the license the applicant seeks were substantially equal to the other state or country’s requirements;
- The jurisdiction that issued the applicant’s license or registration extends similar reciprocity to individuals holding a license issued by the board.

*Authority: OH, Stats, Sec. 4713.34.*

**Instructors**

The state board of cosmetology shall issue an instructor license to an applicant who satisfies all of the following applicable conditions:

- Applicant is at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant is of good moral character;
- Applicant has the equivalent of an Ohio public school 12th grade education;
- Applicant pays the board the applicable fee.

In the case of an applicant for an initial nail technician instructor license, holds a current, valid advanced nail technician or advanced cosmetologist license and does either of the following:

- Has the licensed advanced nail technician, licensed advanced cosmetologist, or owner of the licensed nail salon or licensed beauty salon in which the applicant has been employed certify to the board that the applicant has engaged in the practice of manicuring in a
licensed nail salon or practice of cosmetology in a licensed beauty salon for at least 1,800 hours;
• Has a school of cosmetology licensed in this state certify to the board that the applicant has successfully completed at least 300 hours of board-approved nail technician instructor training as an apprentice instructor.

Authority: **OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.31 (H)**

**Make-up Artists**

There is no official license to practice make-up art. However it is recommended to pursue a cosmetology or esthetics license.

Authority: **OH. Stats. Sec. 4713.01**

**Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile Cosmetology Services are allowed.

Authority: **OH. Stats. Sec. 4713-11-14**

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

Ohio has cosmetology programs in high school through vocational schools. There are 10 classes to choose from within the M1 Cosmetology Pathway.

Authority: **OH Department of Education - Ohio Cosmetology Courses Pathway**

**Additional Professions Licensed**

• Hair Design
• Tanning Facilities

Authority: **Ohio Licenses and Permits**
OKLAHOMA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering and shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is over the age of 16;
- The applicant has completed at least the 8th grade;
- The applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction; or
- The applicant has completed an apprenticeship;
- The applicant shall take a written and practical exam;
- The applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- The applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: Cosmetology License Requirements, State of Oklahoma

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant has completed 1,500 hours of study or equivalent number of credit hours;
- The applicant completed 3,000 hours of apprenticeship;
- The applicant shall take and pass a written and practical exam;
- Upon passing, the applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Cosmetology License Requirements, State of Oklahoma

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. License expires yearly on the last day of the licensee's birthday month.

Authority: Cosmetology License Renewal, State of Oklahoma

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in cosmetology shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- The applicant has submitted evidence of need and been approved by the Board;
- Apprentice is required by law to obtain training under a licensed Instructor;
- Training to be conducted in an approved licensed establishment;
- The applicant completes 3,000 hours of study for Cosmetology;
- The applicant is over the age of 16;
- The applicant has completed at least the 8th grade.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to be licensed in Oklahoma through Reciprocity, the following requirements must be met:

- Applicant must have been licensed through substantially equivalent means;
- Applicant must hold a current license from another state, country or jurisdiction;
- Applicant must have successfully passed Oklahoma’s state rules, regulations, and law test administered by the Board.

Authority: OAC 175:10-13-1. Reciprocal license requirements

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall obtain a license in compliance with the Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall hold a current Oklahoma Cosmetology or Barber license;
- The applicant completes 1,000 hours of study; or
- The applicant shall complete 300 hours and possess 2 years of recent licensed experience;
- The applicant passes a written and practical exam;
- The applicant holds a High School Diploma or a General Education Development Certificate;
- The applicant is over the age of 16.

Authority: Instructor License Requirements, State of Oklahoma

Hairstylists

Licensing Requirements

Hairstylist are licensed under Cosmetology and Barbering

Authority: 59A O.S. § 199.1 Definitions

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Oklahoma state Board of Cosmetology and Barbering and shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is over the age of 16;
- The applicant has completed at least the 8th grade;
- The applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction; or
- The applicant has completed an apprenticeship;
- The applicant shall take a written and practical exam;
- The applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- The applicant shall pay any required fees.
Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- The applicant has completed 1,500 hours of study or equivalent number of credit hours;
- The applicant completed 3,000 hours of apprenticeship;
- The applicant shall take and pass a written and practical exam;
- Upon passing, the applicant shall pay the required fees.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. License expires yearly on the last day of the licensee's birthday month.

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in barbering shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:
- The applicant has submitted evidence of need and been approved by the Board;
- Apprentice is required by law to obtain training under a licensed Instructor;
- Training to be conducted in an approved licensed establishment;
- The applicant completes 3,000 hours of study for Barbering;
- The applicant is over the age of 16;
- The applicant has completed at least the 8th grade.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to be licensed in Oklahoma through Reciprocity, the following requirements must be met:
- Applicant must have been licensed through substantially equivalent means;
- Applicant must hold a current license from another state, country or jurisdiction;
- Applicant must have successfully passed Oklahoma’s state rules, regulations, and law test administered by the Board.
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall obtain a license in compliance with the Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall hold a current Oklahoma Cosmetology or Barber license;
- The applicant completes 1,000 hours of study; or
- The applicant shall complete 300 hours and possess 2 years of recent licensed experience;
- The applicant passes a written and practical exam;
- The applicant holds a High School Diploma or a General Education Development Certificate;
- The applicant is over the age of 16.

Authority: Instructor License Requirements, State of Oklahoma

Estheticians/Facialists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the Oklahoma state Board of Cosmetology and Barbering and shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is over the age of 16;
- The applicant has completed at least the 8th grade;
- The applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction; or
- The applicant has completed an apprenticeship;
- The applicant shall take a written and practical exam;
- The applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- The applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: Esthetician License, State of Oklahoma

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant has completed of 600 hours of study or equivalent number of credit hours;
- The applicant completed 1,200 hours of apprenticeship;
- The applicant shall take and pass a written and practical exam;
- Upon passing, the applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Esthetician License, State of Oklahoma

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. License expires yearly on the last day of the licensee’s birthday month.

Authority: Cosmetology License Renewal, State of Oklahoma
Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in esthetics shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- The applicant has submitted evidence of need and been approved by the Board;
- Apprentice is required by law to obtain training under a licensed Instructor;
- Training to be conducted in an approved licensed establishment;
- The applicant completes 1,200 hours of study for Esthetics;
- The applicant is over the age of 16;
- The applicant has completed at least the 8th grade.

Authority: Apprentice Requirements, State of Oklahoma

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to be licensed in Oklahoma through Reciprocity, the following requirements must be met:

- Applicant must have been licensed through substantially equivalent means;
- Applicant must hold a current license from another state, country or jurisdiction;
- Applicant must have successfully passed Oklahoma’s state rules, regulations, and law test administered by the Board.

Authority: OAC 175:10-13-1. Reciprocal license requirements

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetician instruction shall obtain a license in compliance with the Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall hold a current Oklahoma Cosmetology or Barber license;
- The applicant completes 1,000 hours of study; or
- The applicant shall complete 300 hours and possess 2 years of recent licensed experience;
- The applicant passes a written and practical exam;
- The applicant holds a High School Diploma or a General Education Development Certificate;
- The applicant is over the age of 16.

Authority: Facial/Esthetics Instructor License Requirements, State of Oklahoma

Manicurist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring shall obtain a license in compliance with the Oklahoma state Board of Cosmetology and Barbering and shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is over the age of 16;
- The applicant has completed at least the 8th grade;
- The applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction; or
- The applicant has completed an apprenticeship;
The applicant shall take a written and practical exam;  
The applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;  
The applicant shall pay any required fees.

**Authority:** [Manicurist License Requirements, State of Oklahoma](#)

### Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant has completed 600 hours of study or equivalent number of credit hours;
- The applicant completed 1,200 hours of apprenticeship;
- The applicant shall take and pass a written and practical exam;
- Upon passing, the applicant shall pay the required fees.

**Authority:** [Manicurist License Requirements, State of Oklahoma](#)

### Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. License expires yearly on the last day of the licensee’s birthday month.

**Authority:** [Cosmetology License Renewal, State of Oklahoma](#)

### Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in manicuring shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- The applicant has submitted evidence of need and been approved by the Board;
- Apprentice is required by law to obtain training under a licensed Instructor;
- Training to be conducted in an approved licensed establishment;
- The applicant completes 1,200 hours of study for Manicuring;
- The applicant is over the age of 16;
- The applicant has completed at least the 8th grade.

**Authority:** [Apprentice Requirements, State of Oklahoma](#)

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

In order to be licensed in Oklahoma through Reciprocity, the following requirements must be met:

- Applicant must have been licensed through substantially equivalent means;
- Applicant must hold a current license from another state, country or jurisdiction;
- Applicant must have successfully passed Oklahoma’s state rules, regulations, and law test administered by the Board.

**Authority:** [OAC 175:10-13-1. Reciprocal license requirements](#)
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology (manicurist) instruction shall obtain a license in compliance with the Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall hold a current Oklahoma Cosmetology or Barber license;
- The applicant completes 1,000 hours of study; or
- The applicant shall complete 500 hours and possess 2 years of recent licensed experience;
- The applicant passes a written and practical exam;
- The applicant holds a High School Diploma or a General Education Development Certificate;
- The applicant is over the age of 16.

Authority: [Manicurist instructor, State of Oklahoma](#)

Make-up Artists

Make-up artists are licensed under Cosmetology, Barbering, and Esthetics.

Authority: [59A O.S. § 199.1 Definitions](#)

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Salons are licensed in Oklahoma.

Authority: [59A O.S. § 199.1 Definitions](#)

High School Cosmetology Programs

Oklahoma does maintain rules concerning high school cosmetology programs. Students who are enrolled in a public school are required to complete a 1,500-clock hour curriculum. 1,000 hours will be pure cosmetology while 500 hours will pertain to related high school subjects.

Authority: [OAC 175:10-3-34. Basic Cosmetologist course curriculum for privately owned and public schools](#)

Additional Professions Licensed

- Cosmetician
- Demonstrator
- Electrology
- Hair Braiding Technician
- Massage Therapy
- Tattoo and body piercing
OREGON

**Cosmetology (Hair Design and Natural Hair Licenses)**

**Licensing Requirements**

An individual applying for a certification in a field of practice in the state of Oregon must:

- Meet the requirements of [OAR 331 division 30](#);
- Submit a completed application form prescribed by the agency;
- Payment of the required application, examination fees; and
- Meet all education, examination and training requirements in effect at the time of application

*Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0005*

**Exam Requirements**

- Practical Examination: The board recognizes and sanctions the practical examination conducted by an educational institution defined under [OAR 817-005-0005](#).
- Written Examination: The board-approved written examination consists of one or more fields of practice and the Oregon laws and rules examination.

*Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0030*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Cosmetology licenses are renewed every two years at the end of the month of original licensure.

*Authority: Oregon Health Licensing Office*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

The state of Oregon does not allow you to pursue apprenticeship to get your training hours.

*Authority: ORS 690*

**License Reciprocity**

- Submit an affidavit of licensure pursuant to OAR 331-030-0040 from another state, which is active with no current or pending disciplinary action and is substantially equivalent to Oregon certification requirements pursuant to ORS 690.047; and
- Completion and passage of a board approved written examination within two years before the date of application including the Oregon laws and rules examination. An applicant with a current certification who is seeking to add a field of practice must pass the Oregon laws and rules examination if the applicant has not passed this examination within two years of applying to add a field of practice.
• Upon passage of all required examinations and before receipt of certificate, the applicant must pay all certification fees.

Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0005(3)(b)

Instructors

Cosmetology applicants may obtain their license by completing a 1,000-hour cosmetology teacher training program offered by a licensed career school, if the applicant possesses a valid credential from the Health Licensing Office. If the applicant has an expired teacher license that is no more than three years old or was previously licensed in another state whose teacher requirements are less than those in Oregon, can take a 200-hour teacher training program offered at a licensed career school.

Authority: Teacher Registration - State of Oregon

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

An individual applying for a certification in a field of practice in the state of Oregon must:
• Meet the requirements of OAR 331 division 30;
• Submit a completed application form prescribed by the agency;
• Payment of the required application, examination fees; and
• Meet all education, examination and training requirements in effect at the time of application

Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0005

Exam Requirements

• Practical Examination: The board recognizes and sanctions the practical examination conducted by an educational institution defined under OAR 817-005-0005.
• Written Examination: The board-approved written examination consists of one or more fields of practice and the Oregon laws and rules examination.

Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0030

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Cosmetology licenses are renewed every two years at the end of the month of original licensure.

Authority: Oregon Health Licensing Office
Apprenticeship Programs

The state of Oregon does not allow you to pursue apprenticeship to get your training hours.

Authority: ORS 690

License Reciprocity

- Submit an affidavit of licensure pursuant to OAR 331-030-0040 from another state, which is active with no current or pending disciplinary action and is substantially equivalent to Oregon certification requirements pursuant to ORS 690.047; and
- Completion and passage of a board approved written examination within two years before the date of application including the Oregon laws and rules examination. An applicant with a current certification who is seeking to add a field of practice must pass the Oregon laws and rules examination if the applicant has not passed this examination within two years of applying to add a field of practice.
- Upon passage of all required examinations and before receipt of certificate, the applicant must pay all certification fees.

Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0005(3)(b)

Instructors

Cosmetology applicants may obtain their license by completing a 1,000-hour cosmetology teacher training program offered by a licensed career school, if the applicant possesses a valid credential from the Health Licensing Office. If the applicant has an expired teacher license that is no more than three years old or was previously licensed in another state whose teacher requirements are less than those in Oregon, can take a 200-hour teacher training program offered at a licensed career school.

Authority: Teacher Registration - State of Oregon

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

An individual applying for a certification in a field of practice in the state of Oregon must:
- Meet the requirements of OAR 331 division 30;
- Submit a completed application form prescribed by the agency;
- Payment of the required application, examination fees; and
- Meet all education, examination and training requirements in effect at the time of application.

Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0005
Exam Requirements

- Practical Examination: The board recognizes and sanctions the practical examination conducted by an educational institution defined under OAR 817-005-0005.
- Written Examination: The board-approved written examination consists of one or more fields of practice and the Oregon laws and rules examination.

Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0030

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Cosmetology licenses are renewed every two years at the end of the month of original licensure.

Authority: Oregon Health Licensing Office

Apprenticeship Programs

The state of Oregon does not allow you to pursue apprenticeship to get your training hours.

Authority: ORS 690

License Reciprocity

- Submit an affidavit of licensure pursuant to OAR 331-030-0040 from another state, which is active with no current or pending disciplinary action and is substantially equivalent to Oregon certification requirements pursuant to ORS 690.047; and
- Completion and passage of a board approved written examination within two years before the date of application including the Oregon laws and rules examination. An applicant with a current certification who is seeking to add a field of practice must pass the Oregon laws and rules examination if the applicant has not passed this examination within two years of applying to add a field of practice.
- Upon passage of all required examinations and before receipt of certificate, the applicant must pay all certification fees.

Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0005(3)(b)

Instructors

Cosmetology applicants may obtain their license by completing a 1,000-hour cosmetology teacher training program offered by a licensed career school, if the applicant possesses a valid credential from the Health Licensing Office. If the applicant has an expired teacher license that is no more than three years old or was previously licensed in another state whose teacher requirements are less than those in Oregon, can take a 200-hour teacher training program offered at a licensed career school.

Authority: Teacher Registration - State of Oregon
**Nail Technicians**

**Licensing Requirements**

An individual applying for a certification in a field of practice in the state of Oregon must:

- Meet the requirements of [OAR 331 division 30](https://regulations.gov);  
- Submit a completed application form prescribed by the agency;  
- Payment of the required application, examination fees; and  
- Meet all education, examination and training requirements in effect at the time of application

*Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0005*

**Exam Requirements**

- Practical Examination: The board recognizes and sanctions the practical examination conducted by an educational institution defined under [OAR 817-005-0005](https://regulations.gov).  
- Written Examination: The board-approved written examination consists of one or more fields of practice and the Oregon laws and rules examination.

*Authority: O.H.A. Rule 817-030-0030*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Cosmetology licenses are renewed every two years at the end of the month of original licensure.

*Authority: Oregon Health Licensing Office*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

The state of Oregon does not allow you to pursue apprenticeship to get your training hours.

*Authority: ORS 690*

**License Reciprocity**

- Submit an affidavit of licensure pursuant to OAR 331-030-0040 from another state, which is active with no current or pending disciplinary action and is substantially equivalent to Oregon certification requirements pursuant to ORS 690.047; and  
- Completion and passage of a board approved written examination within two years before the date of application including the Oregon laws and rules examination. An applicant with a current certification who is seeking to add a field of practice must pass the Oregon laws and rules examination if the applicant has not passed this examination within two years of applying to add a field of practice.  
- Upon passage of all required examinations and before receipt of certificate, the applicant must pay all certification fees.
Instructors

Cosmetology applicants may obtain their license by completing a 1,000-hour cosmetology teacher training program offered by a licensed career school, if the applicant possesses a valid credential from the Health Licensing Office. If the applicant has an expired teacher license that is no more than three years old or was previously licensed in another state whose teacher requirements are less than those in Oregon, can take a 200-hour teacher training program offered at a licensed career school.

Make-up Artists

Makeup artistry is covered under Estheticians.

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Freelance Authorization

- Practitioner who provides services outside of a licensed facility must hold a freelance license.
- A freelance license is valid for one year and becomes dormant on the last day of the month one year from the date of issuance or renewal, unless renewed.

High School Programs

Cosmetology programs in Oregon are only offered at postsecondary institutions.

Additional Professions Licensed

- Electrologist
- Body Art Practionners
- Advanced esthetics
- Massage therapist
PENNSYLVANIA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with The Pennsylvania Code and shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
- Applicant shall be of good moral character;
- Applicant shall disclose and submit an official Criminal History Record Information check with their applications;
- Applicant shall have completed a 10th grade education or equivalent;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass an examination administered through Pearson VUE;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 49 Pa.C.S. § 7.32d. Requirements for cosmetologist examination.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall have completed 1,250 hours as a student in a duly registered school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall have been registered and served as an apprentice for at least 2,000 hours in a licensed cosmetology salon;
- Applicant must pass a theory examination;
- Upon passing the exam, Applicant must pay any required licensing fees.

Authority: 49 Pa.C.S. § 7.32d. Requirements for cosmetologist examination.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Cosmetologist licenses will have an expiration date of January 31st of either an odd-numbered or an even-numbered year. This will be specified on the license.

Authority: Pennsylvania Board of Cosmetology Renewal Forms

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship in Pennsylvania must file an application for an apprentice permit and the permit must be issued by the Board before an apprentice may begin practicing in a licensed shop. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Applicant must complete 2,000 hours of training;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
• Applicant shall have completed the 10th grade or equivalent;
• Applicant shall be free from contagious or infectious diseases.

Authority: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Cosmetology Law Document (Section 4.3).

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Licensing by Reciprocity is offered in Pennsylvania. In order to obtain a license based on having a current license in another State, Applicant must have had a license for at least 2 years within a State that has an understanding of reciprocity with Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania does NOT have an understanding of reciprocity with the following states: Connecticut, Colorado, Florida, Hawaii, New Jersey, New Mexico, Rhode Island, or Utah.

The reciprocity list is subject to change at any time. It is advisable to contact the Pennsylvania State Board prior to submission.

Otherwise any applicant who wishes to obtain a cosmetology license must pass a theory examination. Requirements for Examination:
• Hold a current, active cosmetology license in a state where Pennsylvania does not have an agreement of reciprocity;
• Provide a certification of their license from the state in which they are licensed on official letterhead bearing the state seal;
• Provide official Criminal History Records Information check with their application.

Authority: Pennsylvania Cosmetology Candidate Handbook

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology teaching shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall be at least 18 years old;
• Applicant has a current Cosmetology license;
• Applicant shall have completed a 12th grade education or equivalent;
• Applicant has completed 500 hours of specialized training;
• Applicant has passed the written examination;
• Applicant pays any required fees.

In order to instruct apprentices:
• Applicant must obtain a teacher’s license;
• Applicant shall be at least 23 years old;
• Applicant shall have had a minimum of 5 years of experience as a licensed cosmetologist in Pennsylvania.

**Hairstylists**

Hairstylists are licensed under Cosmetology.

*Authority: [49 Pa.C.S. § 7.1. Definitions](#)*

**Barbers**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
- Applicant shall disclose and submit an official Criminal History Record Information check with their applications;
- Applicant shall have an 8th grade education or higher;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall apply for and pass the examinations administered through Pearson VUE;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority: [Pennsylvania Barber Licensing Requirements Document](#)*

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must have completed a 1,250-hour course of instruction in barbering in a licensed school; or
- Applicant successfully completed a 1,250-hour course of instruction in a licensed barber shop under the supervision of a barber teacher;
- Applicant must pass a theory examination and a practical examination;
- Upon passing the exams, Applicant must pay any required licensing fees.

*Authority: [Pennsylvania Barber Candidate Handbook](#)*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire April 30th of every even-numbered year.

*Authority: [Pennsylvania Board of Barber Examiners Renewal Forms](#)*

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Students in barber shops must be instructed in accordance with the curriculum requirements outlined in the Pennsylvania Code. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:
- Applicant shall complete 1,250 hours of instruction in a licensed shop;
- Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
- Applicant shall have completed the 8th grade or equivalent.

**Authority:** Pennsylvania Student Training in Shop Document

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Licensing by Reciprocity is offered in Pennsylvania. To qualify for licensure based on holding a current license in another State, Applicant must have a license from one of the following states: California, Delaware, Idaho, Kansas, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, New Mexico, New York, South Carolina, South Dakota, and Virginia.

The reciprocity list is subject to change at any time. It is advisable to contact the Pennsylvania State Board prior to submission.

Otherwise any applicant who wishes to obtain a barber license must obtain their license through endorsement and must pass a theory examination.

**Requirements for Examination:**
- Hold a current, active barber license in a state where Pennsylvania does not have an agreement of reciprocity;
- Provide a certification of their license from the state in which they are licensed on official letterhead bearing the state seal;
- Provide official Criminal History Records Information check with their application.

**Authority:** Pennsylvania Board of Barber Examiners Reciprocity Application

### Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant must pass a theory examination and a practical examination;
- Applicant shall be at least 23 years old;
- Applicant shall have 12th grade education or equivalent;
- Applicant must have successfully completed five years of experience as a licensed barber in a licensed shop in Pennsylvania; or
- Applicant holds a current barber manager license and has trained for 1,250 hours under a licensed teacher in a licensed barber school as teacher trainee.

**Authority:** Pennsylvania Barber Candidate Handbook

### Estheticians

### Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to be an esthetician shall obtain a license in compliance with The Pennsylvania Code and shall complete the following:
- Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;
• Applicant shall disclose and submit an official Criminal History Record Information check with their applications;
• Applicant shall have completed a 10th grade education or equivalent;
• Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall pass an examination administered through Pearson VUE;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 49 Pa.C.S. § 7.32e. Requirements for esthetician examination.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall have completed 300 hours as a student in a duly registered school of esthetics;
• Applicant must pass a theory examination through Pearson VUE;
• Upon passing the exam, Applicant must pay any required licensing fees.

Authority: 49 Pa.C.S. § 7.32e. Requirements for esthetician examination.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire on January 31st of odd-Numbered Years.

Authority: Pennsylvania Board of Cosmetology Renewal Forms

Apprenticeship Programs

There is no Esthetician Apprenticeship program in Pennsylvania. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.

Authority: 49 Pa.C.S. § 7.32e. Requirements for esthetician examination.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Licensing by Reciprocity is offered in Pennsylvania. In order to obtain a license based on having a current license in another State, Applicant must have had a license for at least 2 years within a State that has an understanding of reciprocity with Pennsylvania.
Pennsylvania does NOT have an understanding of reciprocity with the following States: Connecticut, Colorado, Florida, Hawaii, New Jersey, New Mexico, Rhode Island, or Utah.

The reciprocity list is subject to change at any time. It is advisable to contact the Pennsylvania State Board prior to submission.

Otherwise any applicant who wishes to obtain an esthetician license must pass a theory examination.
Requirements for Examination:
Hold a current, active esthetics license in a state where Pennsylvania does not have an agreement of reciprocity;  
Provide a certification of their license from the state in which they are licensed on official letterhead bearing the state seal;  
Provide official Criminal History Records Information check with their application.

Authority: Pennsylvania Cosmetology Candidate Handbook

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in teaching esthetics shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years old;  
- Applicant has a current esthetics license;  
- Applicant shall have completed a 12th grade education or equivalent;  
- Applicant has completed 500 hours of specialized training;  
- Applicant has passed the written examination;  
- Applicant pays any required fees.


Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to be a nail technician shall obtain a license in compliance with The Pennsylvania Code and shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years old;  
- Applicant shall disclose and submit an official Criminal History Record Information check with their applications;  
- Applicant shall have completed a 10th grade education or equivalent;  
- Applicant shall complete the required hours of instruction;  
- Applicant shall pass an examination administered through Pearson VUE;  
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;  
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.


Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall have completed 200 hours as a student in a duly registered school of cosmetology;  
- Applicant must pass a theory examination through Pearson VUE;  
- Upon passing the exam, Applicant must pay any required licensing fees.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire on January 31st of Even-Numbered Years.

Authority: Pennsylvania Board of Cosmetology Renewal Forms

Apprenticeship Programs

There is no nail technician apprenticeship program in Pennsylvania. An Applicant’s education must be received in a Board approved school.


License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Licensing by Reciprocity is offered in Pennsylvania. In order to obtain a license based on having a current license in another State, Applicant must have had a license for at least 2 years within a State that has an understanding of reciprocity with Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania does NOT have an understanding of reciprocity with the following States: Alabama, Connecticut, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Mississippi, New Jersey, New Mexico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, or West Virginia.

The reciprocity list is subject to change at any time. It is advisable to contact the Pennsylvania State Board prior to submission.

Otherwise any applicant who wishes to obtain a nail technician license must pass a theory examination.

Requirements for Examination:

- Hold a current, active nail technician license in a state where Pennsylvania does not have an agreement of reciprocity;
- Provide a certification of their license from the state in which they are licensed on official letterhead bearing the state seal;
- Provide official Criminal History Records Information check with their application.

Authority: Pennsylvania Cosmetology Candidate Handbook

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technician teaching shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years old;
- Applicant has a current nail technology license;
- Applicant shall have completed a 12th grade education or equivalent;
- Applicant has completed 500 hours of specialized training;
- Applicant has passed the written examination;
- Applicant pays any required fees.
Authority: [49 Pa.C.S. § 7.32b. Requirements for teacher examinations.]

**Make-up Artists**

Make-up Artists are licensed under Esthetics.

Authority: [49 Pa.C.S. § 7.1. Definitions.]

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile salons are not permitted in Pennsylvania.

Authority: [49 Pa.C.S. § 7.51. Application for a salon license.]

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

There are no rules prohibiting high school students from enrolling in a Cosmetology program approved by the Board. The student is required to complete the same number of hours of instruction within as any other non-high school student. Vocational-technical schools can be licensed under the Public School Code in Pennsylvania to teach Cosmetology. Programs are offered on the high school level.

Authority: [49 Pa.C.S. § 7.111. Application for a school license.]

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Massage Therapy
- Natural Hair Braiding

There are no licenses required for Tattooing and Body Piercing in Pennsylvania.
RHODE ISLAND

Cosmetology
Licensing Requirements
Any person wishing to obtain a cosmetology license must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or has legal entry into the country;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent;
- Applicant must have satisfactorily completed a course of instruction in an approved school of cosmetic therapy;
- Applicant must have satisfactorily passed a written and practical examination approved by the Department to determine the fitness of the applicant to receive a license;
- Applicant must have completed a course of instruction in cosmetic therapy meeting the required hours of continuous study and practice in an approved school.

Authority: R5-10-HAIR §§ 4.0 – 5.1

Exam Requirements
Any person wishing to take the cosmetology exam must meet these requirements:

- Applicant must pay $25;
- Applicant must have a recent passport type photo;
- Applicant must have an original U.S. birth certificate or notarized copy. If born outside the U.S. applicant must have an original notarized copy of citizenship or lawful alien status;
- Applicant must have an official transcript sent directly from the school of cosmetology with 1,500 hours of continuous study in an approved school;
- Applicant must have a copy of high school diploma or GED;
- Applicants by exam must schedule their own appointment with the testing service for the NIC written exam.

Authority: Rhode Island Board of Hairdressing and Barbing

Continuing Education Requirements
Rhode Island does not require CE in order to renew a license.

Authority: Rules and Regulations for Cosmeticians in Rhode Island

Apprenticeship Programs
Rhode Island does not offer apprenticeships in cosmetology.

Authority: Rules and Regulations for Cosmeticians in Rhode Island
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
Any person wishing to obtain a license through license reciprocity must meet the following:

- Any person licensed to practice cosmetic therapy in another state where the requirements are the equivalent of those of this state, the applicant shall be entitled to a license for cosmetician upon the acceptance of his or her credentials by the Department;
- The board of cosmetic therapy in each state in which the applicant has held or holds licensure shall submit directly to the Department, a statement attesting to the licensure status of the applicant during the time period the applicant held licensure in said state;
- The applicant must have satisfactorily passed a written and practical examination administered by the Department, or another state board, of the theory and practice of cosmetic therapy;
- Persons who have been duly licensed by examination under the laws of other states of the United States or the District of Columbia shall not be prevented from practicing the profession for which they have been trained in either cosmetic therapy in this state for a period of three months, provided the applicant files an application to become licensed.

Authority: R5-10-HAIR § 8.0

Instructors
Any person wishing to become a cosmetics instructor must do the following:

- Applicant meets the general requirements of the board;
- Applicant fills out the application for license and fees;
- Applicant has held a cosmetician’s license, issued under the laws for RI or another state for at least three years preceding the date of application of an instructor’s license;
- Applicant has passed an examination approved by the Department.

Authority: R5-10-HAIR § 5.6

Stylists
See Cosmetology and Hairdressing Section.

Barbers

Licensing Requirements
Any person wishing to obtain a barber’s license must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or has legal entry into the country;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent;
- Applicant must have satisfactorily completed a course of instruction in an approved school of barbering;
- Applicant must have satisfactorily passed a written and practical examination approved by the Department to determine the fitness of the applicant to receive a license;
Applicant has completed a course of instruction in barbering meeting the required hours of continuous study and practice in an approved school;

Applicant has successfully completed 1,000 hours of barber instruction in an approved school and has completed a minimum of 840 hours of barber on-the-job training, as a registered barber apprentice, obtained within a minimum of 6 months as a registered apprentice.

Authority: R5-10-HAIR § 5.4

Exam Requirements
Anyone wishing to receive a barber’s license must successfully pass the exam as determined by the Department:

- The department may administer a nationally recognized written examination such as the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Hairdressing Examination. Minimum passing score is 70%;
- Practical examinations shall be given in a manner prescribed by the Department and the minimal passing score shall be 70%.
- Applicants must complete 1,500 hours at a required school of barbering.

Authority: R5-10-HAIR § 7.0

Continuing Education Requirements
Rhode Island does not require CE in order to renew a license.

Authority: Rules and Regulations for Barbers in Rhode Island

Apprenticeship Programs
The Department shall issue an apprentice barber registration to an individual who meets the following requirements:

- Applicant completes the application;
- Applicant submits acceptable evidence that any training the apprentice receives shall be conducted by and under the direct supervision of a licensed barber in a licensed hair design shop;
- Apprentice barbers shall be under the direct supervision of a licensed barber who must be on the premises with the apprentice barber;
- The number of apprentice barbers which a licensed barber may supervise in a licensed hair design shop serving the general public shall be no more than one apprenticed barber to one licensed barber.

In order for an apprentice to become licensed they must have:

- Applicant has possessed for at least two years prior to the filing of the license application a certificate of registration in full force and effect from the Department specifying that person as a registered apprentice barber and the application of that applicant is accompanied by an affidavit or affidavits of his or her employer or former employers or other reasonably
satisfactory evidence showing that the applicant has been actually engaged in barbering as an apprentice barber in the state during those two years.

Authority: R5-10-HAIR § 5.5

License Reciprocity Availability and Agreements

Any person wishing to obtain a license through license reciprocity must meet the following:

- Any person licensed to practice barbering in another state where the requirements are the equivalent of those of this state, the applicant shall be entitled to a license for barbering, upon the acceptance of his or her credentials by the Department;
- The board of barbering in each state in which the applicant has held or holds licensure shall submit directly to the Department, a statement attesting to the licensure status of the applicant during the time period the applicant held licensure in said state;
- The applicant must have satisfactorily passed a written and practical examination administered by the Department, or another state board, of the theory and practice of barbering;
- Persons who have been duly licensed by examination under the laws of other states of the United States or the District of Columbia shall not be prevented from practicing the profession for which they have been trained in either barbering, hairdressing/cosmetic therapy, manicuring or esthetics in this state for a period of three months, provided the applicant files an application to become licensed.

Authority: R5-10-HAIR § 8.0

Instructors

Any person wishing to become a barber instructor must do the following:

- Applicant meets the general requirements of the board;
- Applicant fills out the application for license and fees;
- Applicant has held a barber’s license, issued under the laws for RI or another state for at least three years preceding the date of application of an instructor’s license;
- Applicant has passed an examination approved by the Department.

Authority: R5-10-HAIR § 5.6

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any person wishing to obtain an esthetician’s license must meet the following requirements:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or has legal entry into the country;
- Applicant must be of good moral character;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent;
- Applicant must have satisfactorily completed a course of instruction in an approved school of esthetics;
- Applicant must have satisfactorily passed a written and practical examination approved by the Department to determine the fitness of the applicant to receive a license;
- Applicant has completed a course of instruction in esthetics meeting the hour requirements in an approved school of cosmetic therapy or who holds a diploma or certificate from a skin care school that is recognized as a skin care school by the state or nation in which it is located.

Authority: R5-10-HAIR § 5.3

Exam Requirements
Any person wishing to take the esthetician’s exam must meet these requirements:
- Applicant must pay $25;
- Applicant must have a recent passport type photo;
- Applicant must have an original U.S. birth certificate or notarized copy. If born outside the U.S. applicant must have an original notarized copy of citizenship or lawful alien status;
- Applicant must have an official transcript sent directly from the school of Esthetics showing completion of 600 hours of continuous study over a period of no less than 4 months at an approved school;
- Applicant must have a copy of high school diploma or GED;
- Applicants by exam must schedule their own appointment with the testing service for the NIC written exam;
- The department may administer a nationally recognized written examination such as the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Hairdressing Examination. Minimum passing score is 70%;
- Practical examinations shall be given in a manner prescribed by the Department and the minimal passing score shall be 70%

Authority: R5-10-HAIR § 7.0 – Rhode Island Board of Hairdressing and Barbering

Continuing Education Requirements
Rhode Island does not require CE in order to renew a license.

Authority: Rules and Regulations for Estheticians in Rhode Island

Apprenticeship Programs
Rhode Island does not offer apprenticeships for estheticians.

Authority: Rules and Regulations for Estheticians in Rhode Island

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
Any person wishing to obtain a license through license reciprocity must meet the following:
• Any person licensed to practice esthetics in another state where the requirements are the equivalent of those of this state, the applicant shall be entitled to a license for esthetician, upon the acceptance of his or her credentials by the Department;
• The board of cosmetic therapy in each state in which the applicant has held or holds licensure shall submit directly to the Department, a statement attesting to the licensure status of the applicant during the time period the applicant held licensure in said state;
• The applicant must have satisfactorily passed a written and practical examination administered by the Department, or another state board, of the theory and practice of cosmetic therapy;
• Persons who have been duly licensed by examination under the laws of other states of the United States or the District of Columbia shall not be prevented from practicing the profession for which they have been trained in esthetics in this state for a period of three months, provided the applicant files an application to become licensed.

Authority: **R5-10-HAIR § 8.0**

**Instructors**
Any person wishing to become an esthetics instructor must do the following:
• Applicant meets the general requirements of the board;
• Applicant fills out the application for license and fees;
• Applicant has held an esthetician's license, issued under the laws for RI or another state for at least three years preceding the date of application of an instructor’s license;
• Applicant has passed an examination approved by the Department.

Authority: **R5-10-HAIR § 5.6**

**Nail Technician**

**Licensing Requirements**
Any person wishing to obtain a nail technician license must meet the following requirements:
• Applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
• Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or has legal entry into the country;
• Applicant must be of good moral character;
• Applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent;
• Applicant must have satisfactorily completed a course of instruction in an approved school of manicuring;
• Applicant must have satisfactorily passed a written and practical examination approved by the Department to determine the fitness of the applicant to receive a license;
• Applicant has completed a course of instruction meeting required hours in manicuring, at an approved school.

Authority: **R5-10-HAIR § 5.3**
Exam Requirements
Any person wishing to take the nail technician exam must meet these requirements:

- Applicant must pay $25;
- Applicant must have a recent passport type photo;
- Applicant must have an original U.S. birth certificate or notarized copy. If born outside the U.S. applicant must have an original notarized copy of citizenship or lawful alien status;
- Applicant must have an official transcript sent directly from the school of Manicuring showing completion of 300 hours at a licensed school;
- Applicant must have a copy of high school diploma or GED;
- Applicants by exam must schedule their own appointment with the testing service for the NIC written exam;
- The department may administer a nationally recognized written examination such as the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Hairdressing Examination. Minimum passing score is 70%;
- Practical examinations shall be given in a manner prescribed by the Department and the minimal passing score shall be 70%

Authority: R5-10-HAIR § 7.0 – Rhode Island Board of Hairdressing and Barbering

Continuing Education Requirements
Rhode Island does not require CE in order to renew a license.

Authority: Rules and Regulations for Nail Technicians in Rhode Island

Apprenticeship Programs
Rhode Island does not offer apprenticeships for nail technicians.

Authority: Rules and Regulations for Nail Technicians in Rhode Island

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
Any person wishing to obtain a license through license reciprocity must meet the following:

- Any person licensed to practice manicuring in another state where the requirements are the equivalent of those of this state, the applicant shall be entitled to a license for manicurist, upon the acceptance of his or her credentials by the Department;
- The board of cosmetic therapy in each state in which the applicant has held or holds licensure shall submit directly to the Department, a statement attesting to the licensure status of the applicant during the time period the applicant held licensure in said state;
- The applicant must have satisfactorily passed a written and practical examination administered by the Department, or another state board, of the theory and practice of cosmetic therapy;
- Persons who have been duly licensed by examination under the laws of other states of the United States or the District of Columbia shall not be prevented from practicing the profession for which they have been trained in manicuring in this state for a period of three months, provided the applicant files an application to become licensed.
**Instructors**
Any person wishing to become a nail technician instructor must do the following:
- Applicant meets the general requirements of the board;
- Applicant fills out the application for license and fees;
- Applicant has held a nail technician's license, issued under the laws for RI or another state for at least three years preceding the date of application of an instructor’s license;
- Applicant has passed an examination approved by the Department.

**Make-up Artists**
There is no official license required to be a make-up artist in RI. However, a person wishing to practice make-up art will need to either earn a cosmetology license or esthetician license to work in RI.

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**
Mobile Cosmetology services are not allowed in the state of Rhode Island.

**High School Cosmetology Programs**
Rhode Island offers high school cosmetology programs through career and technical education programs. There are several high school sand career tech centers that offer cosmetology. Students can start specific cosmetology classes after 9th grade.

**Additional Professions Licensed**
- Tattooer must register with the state, no license is required.
- Electrologists must register with the state, no license is required.
- Body Piercers must register with the state, no license is required.
SOUTH CAROLINA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology must meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age.
- Applicant shall have completed a 10\textsuperscript{th} grade education or equivalency by tests used in the public schools or tests approved by the board.
- Applicant shall have completed 1,500 hours in a cosmetology school approved by the Board or be licensed as a registered master hair care specialist for a period of five years.
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation.
- Applicant shall take and pass a written and a practical exam.
- Applicant will pay the required fees.

Authority: Cosmetologist Section 40-13-230 (A)

Exam Requirements

The South Carolina Board of Cosmetology requires licensure applicants to pass a nationally recognized examination. The only testing accepted by the Board is the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology. The testing service provider will expect the following from each candidate:

- Applicant shall review the most recent candidate information bulletin found on the testing service provider's web site.
- Applicant shall complete the online application.
- Applicant shall take and pass the written and practical Registered Cosmetologist/Nail Technician/Esthetician examination prior to being issued a license to work in South Carolina.

A first time applicant is required to:

- Provide proof of 10\textsuperscript{th} grade or greater education.
- Submit an original certified transcript of school hours earned within 24 months of graduation. (Cosmetologists are required to have 1,500 school hours)
- All school hours greater than 24 months are null and void if you have not passed both NIC exams (theory and practical).

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

Continuing Education Requirements

All persons licensed by the board as cosmetologists must show satisfactory evidence of 12 contact hours biennially. Only half of the 12-hour requirement may be completed online. At least 3 hours of instruction shall be in sanitation or health and safety for clients.
Apprenticeship Programs

South Carolina does not allow apprenticeships to count towards training hours, the only acceptable way to receive credit is to attend a beauty school.

License Reciprocity and Availability Agreements

Reciprocity is offered in South Carolina. A person currently licensed or certified to practice in another state or territorial possession of the United States, whose license is in good standing, may be issued a license if the person has satisfactorily passed a nationally recognized examination for entry into the profession. In addition, the completed application shall include the applicant's age and they shall have the ability to read, write and comprehend the English language in order to prevent the unlawful use of hazardous and harmful chemicals.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application for an instructor's license on a form prescribed by the board.
- Applicant shall hold a high school diploma or a G.E.D. certificate.
- Applicant shall be a licensed cosmetologist.
- Applicant shall have practiced for at least two years or, after receiving a cosmetologist license, has completed 750 hours of instructor training program.
- Applicant shall have received 45 hours of training in a teaching methods course approved by the Board.
- Applicant will pay the required fees.
- Applicant shall pass the instructors examination prescribed by the Board.

Alternately, for specialized theory hours, a person who has a minimum of five years of experience or a bachelor’s degree in a related profession, occupation or cognitive area, may instruct the required theory classes with prior approval by the board.

Any licensed instructor must complete the following continuing education requirements:

- Show satisfactory evidence of twelve contact hours of instruction geared toward teaching biennially.
- Only half of the 12-hour requirement may be completed online.
- If you complete 6 hours online, you must complete 6 hours in-person with the same CE provider in order to gain full credit.
Authority: SC. Stats. 35-4. – South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

**Hairstylists**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in hairstyling must meet the following qualifications under the South Carolina Board of Cosmetology:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age.
- Applicant shall have completed a 10th grade education or equivalency by tests used in the public schools or tests approved by the board.
- Applicant shall have completed 1,500 hours in a cosmetology school approved by the Board or be licensed as a registered master hair care specialist for a period of five years.
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation.
- Applicant shall take and pass a written and a practical exam.
- Applicant will pay the required fees.

Authority: Cosmetologist Section 40-13-230 (A)

**Exam Requirements**

The South Carolina Board of Cosmetology requires licensure applicants to pass a nationally recognized examination. The only testing accepted by the Board is the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology. The testing service provider will expect the following from each candidate:

- Applicant shall review the most recent candidate information bulletin found on the testing service provider's web site.
- Applicant shall complete the online application.
- Applicant shall take and pass the written and practical Registered Cosmetologist/Nail Technician/Esthetician examination prior to being issued a license to work in South Carolina.

A first time applicant is required to:

- Provide proof of 10th grade or greater education.
- Submit an original certified transcript of school hours earned within 24 months of graduation. (Cosmetologists are required to have 1,500 school hours)
- All school hours greater than 24 months are null and void if you have not passed both NIC exams (theory and practical).

 Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology
Continuing Education Requirements

All persons licensed by the board as hairstylists must show satisfactory evidence of 12 contact hours biennially. Only half of the 12-hour requirement may be completed online. At least 3 hours of instruction shall be in sanitation or health and safety for clients.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

Apprenticeship Programs

South Carolina does not allow apprenticeships to count towards training hours, the only acceptable way to receive credit is to attend a beauty school.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

License Reciprocity and Availability Agreements

Reciprocity is offered in South Carolina. A person currently licensed or certified to practice in another state or territorial possession of the United States, whose license is in good standing, may be issued a license if the person has satisfactorily passed a nationally recognized examination for entry into the profession. In addition, the completed application shall include the applicant's age and they shall have the ability to read, write and comprehend the English language in order to prevent the unlawful use of hazardous and harmful chemicals.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in hairstyling instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application for an instructor's license on a form prescribed by the board.
- Applicant shall hold a high school diploma or a G.E.D. certificate.
- Applicant shall be a licensed cosmetologist.
- Applicant shall have practiced for at least two years or, after receiving a cosmetologist license, has completed 750 hours of instructor training program.
- Applicant shall have received 45 hours of training in a teaching methods course approved by the Board.
- Applicant will pay the required fees.
- Applicant shall pass the instructors examination prescribed by the Board.
Alternately, for specialized theory hours, a person who has a minimum of five years of experience or a bachelor’s degree in a related profession, occupation or cognitive area, may instruct the required theory classes with prior approval by the board.

Any licensed instructor must complete the following continuing education requirements:

- Show satisfactory evidence of twelve contact hours of instruction geared toward teaching biennially.
- Only half of the 12-hour requirement may be completed online.
- If you complete 6 hours online, you must complete 6 hours in-person with the same CE provider in order to gain full credit.

Authority: S.C. Code Ann. § 40-13-20. (2) (a)

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any person interested in becoming a barber must apply for a student permit to train as a barber. Once can either complete 1,500 hours of barber training from an accredited school or complete 12 months of full time training under a licensed barber instructor in a barber shop (Approx. 1,920 hours). Once the required training is completed, a person can contact our office for an application for the examination. The application needs to be completed and returned with a transcript of the total number of hours completed as well as a negative tuberculosis test and the required fee.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners

Exam Requirements

Examinations are administered by Professional Credential Service (PCS). Applicants should contact PCS for applications and information pertaining to the examinations they administer.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for barbers

Authority: South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners
Apprenticeships

South Carolina offers credit to persons who have completed 12 months of full time training under a licensed barber instructor in a barber shop.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners

License Reciprocity and Availability Agreements

Reciprocity is offered in South Carolina as long as persons currently licensed in another meet the following qualifications:

- Applicants must have two notarized statements from two registered or master barbers from the state they are coming from which indicates that they know the applicant has been working as a registered or master barber in that state for at least the preceding calendar year.
- Applicants must have a letter of certification from the state board in the state they are coming from.
- Applicant is required to provide proof of a negative tuberculosis test
- Applicant is required to provide proof of completion of the ninth grade or above.
- Applicant is required to pay the proper fee.

Once these requirements are met the Board will review the application.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Examiners

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barber instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant that is training a student in a shop must have had three years’ experience as a registered barber.
- Applicant must have been examined by the board and determined to be qualified to train a student barber.
- Applicant may not train more than two students at a time if each student has a chair full time.
- Applicant must continue to maintain active licensure as a registered barber or master hair care specialist in addition to renewing their barber instructor license.
- Applicant if found qualified after examination must be issued an instructor’s license.

Authority: S.C. Code Ann. § 40-7-290

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age.
• Applicant shall have completed a 10th grade education or equivalency.
• Applicant shall have completed 450 hours in classes in skin care at a school approved by the Board or comparable training approved by the board.
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation
• Applicant shall take and pass a written and practical exam.
• Applicant will pay the required fees.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

Exam Requirements

The South Carolina Board of Cosmetology requires licensure applicants to pass a nationally recognized examination. The only testing accepted by the Board is the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology. The testing service provider will expect the following from each candidate:

• Applicant shall review the most recent candidate information bulletin found on the testing service provider's web site.
• Applicant shall complete the online application.
• Applicant will be required to take and pass the written and practical Registered Cosmetologist/Nail Technician/Esthetician examination prior to being issued a license to work in South Carolina.

A first time applicant is required to:

• Provide proof of 10th grade or greater education.
• Submit an original certified transcript of school hours earned within 24 months of graduation. (Estheticians are required to have 450 school hours)
• All school hours greater than 24 months are null and void if you have not passed both NIC exams (theory and practical).

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

Continuing Education Requirements

All persons licensed by the board as an esthetician must show satisfactory evidence of 12 contact hours biennially. Only half of the 12-hour requirement may be completed online. At least 3 hours of instruction shall be in sanitation or health and safety for clients.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology
Apprenticeship

South Carolina does not allow apprenticeships to count towards training hours, the only acceptable way to receive credit hours is to attend a beauty school.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

License Reciprocity and Availability Agreements

Reciprocity is offered in South Carolina. A person currently licensed or certified to practice in another state or territorial possession of the United States, whose license is in good standing, may be issued a license if the person has satisfactorily passed a nationally recognized examination for entry into the profession. In addition, the completed application shall include the applicant’s age and they shall have the ability to read, write and comprehend the English language in order to prevent the unlawful use of hazardous and harmful chemicals.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application for an instructor’s license on a form prescribed by the board.
- Applicant shall hold a high school diploma or a G.E.D. certificate.
- Applicant shall be a licensed esthetician.
- Applicant shall have practiced for at least two years or, after receiving an esthetician license, has completed 750 hours of instructor training program.
- Applicant shall have received 45 hours of training in a teaching methods course approved by the board.
- Applicant shall pay the prescribed fee.
- Applicant shall pass the instructors examination prescribed by the board.

Alternately, for specialized theory hours, a person who has a minimum of five years of experience or a bachelor’s degree in a related profession, occupation or cognitive area, may instruct the required theory classes with prior approval by the board.

Any licensed instructor must complete the following continuing education requirements:

- Show satisfactory evidence of twelve contact hours of instruction geared toward teaching biennially.
- Only half of the 12-hour requirement may be completed online.
- If you complete 6 hours online, you must complete 6 hours in-person with the same CE provider in order to gain full credit.

Authority: SC. Stats. 35-4, – South Carolina Board of Cosmetology
Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual that wishes to obtain a nail technician license shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age.
- Applicant shall have completed 10th grade education or equivalency by tests used in the public schools or tests approved by the board.
- Applicant shall have completed 300 hours of class work in a nail technician school approved by the Board or comparable training approved by the board.
- Applicant shall submit an application.
- Applicant shall take and pass a written and a practical exam.
- Applicant shall pay the prescribed fee.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

Exam Requirements

The South Carolina Board of Cosmetology requires licensure applicants to pass a nationally recognized examination. The only testing accepted by the Board is the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology. The testing service provider will expect the following from each candidate:

- Applicant shall review the most recent candidate information bulletin found on the testing service provider's web site.
- Applicant shall complete the online application.
- Applicant will be required to take and pass the written and practical Registered Cosmetologist/Nail Technician/Esthetician examination prior to being issued a license to work in South Carolina.

A first time applicant is required to:

- Provide proof of 10th grade or greater education.
- Submit an original certified transcript of school hours earned within 24 months of graduation. (Nail Technicians are required to have 300 school hours).
- All school hours greater than 24 months are null and void if you have not passed both NIC exams (theory and practical).

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

Continuing Education Requirements

All persons licensed by the board as a nail technician must show satisfactory evidence of 12 contact hours biennially. Only half of the 12-hour requirement may be completed online. At least 3 hours of instruction shall be in sanitation or health and safety for clients.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology
Apprenticeship

South Carolina does not allow apprenticeships to count towards training hours, the only acceptable way to receive credit hours is to attend a beauty school.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

License Reciprocity and Availability Agreements

Reciprocity is offered in South Carolina. A person currently licensed or certified to practice in another state or territorial possession of the United States, whose license is in good standing, may be issued a license if the person has satisfactorily passed a nationally recognized examination for entry into the profession. In addition, the completed application shall include the applicant’s age and they shall have the ability to read, write and comprehend the English language in order to prevent the unlawful use of hazardous and harmful chemicals.

Authority: South Carolina Board of Cosmetology

Instructors

A license to teach nail technology may be issued by the board to any person who:

- Applicant shall submit an application for an instructor’s license on a form prescribed by the board.
- Applicant shall hold a high school diploma or a G.E.D. certificate.
- Applicant shall be a licensed nail technician.
- Applicant shall have practiced for at least two years or, after receiving a nail technician’s license, has completed 750 hours of instructor training program.
- Applicant shall have received 45 hours of training in a teaching methods course approved by the board.
- Applicant shall pay the prescribed fee.
- Applicant shall pass the instructors examination prescribed by the Board.

Alternately, for specialized theory hours, a person who has a minimum of five years of experience or a bachelor’s degree in a related profession, occupation or cognitive area, may instruct the required theory classes with prior approval by the board.

Any licensed instructor must complete the following continuing education requirements:

- Show satisfactory evidence of twelve contact hours of instruction geared toward teaching biennially.
- Only half of the 12-hour requirement may be completed online.
- If you complete 6 hours online, you must complete 6 hours in-person with the same CE provider in order to gain full credit.

Authority: SC. Stats. 35-4. – South Carolina Board of Cosmetology
Make-up Artists

Make-up artists are regulated under the Cosmetology Board.

Authority: S.C. Code Ann. § 40-13-20. (2) (b)

Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Services are not allowed in South Carolina.

Authority: S.C. Code Ann. § 40-13-300

High School Cosmetology Classes

South Carolina offers cosmetology classes through vocational schools. 8 units of credit are required for completion.

Authority: South Carolina Cosmetology Board

Additional Professions Licensed

Tattoo Artists

Body Piercer

Hair Braider
SOUTH DAKOTA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant shall be 18 years or older;
- The applicant provides evidence of high school or GED completion;
- The applicant completes the required hours of study from a licensed cosmetology school; or
- The applicant completes the required hours of study in an apprentice salon;
- The applicant passes three examinations;
- The applicant pays the required fees.

Authority: Licensing Requirements, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant completes 2,100 hours of cosmetology education in a licensed South Dakota school; or
- The applicant completed 3,000 hours of education in a licensed apprentice salon;
- The applicant submits to the commission the Exam and Temporary License Application Form;
- The applicant shall pass the NIC national written examination, NIC national practical examination and South Dakota state laws/rules.
- The applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Licensing Requirements, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for Cosmetologists. Licenses should be renewed on or before the licensee's birthday. Senior Instructors are expected to complete 12 hours of continuing education in order to renew their license.

Authority: License Renewal, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission

Apprenticeship Programs

Cosmetology licenses can be achieved through hours of study as an apprentice in South Dakota. The applicant must first be licensed as an apprentice and then complete 3,000 hours of study in a licensed apprentice salon.

Authority: S.D. Codified Laws § 36-15-45

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To be licensed by reciprocity in South Dakota the following requirements must be met:
• The applicant must provide proof that they are 18 years of age or older;
• The applicant must provide proof that they are a high school graduate or equivalent;
  o If out of the country, the applicant will need to have their education translated and evaluated by Aequo International;
• The applicant’s license must have been achieved with the same number of hours required by the state; or
• Two hours of work experience are equal to one hour of education, so these hours may be added if an applicant has insufficient education;
• The applicant must take and pass the South Dakota Laws and Rules test;
• The applicant must provide proof of passing out of state theory and practical examinations;
• The applicant must pay the required fee.

Authority: Reciprocity Licensing, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission

Instructors

An individual wishing to practice as an instructor in South Dakota must first be licensed as a Junior Instructor and after completing the hours of instructor education may receive a Senior Instructor License. The following requirements must be met:
• Possess a current cosmetologist license;
• Complete at least 1,000 hours of salon experience;
• Show completion of a minimum 12 clock hour instructor education course(s) that were pre-approved by the Commission;
• Complete a 1,000 clock-hour approved instructor education program;
• Pass the South Dakota Instructor Laws/Rules written test;
• Submit the Instructor License Application with initial fee.

Authority: Instructions on Obtaining a South Dakota Instructors License

Stylists

Stylists are licensed under cosmetology.

Authority: S.D. Codified Laws § 36-15-2

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall meet the following qualifications:
• The applicant is at least eighteen years of age;
• The applicant has completed the required number of hours in a licensed school;
• The applicant has passed a satisfactory examination conducted by the Board of Barber Examiners;
• The applicant pays the required fees.

Authority: S.D. Codified Laws § 36-14-13
Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant shall complete a program of study of no less than 1,500 hours;
- The applicant shall take the practical and written examinations;
- The passing score on each examination is a 75%;
- The applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: S.D. Admin. R. 20:39:04:03

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. All barber, apprentice barber and barbershop licenses must be renewed each year by June 30.

Authority: Licensing, South Dakota Board of Barbering Examiners

Apprenticeship Programs

Education must be received in a licensed school of barbering.

Authority: S.D. Codified Laws § 36-14-17

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Any person who is at least eighteen years of age may transfer a barber license or registration to South Dakota if the applicant has:

- A license or certificate of registration as a barber from another state or country that has substantially the same requirements for licensing; or
- If an applicant applying to transfer a barber license or registration has less than 1,500 hours of instruction, the applicant shall receive an additional 50 of credit for each month the applicant has practiced as a licensed barber in the other state or country; or
- Can prove by affidavits that the applicant has practiced as a barber in another state or country for at least five years.

After a qualified applicant pays the required fee, the Board of Barber Examiners shall issue a certificate of registration to practice barbering.

Authority: S.D. Codified Laws § 36-14-14

Instructors

The board of barber examiners shall license temporary barber college instructors. Each license is valid for not more than 30 days. Each applicant shall appear before the board for examination. Each applicant must be a person of good, sound character and have been a registered barber for at least two years immediately prior to the examination for a license as a temporary barber college instructor.

Authority: S.D. Admin. R. 20:39:03:01.01
Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant shall be 18 years or older;
- The applicant provides evidence of high school or GED completion;
- The applicant completes the required hours of study from a licensed school;
- The applicant passes three examinations;
- The applicant pays the required fees.

Authority: Licensing Requirements, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant completes 600 hours of esthetics education in a licensed South Dakota school;
- The applicant submits to the commission the Exam and Temporary License Application Form;
- The applicant shall pass the NIC national written examination, NIC national practical examination and South Dakota state laws/rules.
- The applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Licensing Requirements, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for Estheticians. Licenses should be renewed on or before the licensee’s birthday. Senior Instructors are expected to complete 12 hours of continuing education in order to renew their license.

Authority: License Renewal, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission

Apprenticeship Programs

Esthetician licenses cannot be received through apprenticeship. Apprenticeships are only held by those studying cosmetology and nail technology.

Authority: S.D. Codified Laws § 36-15-45

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Estheticians cannot be licensed by reciprocity in South Dakota. The following requirements must be met for an individual to practice in South Dakota after being licensed out of state:

- The applicant must provide proof that they are 18 years of age or older;
- The applicant must provide proof that they are a high school graduate or equivalent;
  - If out of the country, the applicant will need to have their education translated and evaluated by Aequo International;
- The applicant’s license must have been achieved with the same number of hours required by the state; or
- Two hours of work experience are equal to one hour of education, so these hours may be added if an applicant has insufficient education;
- The applicant must take and pass the South Dakota Laws and Rules test;
- The applicant must take the National (NIC) theory examination and National (NIC) hands-on practical examination in South Dakota only;
- The applicant must pay the required fee.

Authority: [Reciprocity Licensing, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission](#)

**Instructors**

An individual wishing to practice as an instructor in South Dakota must first be licensed as a Junior Instructor and after completing the hours of instructor education may receive a Senior Instructor License. The following requirements must be met:

- Possess a current esthetics license;
- Complete at least 1,000 hours of salon experience;
- Show completion of a minimum 12 clock hour instructor education course(s) that were pre-approved by the Commission;
- Complete a 1,000 clock-hour approved instructor education program;
- Pass the South Dakota Instructor Laws/Rules written test;
- Submit the Instructor License Application with initial fee.

Authority: [Instructions on Obtaining a South Dakota Instructors License](#)

**Nail Technicians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant shall be 18 years or older;
- The applicant provides evidence of high school or GED completion;
- The applicant completes the required hours of study from a licensed cosmetology school; or
- The applicant completes the required hours of study in an apprentice salon;
- The applicant passes three examinations;
- The applicant pays the required fees.

Authority: [Licensing Requirements, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission](#)

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant completes 400 hours of education in a licensed South Dakota school; or
- The applicant completed 900 hours of education in a licensed apprentice salon;
- The applicant submits to the commission the Exam and Temporary License Application Form;
- The applicant shall pass the NIC national written examination, NIC national practical examination and South Dakota state laws/rules.
• The applicant shall pay the required fees.

Authority: Licensing Requirements, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements for nail technicians. Licenses should be renewed on or before the licensee’s birthday. Senior Instructors are expected to complete 12 hours of continuing education in order to renew their license.

Authority: License Renewal, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission

Apprenticeship Programs

Nail Technology licenses can be achieved through hours of study as an apprentice in South Dakota. The applicant must first be licensed as an apprentice and then complete 900 hours of study in a licensed apprentice salon.

Authority: S.D. Codified Laws § 36-15-45

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Nail technicians cannot be licensed by reciprocity in South Dakota. The following requirements must be met for an individual to practice in South Dakota after being licensed out of state:

• The applicant must provide proof that they are 18 years of age or older;
• The applicant must provide proof that they are a high school graduate or equivalent;
  o If out of the country, the applicant will need to have their education translated and evaluated by Aequo International;
• The applicant’s license must have been achieved with the same number of hours required by the state; or
• Two hours of work experience are equal to one hour of education, so these hours may be added if an applicant has insufficient education;
• The applicant must take and pass the South Dakota Laws and Rules test;
• The applicant must take the National (NIC) theory examination and National (NIC) hands-on practical examination in South Dakota only;
• The applicant must pay the required fee.

Authority: Reciprocity Licensing, South Dakota Cosmetology Commission

Instructors

An individual wishing to practice as an instructor in South Dakota must first be licensed as a Junior Instructor and after completing the hours of instructor education may receive a Senior Instructor License. The following requirements must be met:

• Possess a current nail technology license;
• Complete at least 1,000 hours of salon experience;
• Show completion of a minimum 12 clock hour instructor education course(s) that were pre-approved by the Commission;
• Complete a 1,000 clock-hour approved instructor education program;
• Pass the South Dakota Instructor Laws/Rules written test;
• Submit the Instructor License Application with initial fee.

Authority: Instructions on Obtaining a South Dakota Instructors License

**Make-up Artists**

Make-up artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

Authority: S.D. Codified Laws § 36-15-1

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

There are currently no rules licensing mobile cosmetology salons. However, mobile barbershops are licensed in South Dakota.

Authority: S.D. Codified Laws § 36-14-31

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

There are no high school cosmetology programs offered in South Dakota. In order to attend a cosmetology school a student must be at least 17 years of age and possess a high school diploma or the equivalent.

Authority: S.D. Codified Laws § 36-15-33

**Additional Professions Licensed**

• Body Piercing
• Massage Therapy
• Tattooing
TENNESSEE

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant shall meet the educational and examination requirements;
- Applicant shall the required hours in practice and theory at a school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall complete an apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall submit an application with the required documents;
- Applicant must submit application along with required fees.

Authority: Tennessee Cosmetologist License

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 1,500 hours of course study; or
- Applicant must complete 750 hours in a school and then complete an apprenticeship;
- Applicant must pass written theory and practical examinations;
- Applicants must score a 70% or greater to pass the examinations;
- Applicant shall pay the required fees;

Applicant can register for examinations online by accessing PSI’s registration Web site at www.psiexams.com. Applicant’s education provider will provide eligibility, electronically, to PSI upon successful completion of the course requirements.

Authority: Tennessee Cosmetology Examination Candidate Information Bulletin

Continuing Education Requirements

Cosmetology Licenses in Tennessee do not have continuing education requirements. However, Instructors must complete a cosmetology instructor training program of at least 16 hours duration every two years at a session approved by the board. Renewal notices are mailed approximately one month prior to renewal date.

Authority: Tennessee Cosmetologist License

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Tennessee shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Applicant is required to be a student enrolled as an apprentice student;
- Applicant must first complete 750 classroom hours in a licensed school;
- Applicant must pass the theory exam;
Applicant then may engage in an apprenticeship with a pre-approved (with the school) salon/mentor who will log and report hours and student progress to the school;

Applicant cannot enroll as a traditional student and then transfer to the apprentice program;

The mentor must have been licensed for a minimum of 10 years and be in good standing;

The mentor, or supervising professional can only take on one student at a time;

The shop must post a sign that apprentice students practice in the shop (at least 8X10) but it is not limited to the number of apprentices, only that each one is under one "supervising professional";

The student must have their own work space.

Authority: Tennessee Cosmetology/Barber Apprenticeship Program

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Applicant can complete application online by going to: https://core.tn.gov;
- Applicant must have 1500 school hours completed;
- If applicant does not meet the minimum hourly requirements and cannot provide 5 years work experience immediately prior to the application date, they will be presented to the board at the next available board meeting;
- Applicant may be required to complete additional hours in order to meet licensure requirements;
- If the State the applicant was licensed in did not require a State theory and practical exam, they will be required to take one or both.

Authority: Tennessee Cosmetology Reciprocity Instructions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must hold a valid license as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent;
- Applicant must complete a board-approved course in instructor training of at least 300 hours within a period of six months as an instructor trainee; or
- Applicant must complete service as a junior instructor for a minimum of one year;
- Applicant must pass a Written and practical examination;

Authority: Tennessee Cosmetology Instructor Requirements

Natural Hair Stylists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in natural hair styling shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant shall meet the educational and examination requirements;
- Applicant shall the required hours in practice and theory at a school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall complete an apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall submit an application with the required documents;
- Applicant must submit application along with required fees.

*Authority:* [Tennessee Natural Hair Stylist License](https://core.tn.gov)

### Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 300 hours of course study;
- Applicant must pass written theory and practical examination;
- The theory test can be taken online;
- The practical test cannot be taken online or by paper and pencil;
- Applicant must be pre-approved to take the examination;
- Applicant’s education provider will provide eligibility, electronically, to PSI upon successful completion of the course requirements;
- Applicant can register for examinations online by accessing PSI’s registration Web site at [www.psiexams.com](http://www.psiexams.com).

*Authority:* [Tennessee Cosmetology Examination Candidate Information Bulletin](https://core.tn.gov)

### Continuing Education Requirements

Natural Hair Stylist Licenses in Tennessee do not have continuing education requirements. However, Instructors must complete a cosmetology instructor training program of at least 16 hours duration every two years at a session approved by the board. Renewal notices are mailed approximately one month prior to renewal date.

*Authority:* [Tennessee Natural Hair Stylist License](https://core.tn.gov)

### Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeship programs are only offered for Barbers and Cosmetologists.

*Authority:* [Tennessee Cosmetology/Barber Apprenticeship Program](https://core.tn.gov)

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Applicant can complete application online by going to: [https://core.tn.gov](https://core.tn.gov);
- Applicant must have 300 school hours completed;
- If applicant does not meet the minimum hourly requirements and cannot provide 5 years work experience immediately prior to the application date, they will be presented to the board at the next available board meeting;
- Applicant may be required to complete additional hours in order to meet licensure requirements;
- If the State the applicant was licensed in did not require a State theory and practical exam, they will be required to take one or both.
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in natural hair styling instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must hold a valid license as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent;
- Applicant must complete a board-approved course in instructor training of at least 300 hours within a period of six months as an instructor trainee; or
- Applicant must complete service as a junior instructor for a minimum of one year;
- Applicant must pass a Written and practical examination;

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant must have a 12th grade education or equivalent;
- Applicant must complete hours of education at a licensed barber school;
- Applicant must complete an apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall pass the examinations;
- Applicant shall submit an application with the required documents;
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 1,500 hours of course study;
- Applicant must take a written theory exam and a practical exam;
- Applicant must pass the Master Barber Theory Portion of the examination before they can pay the fee and schedule the Master Barber Practical Portion;
- Applicant can register for examinations online by accessing PSI’s registration Web site at www.psiexams.com.

Continuing Education Requirements

Barber Licenses in Tennessee do not have continuing education requirements. However, Instructors must complete a barber instructor training program of at least 16 hours duration every two years at a session approved by the board. Renewal notices are mailed approximately one month prior to renewal date.
Authority: Tennessee Master Barber License

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Tennessee shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Applicant is required to be a student enrolled as an apprentice student;
- Applicant must first complete 750 classroom hours;
- Applicant must pass the theory exam;
- They must then engage in an apprenticeship with a pre-approved (with the school) salon/mentor who will log and report hours and student progress to the school;
- Applicant cannot enroll as a traditional student and then transfer to the apprentice program;
- The mentor must have been licensed for a minimum of 10 years and be in good standing;
- The mentor, or supervising professional can only take on one student at a time;
- The shop must post a sign that apprentice students practice in the shop (at least 8X10) but it is not limited to the number of apprentices, only that each one is under one “supervising professional”;
- The student must have their own work space.

Authority: Tennessee Cosmetology/Barber Apprenticeship Program

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Applicant can complete application online by going to: https://core.tn.gov;
- Applicant must have 1500 school hours completed;
- If applicant does not meet the minimum hourly requirements and cannot provide 5 years work experience immediately prior to the application date, they will be presented to the board at the next available board meeting;
- Applicant may be required to complete additional hours in order to meet licensure requirements;
- If the State the applicant was licensed in did not require a State theory and practical exam, they will be required to take one or both.

Authority: Tennessee Barber Reciprocity Instructions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must hold a valid certificate of registration as a master barber;
- Applicant must have completed the 12th grade or equivalent;
- Applicant should be duly registered as a master barber for a period of at least three years;
- Applicant shall have completed a 450 hour instructor training program at a board certified barber school;
- Applicant must pass the examination prescribed by the board.
Aestheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in aesthetics shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant shall meet the educational and examination requirements;
- Applicant shall complete the required hours in practice and theory at a school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall complete an apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall submit an application with the required documents;
- Applicant must submit application along with required fees.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant must complete 750 hours of course study;
- Applicant must take a written theory exam and a practical exam;
- Applicant must be pre-approved to take the examination. The education provider will provide eligibility, electronically, to PSI upon successful completion of the course requirements;
- The theory test can be taken online;
- The practical test cannot be taken online or by paper and pencil;
- Applicant must pass the Aesthetician Theory Portion of the examination before they can pay the fee and schedule the Aesthetician Practical Portion;
- Applicant must have 3 years to pass both portions to qualify for a license;
- Applicant can register for examinations online by accessing PSI’s registration Web site at www.psiexams.com

Continuing Education Requirements

Aesthetician Licenses in Tennessee do not have continuing education requirements. However, Instructors must complete a cosmetology instructor training program of at least 16 hours duration every two years at a session approved by the board. Renewal notices are mailed approximately one month prior to renewal date.

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeship programs are only offered for Barbers and Cosmetologists.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant can complete application online by going to: [https://core.tn.gov](https://core.tn.gov);
- Applicant must have 750 school hours completed;
- If applicant does not meet the minimum hourly requirements and cannot provide 5 years work experience immediately prior to the application date, they will be presented to the board at the next available board meeting;
- Applicant may be required to complete additional hours in order to meet licensure requirements;
- If the State the applicant was licensed in did not require a State theory and practical exam, they will be required to take one or both.

Authority: [Tennessee Cosmetology Reciprocity Instructions](#)

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant must hold a valid license as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent;
- Applicant must complete a board-approved course in instructor training of at least 300 hours within a period of six months as an instructor trainee; or
- Applicant must complete service as a junior instructor for a minimum of one year;
- Applicant must pass a Written and practical examination;

Authority: [Tennessee Cosmetology Instructor Requirements](#)

Manicurists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant shall meet the educational and examination requirements;
- Applicant shall the required hours in practice and theory at a school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall complete an apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall submit an application with the required documents;
- Applicant must submit application along with required fees.

Authority: [Tennessee Manicurist License](#)

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicant must complete 600 hours of course study.
- Applicant must take a written theory exam and a practical exam.
- Applicant must be pre-approved to take the examination. The education provider will provide eligibility, electronically, to PSI upon successful completion of the course requirements.
- The theory test can be taken online.
- The practical test cannot be taken online or by paper and pencil.
- Applicant must pass the Manicurist Theory Portion of the examination before they can pay the fee and schedule the Manicurist Practical Portion.
- Applicant has 3 years to pass both portions to qualify for a license.
- Applicant can register for examinations online by accessing PSI’s registration Web site at www.psiexams.com

Authority: Tennessee Cosmetology Examination Candidate Information Bulletin

Continuing Education Requirements

Cosmetology Licenses in Tennessee do not have continuing education requirements. However, Instructors must complete a cosmetology instructor training program of at least 16 hours duration every two years at a session approved by the board. Renewal notices are mailed approximately one month prior to renewal date.

Authority: Tennessee Manicurist License

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeship programs are only offered for Barbers and Cosmetologists.

Authority: Tennessee Cosmetology/Barber Apprenticeship Program

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Requirements for Eligibility:
- Applicant can complete application online by going to: https://core.tn.gov
- Applicant must have 600 school hours completed.
- If applicant does not meet the minimum hourly requirements and cannot provide 5 years work experience immediately prior to the application date, they will be presented to the board at the next available board meeting.
- Applicant may be required to complete additional hours in order to meet licensure requirements.
- If the State the applicant was licensed in did not require a State theory and practical exam, they will be required to take one or both.

Authority: Tennessee Cosmetology Reciprocity Instructions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant must hold a valid license as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent;
- Applicant must complete a board-approved course in instructor training of at least 300 hours within a period of six months as an instructor trainee; or
- Applicant must complete service as a junior instructor for a minimum of one year;
- Applicant must pass a written and practical examination;
Authority: Tennessee Cosmetology Instructor Requirements

**Make-up Artists**

Make-up artists are regulated under cosmetology and esthetics.

*Authority: T.C.A. § 62-4-102*

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile cosmetology services are regulated in Tennessee. Requirements for licensure:

- The individual should already have a certificate or license, as applicable, for a fixed-location shop;
- Pay an application fee;
- Pay a $250 initial registration fee;
- Undergo and pass an initial inspection.

*Authority: T.C.A. § 62-4-102(a) "Mobile Shop"*

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

Tennessee does have high school cosmetology programs available. Students are required to complete 1,500 course hours.

*Authority: High School Cosmetology Requirements*

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Body Piercing
- Electrology
- Massage Therapy
- Shampoo Technician
- Tattooing
Texas

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain an operator's license in Texas and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be 17 years of age or older;
- Applicant shall have obtained a high school diploma or equivalent; or
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass a written and a practical examination;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 16 Tex. Admin. Code §83.20 License Requirements--Individuals

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall have completed 1,500 hours of instruction in a beauty culture school; or
- Applicant shall have completed 1,000 hours of instruction in beauty culture courses and 500 hours of related high school courses prescribed by the department in a vocational or career and technical cosmetology program in a public school; or
- Applicant shall have 300 hours of instruction in cosmetology through a commission-approved training program in a beauty culture school and hold an active Class A barber certificate;
- Applicants must pass the written examination before being eligible to take the practical examination;
- Applicants must get a passing grade of 70 or higher on each examination;
- If Applicant passes the exams, the Applicant pays required license fee.

Authority: 16 Texas Admin. Code §83.21 License Requirements--Examinations

Continuing Education Requirements

Cosmetologists in Texas must renew their license every two years from the date the license was issued. To renew an operator license or instructor license, a licensee must complete a total of 4 hours of continuing education through department-approved courses. The continuing education hours must include:

- 1 hour in sanitation; and
- 3 hours in any other approved topic.

Authority: 16 Texas Admin. Code §83.25 License Requirements--Continuing Education
Apprenticeship Programs

The Texas Department of Regulations does not accept training or work experience obtained through an apprenticeship program. Texas law requires that hours of instruction are completed in a licensed beauty school.

Authority: Texas Cosmetology Transferring Your Cosmetology License

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

License holders from other states and territories may be eligible for a Texas license if their state has education and examination requirements substantially equivalent to Texas license requirements. Work experience in certain states may also be credited toward the substantially equivalent requirement. If you hold a license from one of the states or territories listed below, you must also provide a Certified Transcript of Hours as proof of non-apprenticeship training for reciprocity.

**Reciprocity States for Cosmetology with Substantially Equivalent Requirements:**

**Reciprocity States for Cosmetology which Require One Year of Experience:**

**Reciprocity States for Cosmetology which Require Two Years of Experience:**
Florida, New York

Authority: Texas Cosmetology Transferring Your Cosmetology License

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant has a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant holds an active operator license;
- Applicant has completed a course consisting of 750 hours of instruction; or
- Applicant has at least one year of verifiable work experience as a licensed operator; and
  - 500 hours of instruction in cosmetology in a commission approved training program; or
  - completed 15 semester hours in education courses through an accredited college or university within the 10 years before the date of application; or
  - obtained a degree in education from an accredited college or university;
- Applicant must pass a written and a practical examination;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.
Hairstylists

Hairstylists are licensed under Cosmetology.

Authority: Texas Cosmetology Law Definition of Cosmetology

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a Class A barber license in Texas and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 16 years of age;
- Applicant shall have completed the seventh grade or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- Applicant shall pass a written and a practical examination;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 16 Tex. Admin. Code §82.20 License Requirements--Individuals

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall have completed 1,500 hours of instruction in a certified barber school;
- Applicants must pass the written and practical examinations;
- If Applicant passes the exams, the Applicant pays required license fee.

Authority: 16 Tex. Admin. Code §82.21 License Requirements--Examinations

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years by your original licensure date.

Authority: 16 Tex. Admin. Code §82.26 License Requirements--Renewals

Apprenticeship Programs

The Texas Department of Regulations does not accept training or work experience obtained through an apprenticeship program. Texas law requires that hours of instruction are completed in a licensed barber school.

Authority: Texas Barbering Transferring Your Barber License
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

License holders from other states and territories may be eligible for a Texas license if their state has education and examination requirements substantially equivalent to Texas license requirements. If you hold a license from one of the states or territories listed below, you must also provide a Certified Transcript of Hours as proof of non-apprenticeship training for reciprocity.

**Reciprocity States for Barbering with Substantially Equivalent Requirements:**
Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Delaware, District of Columbia, Georgia, Guam, Idaho Master Barber, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire Master Barber, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah Barber/Cosmetologist, Virginia

**Reciprocity States for Barbering which Require One Year of Experience:**
Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Utah/Barber, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin

**Reciprocity States for Barbering which Require Two Years of Experience:**
Connecticut, Florida, Idaho Barber, Massachusetts, New Hampshire Barber, Oregon, Utah Barber, Vermont, Wyoming

*Authority: Texas Barbering Transferring Your Barber License*

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant has a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant holds an active Class A Barber certificate;
- Applicant has completed a course consisting of 750 hours of instruction; or
- Applicant has at least one year of verifiable licensed experience; and
  - 500 hours of instruction in cosmetology in a commission approved training program; or
  - completed 15 semester hours in education courses through an accredited college or university within the 10 years before the date of application; or
  - obtained a degree in education from an accredited college or university;
- Applicant must pass a written and a practical examination;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

*Authority: 16 Tex. Admin. Code §82.20 License Requirements--Individuals*

**Estheticians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to practice as an esthetician shall obtain a license in Texas and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be 17 years of age or older;
Applicant shall have obtained a high school diploma or equivalent; or
Applicant shall have passed a valid examination administered by a certified testing agency that measures the person's ability to benefit from training;
Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
Applicant shall pass a written and a practical examination;
Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 16 Tex. Admin. Code §83.20 License Requirements--Individuals

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall have completed 750 hours of instruction in a beauty culture school;
- Applicants must pass the written examination before being eligible to take the practical examination;
- Applicants must get a passing grade of 70 or higher on each examination;
- If Applicant passes the exams, the Applicant pays required license fee.

Authority: 16 Texas Admin. Code §83.21 License Requirements--Examinations

Continuing Education Requirements

Estheticians in Texas must renew their license every two years from the date the license was issued. To renew a license or instructor license, a licensee must complete a total of 4 hours of continuing education through department-approved courses. The continuing education hours must include:

- 1 hour in sanitation; and
- 3 hours in any other approved topic.

Authority: 16 Texas Admin. Code §83.25 License Requirements--Continuing Education

Apprenticeship Programs

The Texas Department of Regulations does not accept training or work experience obtained through an apprenticeship program. Texas law requires that hours of instruction are completed in a licensed beauty school

Authority: Texas Cosmetology Transferring Your Cosmetology License

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

License holders from other states and territories may be eligible for a Texas license if their state has education and examination requirements substantially equivalent to Texas license requirements. Work experience in certain states may also be credited toward the substantially equivalent requirement. If you hold a license from one of the states or territories listed below, you
must also provide a Certified Transcript of Hours as proof of non-apprenticeship training for reciprocity.

**Reciprocity States for Cosmetology with Substantially Equivalent Requirements:**
Alabama, Georgia, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, Nevada, Tennessee, Utah Master Esthetician

**Reciprocity States for Cosmetology which Require One Year of Experience:**

**Reciprocity States for Cosmetology which Require Two Years of Experience:**
Florida, New York

*Authority: Texas Cosmetology Transferring Your Cosmetology License*

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to get an instructor specialty license shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant has a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant holds an active esthetician, manicurist, or esthetician/manicure license;
- Applicant has completed a course consisting of 750 hours of instruction; or
- Applicant has at least one year of verifiable licensed experience in the specialty in which the applicant is seeking licensure for a specialty instructor license; and
  - 500 hours of instruction in cosmetology in a commission approved training program; or
  - completed 15 semester hours in education courses through an accredited college or university within the 10 years before the date of application; or
  - obtained a degree in education from an accredited college or university;
- Applicant must pass a written and a practical examination;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

*Authority: 16 Tex. Admin. Code §83.20 License Requirements--Individuals*

**Manicurist**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to practice as a manicurist shall obtain a license in Texas and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be 17 years of age or older;
- Applicant shall have obtained a high school diploma or equivalent; or
- Applicant shall have passed a valid examination administered by a certified testing agency that measures the person's ability to benefit from training;
• Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
• Applicant shall pass a written and a practical examination;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

**Authority:** [16 Tex. Admin. Code §83.20 License Requirements--Individuals](#)

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicant shall have completed 600 hours of instruction;
• Applicants must pass the written examination before being eligible to take the practical examination;
• Applicants must get a passing grade of 70 or higher on each examination;
• If Applicant passes the exams, the Applicant pays required license fee.

**Authority:** [16 Texas Admin. Code §83.21 License Requirements--Examinations](#)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

Manicurists in Texas must renew their license every two years from the date the license was issued. To renew a manicure license or instructor license, a licensee must complete a total of 4 hours of continuing education through department-approved courses. The continuing education hours must include:

• 1 hour in sanitation; and
• 3 hours in any other approved topic.

**Authority:** [16 Texas Admin. Code §83.25 License Requirements--Continuing Education](#)

**Apprenticeship Programs**

The Texas Department of Regulations does not accept training or work experience obtained through an apprenticeship program. Texas law requires that hours of instruction are completed in a licensed beauty school.

**Authority:** [Texas Cosmetology Transferring Your Cosmetology License](#)

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

License holders from other states and territories may be eligible for a Texas license if their state has education and examination requirements substantially equivalent to Texas license requirements. Work experience in certain states may also be credited toward the substantially equivalent requirement. If you hold a license from one of the states or territories listed below, you must also provide a Certified Transcript of Hours as proof of non-apprenticeship training for reciprocity.

**Reciprocity States for Cosmetology with Substantially Equivalent Requirements:**
Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Kentucky, Nevada, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Washington

Reciprocity States for Cosmetology which Require One Year of Experience:
Alaska, California, Delaware, District of Columbia, Georgia, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming

Reciprocity States for Cosmetology which Require Two Years of Experience:
Florida, New York

Authority: Texas Cosmetology Transferring Your Cosmetology License

Instructors

Any individual wishing to get an instructor specialty license shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant has a high school diploma or equivalent;
- Applicant holds an active esthetician, manicurist, or esthetician/manicure license;
- Applicant has completed a course consisting of 750 hours of instruction; or
- Applicant has at least one year of verifiable licensed experience in the specialty in which the applicant is seeking licensure for a specialty instructor license; and
  - 500 hours of instruction in cosmetology in a commission approved training program; or
  - completed 15 semester hours in education courses through an accredited college or university within the 10 years before the date of application; or
  - obtained a degree in education from an accredited college or university;
- Applicant must pass a written and a practical examination;
- Applicant must pay the required fees.

Authority: 16 Tex. Admin. Code §83.20 License Requirements--Individuals

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

Authority: Texas Cosmetology Law Definition of Cosmetology

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile salons are legal but must have a GPS. Going into a home or business is not allowed. All services must be performed within the mobile unit.

To be eligible for a mobile shop an applicant must:
- Submit a completed application on a department-approved form;
- Pay the required fee;
- Provide a permanent physical address from which the mobile unit is dispatched and to which the mobile unit is returned when not in use;
- Provide a permanent mailing address where correspondence from the department may be received.

**Authority:** [16 Tex. Admin. Code §83.78 Responsibilities of Mobile Shops](https://www.texas.gov)

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

Texas does regulate high school cosmetology programs. Students may complete 1,000 hours of instruction in beauty culture courses and 500 hours of related high school courses prescribed by the department in a vocational or career and technical cosmetology program in a public school.

**Authority:** [16 Tex. Admin. Code §83.20 License Requirements--Individuals](https://www.texas.gov)

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Body Piercing
- Eye lash extension
- Hair weaving
- Manicurist/Esthetician
- Massage Therapy
- Tattooing
- Wig Specialty
UTAH

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application in a form prescribed by the division.
- Applicants shall pass the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC) Cosmetology Theory and Practical Examinations.
- Applicant shall pay the required fee.
- Applicant shall complete 1,600 hours of training or 2,500 hours in an approved apprenticeship program.
- Applicant shall be of good moral character.

There is no minimum age of licenser in the state of Utah for cosmetologists.

Authority: R156-11a-302a

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall take a theory and practical examination.
- Applicant must get a score of at least 75% as determined by the examination provider in order to pass.
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: R156-11a-302a

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years. An individual may apply for reinstatement of license between two years and five years from the date of license expiration without being required to pass the exams.

Authority: R156-11a-303, R156-11a-308

Apprenticeship Programs

The requirements for an approved cosmetology apprenticeship include:

- Apprenticeship must consist of not less than 2,500 hours of training.
- Apprenticeship training must be conducted by a supervisor who:
  - is licensed under this chapter as a cosmetologist.
  - Provides one-on-one direct supervision of the cosmetologist apprentice during the apprenticeship program.
- The instructor and apprentice shall keep a daily record, which shall include the hours of theory instruction, the hours of practical instruction, the number and type of client services provided.
performed, and other services which will document the total number of hours of training. The record shall be available to the Division upon request.

Authority: **R156-11a-801**

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

Reciprocity is offered in Utah. To obtain a license in Utah, based on holding a current valid license in another State the following must be completed:

- Applicant shall request a verification of license be sent directly to the Division from the state they are currently licensed in.
- Applicant shall download and complete an application and submit it for review and processing with the required fees included.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation of:
  - Graduation from a licensed or recognized cosmetology/barber school whose curriculum consists of a minimum of 1,600 hours of instruction, or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - Practice as a licensed cosmetologist in a state other than Utah for not less than the number of hours required to equal 1,600 total hours when added to the hours of instruction.

Authority: **R156-11a-302b**

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application in a form prescribed by the division.
- Applicant shall pay the required fee.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation that they are currently licensed as a cosmetologist.
- Applicant shall be of good moral character.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation of completion of:
  - An instructor training program conducted by a licensed or recognized school, as defined by rule, consisting of a minimum of 400 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - On-the-job instructor training program conducted by a licensed instructor at a licensed or recognized school, as defined by rule, consisting of a minimum of 400 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - A minimum of 3,000 hours of experience as a cosmetologist.
- Applicant shall meet the examination requirement established by rule.

Authority: **Utah Code § 58-11a-302**
Hairstylists

Licensing Requirements

Each applicant for licensure as a hair designer shall:
• Submit an application in a form prescribed by the division;
• Pay a fee determined by the department
• Be of good moral character;
• Provide satisfactory documentation of graduation from a licensed or recognized hair design curriculum consisting of a minimum of 1,200 hours of instruction or the equivalent number of credit hours
• Practice as a licensed cosmetologist/barber or hair designer in a state other than Utah for not less than the number of hours required to equal 1,200 total hours

Authority: Utah Code § 58-11a-302(14)

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall take a theory and practical examination.
• Applicant must get a score of at least 75% as determined by the examination provider in order to pass.
• Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: R156-11a-302a

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years. An individual may apply for reinstatement of license between two years and five years from the date of license expiration without being required to pass the exams.

Authority: R156-11a-303, R156-11a-308

Apprenticeship Programs

The requirements for an approved Barber apprenticeship include:
• Apprenticeship must consist of not less than 1,250 hours of training.
• Apprenticeship training must be conducted by a supervisor who:
  o Is licensed under this chapter as a barber.
  o Provides one-on-one direct supervision of the barber apprentice during the apprenticeship program.
• The instructor and apprentice shall keep a daily record, which shall include the hours of theory instruction, the hours of practical instruction, the number and type of client services performed, and other services which will document the total number of hours of training. The record shall be available to the Division upon request.

Authority: R156-11a-705
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in Utah. To obtain a license in Utah, based on holding a current valid license in another State the following must be completed:

- Applicant shall request a verification of license be sent directly to the Division from the state they are currently licensed in.
- Applicant shall download and complete an application and submit it for review and processing with the required fees included.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation of:
  - Graduation from a licensed or recognized barber school whose curriculum consists of a minimum of 1,000 hours of instruction, or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - Practice as a licensed cosmetologist in a state other than Utah for not less than the number of hours required to equal 1,000 total hours when added to the hours of instruction.

Authority: Utah Code Cosmetology and Associated Professions Licensing Act

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barber instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application in a form prescribed by the division.
- Applicant shall pay the required fee.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation that they are currently licensed as a barber.
- Applicant shall be of good moral character.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation of completion of:
  - An instructor training program conducted by a licensed or recognized school, as defined by rule, consisting of a minimum of 250 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - On-the-job instructor training conducted by a licensed instructor at a licensed or recognized school, as defined by rule, consisting of a minimum of 250 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - A minimum of 2,000 hours of experience as a barber.
- Applicant shall meet the examination requirement established by rule.

Authority: Utah Code Cosmetology and Associated Professions Licensing Act

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in Barbering shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application in a form prescribed by the division.
- Applicants shall pass the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC) Barber Theory and Practical Examinations.
- Applicant shall pay the required fee.
 Applicant shall submit documentation of education equivalency from a foreign school education to a Utah licensed Barber school. The documentation shall be an education or credential evaluation from one of the following approved credential evaluation services:
  o Educational Credential Evaluators Incorporated.
• Applicant shall complete 1,000 hours of training or 1,250 hours in an approved apprenticeship program.
• Applicant shall be of good moral character.

There is no minimum age of licenser in the state of Utah for Barbers.

Authority: R156-11a-302a

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall take a theory and practical examination.
• Applicant must get a score of at least 75% as determined by the examination provider in order to pass.
• Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: R156-11a-302a

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years. An individual may apply for reinstatement of license between two years and five years from the date of license expiration without being required to pass the exams.

Authority: R156-11a-303, R156-11a-308

Apprenticeship Programs

The requirements for an approved Barber apprenticeship include:
• Apprenticeship must consist of not less than 1,250 hours of training.
• Apprenticeship training must be conducted by a supervisor who:
  o Is licensed under this chapter as a barber.
  o Provides one-on-one direct supervision of the barber apprentice during the apprenticeship program.
• The instructor and apprentice shall keep a daily record, which shall include the hours of theory instruction, the hours of practical instruction, the number and type of client services performed, and other services which will document the total number of hours of training. The record shall be available to the Division upon request.

Authority: R156-11a-801
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in Utah. To obtain a license in Utah, based on holding a current valid license in another State the following must be completed:

- Applicant shall request a verification of license be sent directly to the Division from the state they are currently licensed in.
- Applicant shall download and complete an application and submit it for review and processing with the required fees included.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation of:
  - Graduation from a licensed or recognized barber school whose curriculum consists of a minimum of 1,000 hours of instruction, or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - Practice as a licensed cosmetologist in a state other than Utah for not less than the number of hours required to equal 1,000 total hours when added to the hours of instruction.

Authority: R156-11a-302b

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barber instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application in a form prescribed by the division.
- Applicant shall pay the required fee.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation that they are currently licensed as a barber.
- Applicant shall be of good moral character.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation of completion of:
  - An instructor training program conducted by a licensed or recognized school, as defined by rule, consisting of a minimum of 250 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - On-the-job instructor training conducted by a licensed instructor at a licensed or recognized school, as defined by rule, consisting of a minimum of 250 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - A minimum of 2,000 hours of experience as a barber.
- Applicant shall meet the examination requirement established by rule.

Authority: Utah Code § 58-11a-302

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application in a form prescribed by the division.
- Applicants shall the NIC Esthetics Theory and Practical Examinations.
- Applicant shall complete 600 hours of training in a 15-week program or 600 hours in an approved apprenticeship program. Applicant shall be of good moral character.

Authority: Utah Code § 58-11a-302 (10)
Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant shall take a theory and practical examination.
• Applicant must get a score of at least 75% as determined by the examination provider in order to pass.
• Applicant must pay any required fees.

Authority: **R156-11a-302a**

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years. An individual may apply for reinstatement of license between two years and five years from the date of license expiration without being required to pass the exams.

Authority: **R156-11a-303, R156-11a-308**

Apprenticeship Programs

The requirements for an approved esthetician apprenticeship include:
• Apprenticeship must consist of not less than 800 hours of training.
• Apprenticeship training must be conducted by a supervisor who:
  o Is licensed under this chapter as a master esthetician.
  o Provides one-on-one direct supervision of the esthetician apprentice during the apprenticeship program.
• The instructor and apprentice shall keep a daily record, which shall include the hours of theory instruction, the hours of practical instruction, the number and type of client services performed, and other services which will document the total number of hours of training. The record shall be available to the Division upon request.

Authority: [Barber, Cosmetologist/Barber, Esthetician, Electrologist, and Nail Technician Licensing Act](#)

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in Utah. To obtain a license in Utah, based on holding a current valid license in another State the following must be completed:
• Applicant shall request a verification of license be sent directly to the Division from the state they are currently licensed in.
• Applicant shall download and complete an application and submit it for review and processing with the required fees included.
• Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation of:
  o Graduation from a licensed or recognized esthetic school or a licensed or recognized cosmetology/barber school whose curriculum consists of not less than 15 weeks of esthetic instruction with a minimum of 600 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  o Completion of an approved esthetician apprenticeship.
Practice as a licensed cosmetologist/barber for not less than the number of hours required to equal 1,600 total hours when added to the hours of instruction.

Authority: R156-11a-302b. Commerce, Occupational and Professional Licensing

Authority: Utah Code Cosmetology and Associated Professions Licensing Act

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application in a form prescribed by the division.
- Applicant shall pay the required fee.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation that they are currently licensed as a master esthetician.
- Applicant shall be of good moral character.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation of completion of:
  - An instructor training program conducted by a licensed or recognized school, as defined by rule, consisting of a minimum of 300 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - On-the-job instructor training conducted by a licensed instructor at a licensed or recognized school, as defined by rule, consisting of a minimum of 300 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours
  - A minimum of 1,000 hours of experience in esthetics.
- Applicant shall meet the examination requirement established by rule.

Authority: Utah Code Cosmetology and Associated Professions Licensing Act

Nail Technician

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to become a nail technician shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application in a form prescribed by the division.
- Applicants shall pass the NIC Nail Technology Theory and Practical Examinations.
- Applicant shall complete 300 hours of training or 375 hours in an approved apprenticeship program.
- Applicant shall be of good moral character.

There is no minimum age of licenser in the state of Utah for nail technicians.

Authority: Utah Code § 58-11a-302 (17)

Exam Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall take a theory and practical examination.
- Applicant must get a score of at least 75% as determined by the examination provider in order to pass.
- Applicant must pay any required fees.

*Authority:* [R156-11a-302a](#)

### Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every two years. An individual may apply for reinstatement of license between two years and five years from the date of license expiration without being required to pass the exams.

*Authority:* [R156-11a-303, R156-11a-308](#)

### Apprenticeship Programs

The requirements for an approved esthetician apprenticeship include:

- Apprentice must consist of not less than 375 hours of training.
- Apprentice training must be conducted by a supervisor who:
  - Is licensed under this chapter as a nail technician.
  - Provides one-on-one direct supervision of the nail technician apprentice during the apprenticeship program.
- The instructor and apprentice shall keep a daily record, which shall include the hours of theory instruction, the hours of practical instruction, the number and type of client services performed, and other services which will document the total number of hours of training. The record shall be available to the Division upon request.

*Authority:* [Barber, Cosmetologist/Barber, Esthetician, Electrologist, and Nail Technician Licensing Act](#)

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is offered in Utah. To obtain a license in Utah, based on holding a current valid license in another State the following must be completed:

- Applicant shall request a verification of license be sent directly to the Division from the state they are currently licensed in.
- Applicant shall download and complete an application and submit it for review and processing with the required fees included.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation of:
  - Graduation from a licensed or recognized nail technology school, or a licensed or recognized cosmetology/barber school, whose curriculum consists of not less than 300 hours of instruction, or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - Graduation from a recognized nail technology school located in a state other than Utah whose curriculum consists of no less than 300 hours of instruction or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - Practice as a licensed nail technician in a state other than Utah for not less than the number of hours required to equal 300 total hours when added to the hours of instruction.
  - Completion of an approved nail technician apprenticeship.

*Authority:* [R156-11a-302b](#)
Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technician instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall submit an application in a form prescribed by the division.
- Applicant shall pay the required fee.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation that they are currently licensed as a nail technician.
- Applicant shall be of good moral character.
- Applicant shall provide satisfactory documentation of completion of:
  - An instructor training program conducted by a licensed or recognized school, as defined by rule, consisting of a minimum of 75 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - On-the-job instructor training program conducted by a licensed instructor at a licensed or recognized school, as defined by rule, consisting of a minimum of 75 hours or the equivalent number of credit hours.
  - A minimum of 600 hours of experience in nail technology.
- Applicant shall meet the examination requirement established by rule.

Authority: Utah Code Cosmetology and Associated Professions Licensing Act

Make-up Artists

A license is not required to work professionally as a Makeup Artist.

Authority: Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile salons are governed at the local level.

High School Cosmetology Programs

Utah offers high school cosmetology programs through the Skilled and Technical Sciences Education program.

Authority: Utah Skilled and Technical Sciences Education

Additional Professions Licensed

- Electrologist
- Massage Therapist
Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the Vermont Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant shall have a high school or general educational development diploma;
- Applicant shall have completed an accredited cosmetology school program or apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall provide evidence that the applicant has passed the Board-approved examination with the Professional Credential Services (PCS);
- Upon completion of exam, Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 278. Qualifications; cosmetologist

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicant shall complete 1,500 hours at a school of cosmetology; or
- Applicant shall complete 2,000 hours in an apprenticeship;
- Upon approval / determination of eligibility, applicant schedules a written examination and practical examination PCS;
- If applicant passes the exams, applicant pays required license fee.

Authority: Vermont Barbers and Cosmetologists Examination Information

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every odd numbered year on November 30th.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 286. Renewal and reinstatement

Apprenticeship Programs

After registering as an apprentice, the Applicant shall apprentice for no less than 12 months and not more than 36 months while receiving between 2,000 and 3,000 hours of instruction in a manner prescribed by the Board.

Each apprentice shall receive their instruction from a supervising licensee in good standing who has been licensed and in active practice for a minimum of 5 consecutive full-time years immediately prior to the time of the apprenticeship. The supervising licensee is permitted to supervise only an apprentice seeking the same license which the supervisor possesses.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 278. Qualifications; cosmetologist
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Vermont does not have reciprocity. To obtain a license in Vermont, based on holding a current valid license in another jurisdiction, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

The Board may issue a license to an individual who is currently licensed or certified in another jurisdiction in good standing, provided the individual has either been in active practice for at least three years immediately preceding application, or has 2,000 documented hours of practice in not less than one year.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 278. Licenses from other jurisdictions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Have 3 full-time years of experience; or
- Possess sufficient teacher education and experience to permit the Board to determine that the instructor applicant’s background is equal to those of a practitioner with three years of experience;
- Be licensed in each profession under these rules which they teach;
- Pass a theory and a state law examination approved by the Board for each profession taught within a year;
- Take a minimum of 24 hours of professional education approved by the Board per licensing period beginning the first full period after an instructor's endorsement is issued with no fewer than 6 hours dedicated to teaching, the rest being in their licensed profession.


Hairstylists

Hairstylists are licensed under Barbering and Cosmetology.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 271. Definitions

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with the Vermont Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant shall have a high school or general educational development diploma;
- Applicant shall have completed an accredited barbering school program or apprenticeship;
- Applicant shall provide evidence that the applicant has passed the Board-approved examination with the Professional Credential Services (PCS);
- Upon completion of exam, Applicant shall pay any required fees.
**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
- Applicant shall have completed an accredited barbering school program or apprenticeship;
- Upon approval/determination of eligibility, applicant schedules a written examination and practical examination PCS;
- If applicant passes the exams, applicant pays required license fee.

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every odd numbered year on September 30th.

**Apprenticeship Programs**

After registering as an apprentice, the Applicant shall apprentice for no less than 12 months and not more than 36 months while receiving between 2,000 and 3,000 hours in a manner prescribed by the Board.

Each apprentice shall receive their instruction from a supervising licensee in good standing who has been licensed and in active practice for a minimum of 5 consecutive full-time years immediately prior to the time of the apprenticeship. The supervising licensee is permitted to supervise only an apprentice seeking the same license which the supervisor possesses.

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

Vermont does not have reciprocity. To obtain a license in Vermont, based on holding a current valid license in another jurisdiction, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

The Board may issue a license to an individual who is currently licensed or certified in another jurisdiction in good standing, provided the individual has either been in active practice for at least three years immediately preceding application, or has 2,000 documented hours of practice in not less than one year.

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Have 3 full-time years of experience; or
• Possess sufficient teacher education and experience to permit the Board to determine that the instructor applicant’s background is equal to those of a practitioner with three years of experience;
• Be licensed in each profession under these rules which they teach;
• Pass a theory and a state law examination approved by the Board for each profession taught within a year;
• Take a minimum of 24 hours of professional education approved by the Board per licensing period beginning the first full period after an instructor’s endorsement is issued with no fewer than 6 hours dedicated to teaching, the rest being in their licensed profession.


Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to be licensed as an esthetician shall obtain a license in compliance with the Vermont Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
• Applicant shall have a high school or general educational development diploma;
• Applicant shall have completed an accredited esthetics school program or apprenticeship;
• Applicant shall provide evidence that the applicant has passed the Board-approved examination with the Professional Credential Services (PCS);
• Upon completion of exam, Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 279. Qualifications; esthetician

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant has completed 600 hours at a school of cosmetology; or
• Applicant has completed 800 hours in an apprenticeship;
• Upon approval / determination of eligibility, applicant schedules a written examination and practical examination PCS;
• If applicant passes the exams, applicant pays required license fee.

Authority: Vermont Barbers and Cosmetologists Examination Information

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every odd numbered year on November 30th.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 286. Renewal and reinstatement
Apprenticeship Programs

After registering as an apprentice, the Applicant shall apprentice for no less than 12 months and not more than 18 months while receiving between 800 and 1,200 hours in a manner prescribed by the Board.

Each apprentice shall receive their instruction from a supervising licensee in good standing who has been licensed and in active practice for a minimum of 5 consecutive full-time years immediately prior to the time of the apprenticeship. The supervising licensee is permitted to supervise only an apprentice seeking the same license which the supervisor possesses.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 279. Qualifications; esthetician

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Vermont does not have reciprocity. To obtain a license in Vermont, based on holding a current valid license in another jurisdiction, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

The Board may issue a license to an individual who is currently licensed or certified in another jurisdiction in good standing, provided the individual has either been in active practice for at least three years immediately preceding application, or has 2,000 documented hours of practice in not less than one year.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 278. Licenses from other jurisdictions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetician instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Have 3 full-time years of experience; or
- Possess sufficient teacher education and experience to permit the Board to determine that the instructor applicant's background is equal to those of a practitioner with three years of experience;
- Be licensed in each profession under these rules which they teach;
- Pass a theory and a state law examination approved by the Board for each profession taught within a year;
- Take a minimum of 24 hours of professional education approved by the Board per licensing period beginning the first full period after an instructor's endorsement is issued with no fewer than 6 hours dedicated to teaching, the rest being in their licensed profession.


Nail Technicians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to be licensed as a nail technician shall obtain a license in compliance with the Vermont Statutes and shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age;
• Applicant shall have a high school or general educational development diploma;
• Applicant shall have completed an accredited nail technology school program or apprenticeship;
• Applicant shall provide evidence that the applicant has passed the Board-approved examination with the Professional Credential Services (PCS);
• Upon completion of exam, Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 280, Qualifications; nail technician

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicant has completed 400 hours at a school of cosmetology; or
• Applicant shall complete 600 hours of apprenticeship;
• Upon approval/determination of eligibility, applicant schedules a written examination and practical examination PCS;
• If applicant passes the exams, applicant pays required license fee.

Authority: Vermont Barbers and Cosmetologists Examination Information

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire every odd numbered year on November 30th.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 286, Renewal and reinstatement

Apprenticeship Programs

After registering as an apprentice, the Applicant shall apprentice for no less than 6 months and not more than 12 months while receiving between 600 and 900 hours in a manner prescribed by the Board.

Each apprentice shall receive their instruction from a supervising licensee in good standing who has been licensed and in active practice for a minimum of 5 consecutive full-time years immediately prior to the time of the apprenticeship. The supervising licensee is permitted to supervise only an apprentice seeking the same license which the supervisor possesses.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 280, Qualifications; nail technician

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Vermont does not have reciprocity. To obtain a license in Vermont, based on holding a current valid license in another jurisdiction, an Applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. The previous license must have been received through substantially equivalent means.

The Board may issue a license to an individual who is currently licensed or certified in another jurisdiction in good standing, provided the individual has either been in active practice for at least
three years immediately preceding application, or has 2,000 documented hours of practice in not less than one year.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 278. Licenses from other jurisdictions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technician instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Have 3 full-time years of experience; or
- Possess sufficient teacher education and experience to permit the Board to determine that the instructor applicant's background is equal to those of a practitioner with three years of experience;
- Be licensed in each profession under these rules which they teach;
- Pass a theory and a state law examination approved by the Board for each profession taught within a year;
- Take a minimum of 24 hours of professional education approved by the Board per licensing period beginning the first full period after an instructor's endorsement is issued with no fewer than 6 hours dedicated to teaching, the rest being in their licensed profession.


Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 271. Definitions

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology salons are not permitted in Vermont.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 282. Shop; license

High School Cosmetology Programs

Students must be at least 18 years old and possess a high school diploma or the equivalent in order to obtain a cosmetology license. All schools of Cosmetology within Vermont must be postsecondary schools. However, there are programs in which students can complete the 1500 hours of Cosmetology instruction and obtain a high school diploma at the same time. Upon turning 18 one can then become licensed by the Board.

Authority: 26 V.S.A. § 281. Postsecondary school of barbering and cosmetology; certificate of approval

Additional Professions Licensed

- Body Piercing
Electrology
Tattooing

Massage Therapy is not licensed in Vermont.
VIRGINIA

Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements
Any individual wishing to engage in barbering, cosmetology, nail care, or waxing shall obtain a license in compliance with §54.1-703 of the Code of Virginia and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be in good standing as a cosmetologist in Virginia;
- Applicant shall disclose any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions including monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender;
- Applicant shall disclose if he/she has been previously licensed in Virginia as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant shall disclose physical address (no post office boxes);
- Applicant shall sign application acknowledging understanding of Virginia license laws;
- Applicant shall disclose all misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within 2 years of date of application and all felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application;
- Applicant shall provide evidence that the applicant has passed the board-approved examination.

Authority: 18VAC41-20-20. General Requirements for a Barber, Cosmetologist, Nail Technician, or Wax Technician License

Exam Requirements
- Applicant creates online account, completes exam application, and submits exam fee online;
- Upon approval / determination of eligibility, applicant schedules a WRITTEN examination and PRACTICAL (hands-on) examination with Professional Credential Services (PCS);
- If applicant passes exam(s), applicant pays required license fee.

Authority: Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation

Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire two years from the last day of the month in which it was issued at which time it must be renewed.

Authority: 18 VAC 41-20-160. License renewal required.

Apprenticeship Programs
Owners of barbershops, cosmetology salons, and nail salons who train apprentices shall comply with the standards for apprenticeship training established by the Division of Apprenticeship Training of the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry.
A cosmetology apprenticeship has a term of 3000 hours. For more information contact Virginia Department of Labor and Industry

**Authority:** 18 VAC 41-20-40. Apprenticeship training

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**
To obtain a license in Virginia based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. Examination requirements for licensure by endorsement are based on examinations previously completed in other states.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- 1,500 hours of training; or
- 1200-1499 hours of training (at least 80% of the required hours in Virginia) and six (6) months of full time work experience; or
- 1000-1199 hours of training and completion of the ‘general’ or ‘intro’ portions of the curriculum of an approved Virginia program (as provided below) and six (6) months of full time work experience.
- Any amount less than 1000 hours of training outside of Virginia will not count towards eligibility for examination.

**Authority:** Board for Barbers and Cosmetology Guidance Document

**Instructors**
Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall be in good standing as a licensed cosmetologist in Virginia and all other jurisdictions where licensed;
- Applicant shall disclose any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions including monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender;
- Applicant shall disclose if he/she has been previously licensed in Virginia as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant shall disclose all misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within 2 years of date of application and all felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application;
- Applicant shall pass a course in teaching techniques at the post-secondary level;
- Applicant shall pass an instructor training course approved by the Virginia Board for Barbers and Cosmetology under the supervision of a certified cosmetologist;
- Applicant shall pass an examination in cosmetology administered by the board

**Authority:** 18 VAC 41-20-100. General requirements for a barber instructor certificate, cosmetology
Stylists

Licensing Requirements
Any individual wishing to engage in barbering, cosmetology, nail care, or waxing shall obtain a license in compliance with §54.1-703 of the Code of Virginia and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be in good standing as a cosmetologist in Virginia;
- Applicant shall disclose any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions including monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender;
- Applicant shall disclose if he/she has been previously licensed in Virginia as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant shall disclose physical address (no post office boxes);
- Applicant shall sign application acknowledging understanding of Virginia license laws;
- Applicant shall disclose all misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within 2 years of date of application and all felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application;
- Applicant shall provide evidence that the applicant has passed the board-approved examination.

Authority: 18VAC41-20-20. General Requirements for a Barber, Cosmetologist, Nail Technician, or Wax Technician License

Exam Requirements
- Applicant creates online account, completes exam application, and submits exam fee online;
- Upon approval / determination of eligibility, applicant schedules a WRITTEN examination and PRACTICAL (hands-on) examination with Professional Credential Services (PCS);
- If applicant passes exam(s), applicant pays required license fee.

Authority: Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation

Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire two years from the last day of the month in which it was issued at which time it must be renewed.

Authority: 18 VAC 41-20-160. License renewal required.

Apprenticeship Programs
Owners of barbershops, cosmetology salons, and nail salons who train apprentices shall comply with the standards for apprenticeship training established by the Division of Apprenticeship Training of the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry.

A cosmetology apprenticeship has a term of 3000 hours. For more information contact Virginia Department of Labor and Industry.
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
To obtain a license in Virginia based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. Examination requirements for licensure by endorsement are based on examinations previously completed in other states.

Requirements for Eligibility:

- 1,500 hours of training; or
- 1200-1499 hours of training (at least 80% of the required hours in Virginia) and six (6) months of full time work experience; or
- 1000-1199 hours of training and completion of the ‘general’ or ‘intro’ portions of the curriculum of an approved Virginia program (as provided below) and six (6) months of full time work experience.
- Any amount less than 1000 hours of training outside of Virginia will not count towards eligibility for examination.

Instructors
Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be in good standing as a licensed cosmetologist in Virginia and all other jurisdictions where licensed;
- Applicant shall disclose any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions including monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender;
- Applicant shall disclose if he/she has been previously licensed in Virginia as a cosmetologist;
- Applicant shall disclose all misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within 2 years of date of application and all felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application;
- Applicant shall pass a course in teaching techniques at the post-secondary level;
- Applicant shall pass an instructor training course approved by the Virginia Board for Barbers and Cosmetology under the supervision of a certified cosmetologist;
- Applicant shall pass an examination in cosmetology administered by the board

Barbers
Licensing Requirements
Any individual wishing to engage in barbing, cosmetology, nail care, or waxing shall obtain a license in compliance with §54.1-703 of the Code of Virginia and shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant shall be in good standing as a licensed barber in Virginia;
• Applicant shall disclose any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions including monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender;
• Applicant shall disclose if he/she has been previously licensed in Virginia as a barber;
• Applicant shall disclose physical address (no post office boxes);
• Applicant shall sign application acknowledging understanding of Virginia license laws;
• Applicant shall disclose all misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within 2 years of date of application and all felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application;
• Applicant shall provide evidence that the applicant has passed the board-approved examination.

Authority: 18VAC41-20-20. General Requirements for a Barber, Cosmetologist, Nail Technician, or Wax Technician License

Exam Requirements
• Applicant creates online account, completes exam application, and submits exam fee online;
• Upon approval / determination of eligibility, applicant schedules a WRITTEN examination and PRACTICAL (hands-on) examination with Professional Credential Services (PCS);
• If applicant passes exam(s), applicant pays required license fee.

Authority: Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation

Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire two years from the last day of the month in which it was issued at which time it must be renewed.

Authority: 18 VAC 41-20-160. License renewal required.

Apprenticeship Programs
Owners of barbershops, cosmetology salons, and nail salons who train apprentices shall comply with the standards for apprenticeship training established by the Division of Apprenticeship Training of the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry.

A barber apprenticeship has a term of 3000 hours. For more information contact Virginia Department of Labor and Industry

Authority: 18 VAC 41-20-40. Apprenticeship training

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
To obtain a license in Virginia based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. Examination requirements for licensure by endorsement are based on examinations previously completed in other states.

Requirements for Eligibility:

• 1,500 hours of training; or
- 1200-1499 hours of training (at least 80% of the required hours in Virginia) and six (6) months of full time work experience; or
- 1000-1199 hours of training and completion of the ‘general’ or ‘intro’ portions of the curriculum of an approved Virginia program (as provided below) and six (6) months of full time work experience.
- Any amount less than 1000 hours of training outside of Virginia will not count towards eligibility for examination.

**Authority:** Board for Barbers and Cosmetology Guidance Document

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be in good standing as a licensed barber in Virginia and all other jurisdictions where licensed;
- Applicant shall disclose any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions including monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender;
- Applicant shall disclose if he/she has been previously licensed in Virginia as a barber;
- Applicant shall disclose all misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within 2 years of date of application and all felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application;
- Applicant shall pass a course in teaching techniques at the post-secondary level;
- Applicant shall pass an instructor training course approved by the Virginia Board for Barbers and Cosmetology under the supervision of a certified barber;
- Applicant shall pass an examination in barber administered by the board

**Authority:** 18 VAC 41-20-100. General requirements for a barber instructor certificate, cosmetology

**Estheticians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to become an esthetician or master esthetician shall first obtain a license from the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology in compliance with §54.1-703 of the Code of Virginia and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be in good standing as a licensed esthetician in Virginia;
- Applicant shall disclose any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions including monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender;
- The applicant shall disclose to the board at the time of application for licensure whether he has been previously licensed in Virginia as an esthetician or master esthetician;
- Applicant shall disclose physical address (no post office boxes);
- Applicant shall sign application acknowledging understanding of Virginia license laws;
- Applicant shall disclose all misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within 2 years of date of application and all felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application;
- Applicant shall provide evidence that the applicant has passed the board-approved examination.
Exam Requirements

- Applicant creates online account, completes exam application, and submits exam fee online;
- Upon approval / determination of eligibility, applicant completes a training program, then schedules a WRITTEN examination and PRACTICAL (hands-on) examination with Professional Credential Services (PCS);
- If applicant passes exam(s), applicant pays required license fee.

Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire two years from the last day of the month in which it was issued at which time it must be renewed.

Apprenticeship Programs

Licensed estheticians and master estheticians who train apprentices shall comply with the standards for apprenticeship training established by the Division of Registered Apprenticeship of the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry and the Virginia Board for Barbers and Cosmetology.

As a full-fledged employee of the sponsoring company, a registered apprentice completes a minimum of 2,000 hours of supervised on-the-job training and a minimum of 144 hours of related classroom instruction for each year of apprenticeship. For more information contact Virginia Department of Labor and Industry

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Virginia based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must submit completion of 600 hours of esthetician training which is substantially equivalent to the Virginia program that is obtained outside the Commonwealth of Virginia such as;

Requirements for Eligibility:

- 600 hours of training or equivalent credit hours; such as;
- Minimum 25 hours business topics,
- Minimum 10 hours law and regulations,
- Minimum 80 hours general sciences
- Minimum 95 hours in applied sciences
- Minimum 255 hours in skin care
- Minimum 65 hours in makeup
- Minimum 20 hours body and other treatments
- Minimum 50 hours hair removal
Any amount less than 600 hours of training or equivalent will not count towards eligibility for examination.

An applicant may also submit a certificate, diploma, or other documentation acceptable to the board verifying the completion of a substantially equivalent esthetics course and documentation of six months of work experience as an esthetician in order to be eligible for the esthetician examination.

**Authority:** [Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation](https://www.dpor.virginia.gov/)

### Instructors
Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be in good standing as a licensed esthetician in Virginia and all other jurisdictions where licensed;
- Applicant shall disclose any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions including monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender;
- Applicant shall disclose if he/she has been previously licensed in Virginia as an esthetician;
- Applicant shall disclose all misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within 2 years of date of application and all felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application;
- Applicant shall hold a current Virginia esthetics license
- Applicant shall pass a course in teaching techniques at the post-secondary level;
- Applicant shall pass an instructor training course approved by the Virginia Board for Barbers and Cosmetology under the supervision of a certified esthetics instructor;
- Applicant shall pass an examination in esthetician administered by the board

**Authority:** [Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation](https://www.dpor.virginia.gov/)

### Nail Technicians

**Licensing Requirements**
Any individual wishing to engage in barbering, cosmetology, [nail care](https://www.dpor.virginia.gov/), or waxing shall obtain a license in compliance with §54.1-703 of the Code of Virginia and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall be in good standing as a licensed nail technician in Virginia;
- Applicant shall disclose any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions including monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender;
- Applicant shall disclose if he/she has been previously licensed in Virginia as a nail technician;
- Applicant shall disclose physical address (no post office boxes);
- Applicant shall sign application acknowledging understanding of Virginia license laws;
- Applicant shall disclose all misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within 2 years of date of application and all felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application;
- Applicant shall provide evidence that the applicant has passed the board-approved examination.

**Authority:** [Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation](https://www.dpor.virginia.gov/)

Authority: 18VAC41-20-20. General Requirements for a Barber, Cosmetologist, Nail Technician, or Wax Technician License

Exam Requirements
- Applicant creates online account, completes exam application, and submits exam fee online;
- Upon approval / determination of eligibility, applicant schedules a WRITTEN examination and PRACTICAL (hands-on) examination with Professional Credential Services (PCS);
- If applicant passes exam(s), applicant pays required license fee.

Authority: Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation

Continuing Education Requirements
There are no continuing education requirements. Licenses expire two years from the last day of the month in which it was issued at which time it must be renewed.

Authority: Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation

Apprenticeship Programs
Owners of barbershops, cosmetology salons, and nail salons who train apprentices shall comply with the standards for apprenticeship training established by the Division of Apprenticeship Training of the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry.

A barber apprenticeship has a term of 2000 hours. For more information contact Virginia Department of Labor and Industry

Authority: 18 VAC 41-20-40. Apprenticeship training

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements
To obtain a license in Virginia based on holding a current valid license in another state, an applicant must submit an Endorsement Application. Examination requirements for licensure by endorsement are based on examinations previously completed in other states.

Requirements for Eligibility:
- 150 hours of training; or
- If less than 150 hours of training, they must also submit a certificate, diploma, or other documentation acceptable to the board verifying the completion of an equivalent nail technician course and documentation of six months of nail technician work experience.

Authority: Board for Barbers and Cosmetology Guidance Document

Instructors
Any individual wishing to engage in nail care instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
- Applicant shall be in good standing as a licensed nail technician in Virginia and all other jurisdictions where licensed;
- Applicant shall disclose any disciplinary action taken in Virginia and all other jurisdictions including monetary penalties, fines, suspensions, revocations, surrender;
• Applicant shall disclose if he/she has been previously licensed in Virginia as a nail technician;
• Applicant shall disclose all misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, sexual offense, drug distribution, or physical injury within 2 years of date of application and all felony convictions within 20 years of the date of application;
• Applicant shall pass a course in teaching techniques at the post-secondary level;
• Applicant shall pass an instructor training course approved by the Virginia Board for Barbers and Cosmetology under the supervision of a certified nail technician;
• Applicant shall pass an examination in nail technician administered by the board.

Authority: 18 VAC 41-20-100. General requirements for a barber instructor certificate, cosmetology

**Make-up Artists**

Make-up artists are exempt from regulation under Virginia law.

Authority: Va. Code Ann. § 54.1-701(10)

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile cosmetology services do not require a license; however owner must obtain the proper cosmetology license and meets all of the state’s regulations in order to operate their mobile unit. In Virginia mobile units are just considered to be offsite services.

Authority: Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

There are no rules in Virginia prohibiting high school students from enrolling in a cosmetology program. Programs are offered on the high school level. For more information contact: Virginia Department of Education

**Additional Professions Licensed**

• Wax Technician
• Tattooists
• Body Piercer
• Massage Therapy
Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with Washington Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant must be at least 17 years of age or older;
• Applicant must have completed and graduated from a licensed school; or
• Applicant must have successfully completed a state-approved apprenticeship program;
• Applicant must have received a passing grade on the examinations;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Applicants currently licensed under this chapter may qualify for examination and licensure, after the required examination is passed, in another category if he or she has completed the crossover training course.

Authority: RCW 18.16.100 Issuance of licenses—Requirements

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicants must complete 1,600 course hours at an approved cosmetology school; or
• Applicant must complete 2,000 hours of apprenticeship;
• Applicants must pass both the written and performance examinations;
• The minimum passing score for both the written and performance examinations in all practices is a scaled score of 75.
• Upon passing examinations, applicants must pay the required fees to receive licensure.

Authority: WAC 308-20-120 Written and performance examinations

Continuing Education Requirements

No continuing education is required for a license renewal. Licenses must be renewed every two years.

Authority: Washington How to renew your license

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Washington shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

• Apprentice must complete a minimum of 2,000 hours;
• A minimum of one trainer per apprentice is required;
• Apprentice theory hours must be taught in a classroom setting under the direct supervision of an instructor licensed in the curriculum for which he or she is providing theory instruction;
• With the exception of theory hours, only those hours of instruction an apprentice is given under the direction of an apprentice trainer shall be credited toward completion of the apprenticeship training;
• Apprentice trainers and instructors must be physically present where apprentices are receiving practical training;
• Certified training hours expire three years from last date of attendance. Any hours earned by an apprentice that are more than three years old are considered by the department to be expired and will not be considered valid towards initial licensure.

Authority: WAC 308-20-101 Apprentice credit for training

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The department shall issue a license to any person who is properly licensed in any state, territory, or possession of the United States, or foreign country if the applicant submits:
  • Application;
  • Fee;
  • Proof that he or she is currently licensed in good standing as a cosmetologist, barber, manicurist, esthetician, master esthetician, instructor, or the equivalent in that jurisdiction;
  • Provides proof that he or she has passed an examination approved by the director.

Authority: WAC 308-20-115 Reciprocity—Persons licensed in other jurisdictions.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
  • The applicant must hold a current license in cosmetology;
  • The applicant must complete an approved cosmetology instructor degree program with a minimum of 500 classroom hours in order to qualify for an instructor license; or
  • The applicant has documented experience as an instructor for more than 500 hours in another state school;
  • Applicant must pass a licensing examination approved or administered by the director;

Authority: RCW 18 16-020. Definitions

Hair Designers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in hair design shall obtain a license in compliance with Washington Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:
  • Applicant must be at least 17 years of age or older;
  • Applicant must have completed and graduated from a licensed school; or
  • Applicant must have successfully completed a state-approved apprenticeship program;
  • Applicant must have received a passing grade on the examinations;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Applicants currently licensed under this chapter may qualify for examination and licensure, after the required examination is passed, in another category if he or she has completed the crossover training course.

Authority: [RCW 18.16.100 Issuance of licenses—Requirements](#)

**Examination Requirements**

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicants must complete 1,400 course hours at an approved cosmetology school; or
• Applicant must complete 1,750 hours of apprenticeship;
• Applicants must pass both the written and performance examinations;
• The minimum passing score for both the written and performance examinations in all practices is a scaled score of 75.
• Upon passing examinations, applicants must pay the required fees to receive licensure.

Authority: [WAC 308-20-120 Written and performance examinations](#)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

No continuing education is required for a license renewal. Licenses must be renewed every two years.

Authority: [Washington How to renew your license](#)

**Apprenticeship Programs**

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Washington shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:
• Apprentice must complete a minimum of 2,000 hours;
• A minimum of one trainer per apprentice is required;
• Apprentice theory hours must be taught in a classroom setting under the direct supervision of an instructor licensed in the curriculum for which he or she is providing theory instruction;
• With the exception of theory hours, only those hours of instruction an apprentice is given under the direction of an apprentice trainer shall be credited toward completion of the apprenticeship training;
• Apprentice trainers and instructors must be physically present where apprentices are receiving practical training;
• Certified training hours expire three years from last date of attendance. Any hours earned by an apprentice that are more than three years old are considered by the department to be expired and will not be considered valid towards initial licensure.

Authority: [WAC 308-20-101 Apprentice credit for training](#)
License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The department shall issue a license to any person who is properly licensed in any state, territory, or possession of the United States, or foreign country if the applicant submits:

- Application;
- Fee;
- Proof that he or she is currently licensed in good standing as a cosmetologist, barber, manicurist, esthetician, master esthetician, instructor, or the equivalent in that jurisdiction;
- Provides proof that he or she has passed an examination approved by the director.

Authority: WAC 308-20-115 Reciprocity—Persons licensed in other jurisdictions.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in hair design instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant must hold a current license in cosmetology;
- The applicant must complete an approved cosmetology instructor degree program with a minimum of 500 classroom hours in order to qualify for an instructor license; or
- The applicant has documented experience as an instructor for more than 500 hours in another state school;
- Applicant must pass a licensing examination approved or administered by the director;

Authority: RCW 18.16.020. Definitions

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with Washington Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age or older;
- Applicant must have completed and graduated from a licensed school; or
- Applicant must have successfully completed a state-approved apprenticeship program;
- Applicant must have received a passing grade on the examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Applicants currently licensed under this chapter may qualify for examination and licensure, after the required examination is passed, in another category if he or she has completed the crossover training course.

Authority: RCW 18.16.100 Issuance of licenses—Requirements

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicants must complete 1,000 course hours at an approved cosmetology school; or
- Applicant must complete 1,200 hours of apprenticeship;
• Applicants must pass both the written and performance examinations;
• The minimum passing score for both the written and performance examinations in all practices is a scaled score of 75.
• Upon passing examinations, applicants must pay the required fees to receive licensure.

Authority: [WAC 308-20-120 Written and performance examinations](#)

### Continuing Education Requirements

No continuing education is required for a license renewal. Licenses must be renewed every two years.

Authority: [Washington How to renew your license](#)

### Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Washington shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

• Apprentice must complete a minimum of 2,000 hours;
• A minimum of one trainer per apprentice is required;
• Apprentice theory hours must be taught in a classroom setting under the direct supervision of an instructor licensed in the curriculum for which he or she is providing theory instruction;
• With the exception of theory hours, only those hours of instruction an apprentice is given under the direction of an apprentice trainer shall be credited toward completion of the apprenticeship training;
• Apprentice trainers and instructors must be physically present where apprentices are receiving practical training;
• Certified training hours expire three years from last date of attendance. Any hours earned by an apprentice that are more than three years old are considered by the department to be expired and will not be considered valid towards initial licensure.

Authority: [WAC 308-20-101 Apprentice credit for training](#)

### License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The department shall issue a license to any person who is properly licensed in any state, territory, or possession of the United States, or foreign country if the applicant submits:

• Application;
• Fee;
• Proof that he or she is currently licensed in good standing as a cosmetologist, barber, manicurist, esthetician, master esthetician, instructor, or the equivalent in that jurisdiction;
• Provides proof that he or she has passed an examination approved by the director.

Authority: [WAC 308-20-115 Reciprocity—Persons licensed in other jurisdictions](#)
**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant must hold a current license in cosmetology;
- The applicant must complete an approved cosmetology instructor degree program with a minimum of 500 classroom hours in order to qualify for an instructor license; or
- The applicant has documented experience as an instructor for more than 500 hours in another state school;
- Applicant must pass a licensing examination approved or administered by the director;

*Authority: [RCW 18 16-020. Definitions](#)*

**Estheticians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with Washington Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age or older;
- Applicant must have completed and graduated from a licensed school; or
- Applicant must have successfully completed a state-approved apprenticeship program;
- Applicant must have received a passing grade on the examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Applicants currently licensed under this chapter may qualify for examination and licensure, after the required examination is passed, in another category if he or she has completed the crossover training course.

*Authority: [RCW 18.16.100 Issuance of licenses—Requirements](#)*

**Examination Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicants must complete 750 course hours at an approved cosmetology school; or
- Applicant must complete 800 hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicants must pass both the written and performance examinations;
- The minimum passing score for both the written and performance examinations in all practices is a scaled score of 75.
- Upon passing examinations, applicants must pay the required fees to receive licensure.

*Authority: [WAC 308-20-120 Written and performance examinations](#)*
Continuing Education Requirements

No continuing education is required for a license renewal. Licenses must be renewed every two years.

Authority: Washington How to renew your license

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Washington shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

• Apprentice must complete a minimum of 2,000 hours;
• A minimum of one trainer per apprentice is required;
• Apprentice theory hours must be taught in a classroom setting under the direct supervision of an instructor licensed in the curriculum for which he or she is providing theory instruction;
• With the exception of theory hours, only those hours of instruction an apprentice is given under the direction of an apprentice trainer shall be credited toward completion of the apprenticeship training;
• Apprentice trainers and instructors must be physically present where apprentices are receiving practical training;
• Certified training hours expire three years from last date of attendance. Any hours earned by an apprentice that are more than three years old are considered by the department to be expired and will not be considered valid towards initial licensure.

Authority: WAC 308-20-101 Apprentice credit for training

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The department shall issue a license to any person who is properly licensed in any state, territory, or possession of the United States, or foreign country if the applicant submits:

• Application;
• Fee;
• Proof that he or she is currently licensed in good standing as a cosmetologist, barber, manicurist, esthetician, master esthetician, instructor, or the equivalent in that jurisdiction;
• Provides proof that he or she has passed an examination approved by the director.

Authority: WAC 308-20-115 Reciprocity—Persons licensed in other jurisdictions.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• The applicant must hold a current license in cosmetology;
• The applicant must complete an approved cosmetology instructor degree program with a minimum of 500 classroom hours in order to qualify for an instructor license; or
• The applicant has documented experience as an instructor for more than 500 hours in another state school;
• Applicant must pass a licensing examination approved or administered by the director;
Manicurist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring shall obtain a license in compliance with Washington Administrative Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must be at least 17 years of age or older;
- Applicant must have completed and graduated from a licensed school; or
- Applicant must have successfully completed a state-approved apprenticeship program;
- Applicant must have received a passing grade on the examinations;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

Applicants currently licensed under this chapter may qualify for examination and licensure, after the required examination is passed, in another category if he or she has completed the crossover training course.

Examination Requirements

Each Individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicants must complete 600 course hours at an approved cosmetology school; or
- Applicant must complete 800 hours of apprenticeship;
- Applicants must pass both the written and performance examinations;
- The minimum passing score for both the written and performance examinations in all practices is a scaled score of 75.
- Upon passing examinations, applicants must pay the required fees to receive licensure.

Continuing Education Requirements

No continuing education is required for a license renewal. Licenses must be renewed every two years.

Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in Washington shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Apprentice must complete a minimum of 2,000 hours;
- A minimum of one trainer per apprentice is required;
• Apprentice theory hours must be taught in a classroom setting under the direct supervision of an instructor licensed in the curriculum for which he or she is providing theory instruction;
• With the exception of theory hours, only those hours of instruction an apprentice is given under the direction of an apprentice trainer shall be credited toward completion of the apprenticeship training;
• Apprentice trainers and instructors must be physically present where apprentices are receiving practical training;
• Certified training hours expire three years from last date of attendance. Any hours earned by an apprentice that are more than three years old are considered by the department to be expired and will not be considered valid towards initial licensure.

Authority: WAC 308-20-101 Apprentice credit for training

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

The department shall issue a license to any person who is properly licensed in any state, territory, or possession of the United States, or foreign country if the applicant submits:
• Application;
• Fee;
• Proof that he or she is currently licensed in good standing as a cosmetologist, barber, manicurist, esthetician, master esthetician, instructor, or the equivalent in that jurisdiction;
• Provides proof that he or she has passed an examination approved by the director.

Authority: WAC 308-20-115 Reciprocity—Persons licensed in other jurisdictions.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in manicuring instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• The applicant must hold a current license in cosmetology;
• The applicant must complete an approved cosmetology instructor degree program with a minimum of 500 classroom hours in order to qualify for an instructor license; or
• The applicant has documented experience as an instructor for more than 500 hours in another state school;
• Applicant must pass a licensing examination approved or administered by the director;

Authority: RCW 18 16-020. Definitions

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are regulated under Esthetics and Cosmetology.

Authority: RCW 18 16-020. Definitions

Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology services are licensed in Washington.
**High School Cosmetology Programs**

Washington does not regulate high school cosmetology programs. In order to be a cosmetology student, one must be 16 years of age.

*Authority: [RCW 18 16-020. Definitions]*

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Body Art
- Body Piercing
- Massage Therapy
- Master Esthetics (Electrology)
- Permanent Cosmetics
- Tattooing
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Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall obtain a license in compliance with the West Virginia Annotated Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant is at least 18 years of age;
• Applicant is of good moral character and temperate habits;
• Applicant has completed at least a 12th grade education or its equivalent;
• Applicant has graduated from a school of cosmetology approved by the Board;
• Applicant has passed the appropriate examination;
• Applicant has presented a certificate of health from a licensed physician to the Board;
• Applicant is a citizen of the United States or is eligible for employment in the United States;
• Applicant has transmitted the appropriate application to the Board with the respective fee.


Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• Applicants must complete at least 1,800 hours of course study;
• A cosmetology student shall have at least 300 clock hours before working on the general public in a licensed school;
• Applicants must pass an examination;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay all required fees.

Authority: West Virginia Candidate Information Bulletin

Continuing Education Requirements

West Virginia requires continuing education for cosmetologists. Licenses must be renewed annually before January 1st. All persons licensed by the Board to practice beauty culture must earn a minimum of 4 hours of continuing education credits. Licensees who have been licensed for 20 years or more are exempt from the continuing education requirements, but must take a 3 hour sanitation class every other year.


Apprenticeship Programs

There are no cosmetology apprenticeships in West Virginia.

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

West Virginia does offer reciprocity. To obtain a license in West Virginia based on holding a current valid license in another state, jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must have received their previous license through substantially equivalent means.

- A student who has previously attended school, or who has graduated from a school of barbering or cosmetology in another state, may receive credit towards the 1800 for cosmetologists or 1200 for barbering clock requirement for graduation in this state,
- If, on entrance into a school in this state, the student requests credit for hours obtained in another state and subsequently presents to the in-state school manager, credentials showing subjects studied and the hours of credit received, duly signed and certified by the manager of the school previously attended.
- The Board may also award credit to those applicants who can demonstrate work experience. The amount of credit awarded shall be 25 hours credit for each month or 300 hours credit for 1 year, not to exceed a total award of 50% of West Virginia's hour requirements.


Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Have successfully passed a "teaching techniques" course at a post-secondary education level;
- Be of good moral character and of temperate habits;
- Have a high school diploma, GED, or “ability to benefit” test approved by the United States Department of Education;
- Have graduated from a recognized school of cosmetology;
- Have passed an examination approved by the Board consisting of an NIC Instructor exam, and WV State Law exam with at least an 80% pass percentage;
- Pay applicable certification, examination and registration fees.

Authority: W. Va. Code Ann. § 3-2-2. General Qualifications for Certification as an Instructor

Hair Stylists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in hair styling shall obtain a license in compliance with the West Virginia Annotated Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant is at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant is of good moral character and temperate habits;
- Applicant has completed at least a 12th grade education or its equivalent;
- Applicant has graduated from a school of cosmetology approved by the Board;
- Applicant has passed the appropriate examination;
- Applicant has presented a certificate of health from a licensed physician to the Board;
- Applicant is a citizen of the United State or is eligible for employment in the United States;
- Applicant has transmitted the appropriate application to the Board with the respective fee.

Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicants must complete at least 1,000 hours of course study;
- A cosmetology student shall have at least 250 clock hours before working on the general public in a licensed school;
- Applicants must pass an examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant must pay all required fees.

Authority: D.L. Roope Administrations Inc. Candidate Handbook

Continuing Education Requirements

West Virginia requires continuing education for hairstylists. Licenses must be renewed annually before January 1st. All persons licensed by the Board to practice beauty culture must earn a minimum of 4 hours of continuing education credits. Licensees who have been licensed for 20 years or more are exempt from the continuing education requirements, but must take a 3 hour sanitation class every other year.


Apprenticeship Programs

There are no hairstylist apprenticeships in West Virginia.


License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

West Virginia does offer reciprocity. To obtain a license in West Virginia based on holding a current valid license in another state, jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must have received their previous license through substantially equivalent means.

- A student who has previously attended school, or who has graduated from a school of barbering or cosmetology in another state, may receive credit towards the 1800 for cosmetologists or 1200 for barbering clock requirement for graduation in this state,
- If, on entrance into a school in this state, the student requests credit for hours obtained in another state and subsequently presents to the in-state school manager, credentials showing subjects studied and the hours of credit received, duly signed and certified by the manager of the school previously attended.
- The Board may also award credit to those applicants who can demonstrate work experience. The amount of credit awarded shall be 25 hours credit for each month or 300 hours credit for 1 year, not to exceed a total award of 50% of West Virginia’s hour requirements.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in hairstyling instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Have successfully passed a “teaching techniques” course at a post-secondary education level;
- Be of good moral character and of temperate habits;
- Have a high school diploma, GED, or “ability to benefit” test approved by the United States Department of Education;
- Have graduated from a recognized school of cosmetology;
- Have passed an examination approved by the Board consisting of an NIC Instructor exam, and WV State Law exam with at least an 80% pass percentage;
- Pay applicable certification, examination and registration fees.

Authority: **W. Va. Code Ann. § 3-2-2. General Qualifications for Certification as an Instructor**

Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall obtain a license in compliance with The West Virginia Annotated Code and shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant is at least 18 years of age;
- Applicant is of good moral character and temperate habits;
- Applicant has completed at least a 12th grade education or its equivalent;
- Applicant has graduated from a school of cosmetology approved by the Board;
- Applicant has passed the appropriate examination;
- Applicant has presented a certificate of health from a licensed physician to the Board;
- Applicant is a citizen of the United State or is eligible for employment in the United States;
- Applicant has transmitted the appropriate application to the Board with the respective fee.


Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- Applicants must complete at least 1,200 hours of course study;
- A cosmetology student shall have at least 250 clock hours before working on the general public in a licensed school;
- Applicants must pass an examination;
- Upon passing, Applicant must pay all required fees.

Authority: **D.L. Roope Administrations Inc. Candidate Handbook**

Continuing Education Requirements

West Virginia requires continuing education for barbering. Licenses must be renewed annually before January 1st. All persons licensed by the Board to practice beauty culture must earn a minimum of 4 hours of continuing education credits. Licensees who have been licensed for 20 years
or more are exempt from the continuing education requirements, but must take a 3 hour sanitation class every other year.


Apprenticeship Programs

All persons desiring to enter a program of apprenticeship training in West Virginia shall satisfy all general student requirements that are applicable to the license. To be an apprentice the following requirements must be met:

- Is at least sixteen years of age;
- Is of good moral character;
- Has a high school diploma, a GED, or has passed the “ability to benefit test” approved by the US Department of Education;
- Has paid the application fee;
- Has a certificate of health from a licensed physician;
- Is a citizen of the United States or is eligible for employment in the United States; and
- Has submitted completed application to the Board.

Apprentice Requirements:

- Shall complete 2,400 hours of apprenticeship training offered solely by a master barber or in conjunction with a school teaching theory courses prior to commencing practical work in a licensed facility or through a Board pre-approved online theory educational program for teaching theory courses;
- A work permit can only be issued if the applicant is registered for the upcoming examination and can only be renewed once;
- May receive compensation after earning no less than 600 hours of apprenticeship hours;
- Shall successfully pass each chapter review examination with at least a 70% and shall retain each examination for a period of two years after completion of apprenticeship program;
- Shall complete apprenticeship program within 30 months of commencing studies;
- Shall have direct supervision from the registered Master Barber while performing services;
- Shall work with Master Barber to ensure accurate record keeping including, but not limited to, daily hours attended, number of customers serviced, hours spent learning theory, and other information to assist with ensuring completion of the apprentice program;
- Shall submit an application for registration for licensure after completing apprenticeship and passing the barber examination.


License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

West Virginia does offer reciprocity. To obtain a license in West Virginia based on holding a current valid license in another state, jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must have received their previous license through substantially equivalent means.

- A student who has previously attended school, or who has graduated from a school of barbering or cosmetology in another state, may receive credit towards the 1800 for cosmetologist s or 1200 for barbering clock requirement for graduation in this state,
• If, on entrance into a school in this state, the student requests credit for hours obtained in another state and subsequently presents to the in-state school manager, credentials showing subjects studied and the hours of credit received, duly signed and certified by the manager of the school previously attended.
• The Board may also award credit to those applicants who can demonstrate work experience. The amount of credit awarded shall be 25 hours credit for each month or 300 hours credit for 1 year, not to exceed a total award of 50% of West Virginia's hour requirements.


Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Has had an active Barber license in West Virginia for at least five years.
• Has worked in a licensed barber shop in West Virginia for the last five years with at least two barber chairs in the barber shop.
• Is of good moral and responsible character;
• Has consistent history of satisfactory inspections conducted by Board’s agent at shop.
• Has an individual license currently in good standing with the Board; and works in a barber shop currently in good standing with the Board;
• Has paid the application fee; and
• Has submitted completed application to the Board.

Authority: W. Va. Code Ann. § 3-13-4. Qualification for a Master Barber Offering Barber Apprenticeship

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics shall obtain a license in compliance with the West Virginia Annotated Code and shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant is at least 18 years of age;
• Applicant is of good moral character and temperate habits;
• Applicant has completed at least a 12th grade education or its equivalent;
• Applicant has graduated from a school of cosmetology approved by the Board;
• Applicant has passed the appropriate examination;
• Applicant has presented a certificate of health from a licensed physician to the Board;
• Applicant is a citizen of the United State or is eligible for employment in the United States;
• Applicant has transmitted the appropriate application to the Board with the respective fee.


Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicants must complete 600 hours of required course study.
• A cosmetology student shall have at least 200 clock hours before working on the general public in a licensed school;
• Applicants must pass an examination;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay all required fees.

Authority: D.L. Roope Administrations Inc. Candidate Handbook

Continuing Education Requirements

West Virginia requires continuing education for estheticians. Licenses must be renewed annually before January 1st. All persons licensed by the Board to practice beauty culture must earn a minimum of 4 hours of continuing education credits. Licensees who have been licensed for 20 years or more are exempt from the continuing education requirements, but must take a 3 hour sanitation class every other year.


Apprenticeship Programs

There are no esthetician apprenticeships in West Virginia.


License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

West Virginia does offer reciprocity. To obtain a license in West Virginia based on holding a current valid license in another state, jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must have received their previous license through substantially equivalent means.

• A student who has previously attended school, or who has graduated from a school of barbering or cosmetology in another state, may receive credit towards the 1800 for cosmetologist s or 1200 for barbering clock requirement for graduation in this state,
• If, on entrance into a school in this state, the student requests credit for hours obtained in another state and subsequently presents to the in-state school manager, credentials showing subjects studied and the hours of credit received, duly signed and certified by the manager of the school previously attended.
• The Board may also award credit to those applicants who can demonstrate work experience. The amount of credit awarded shall be 25 hours credit for each month or 300 hours credit for 1 year, not to exceed a total award of 50% of West Virginia's hour requirements.


Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:
• Have successfully passed a “teaching techniques” course at a post-secondary education level;
• Be of good moral character and of temperate habits;
• Have a high school diploma, GED, or “ability to benefit” test approved by the United States Department of Education;
• Have graduated from a recognized school of cosmetology;
• Have passed an examination approved by the Board consisting of an NIC Instructor exam, and WV State Law exam with at least an 80% pass percentage;
• Pay applicable certification, examination and registration fees.

Authority: W. Va. Code Ann. § 3-2-2. General Qualifications for Certification as an Instructor

Nail Technicians/Manicurist

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in nail care shall obtain a license in compliance with the West Virginia Annotated Code and shall meet the following qualifications:
• Applicant is at least 18 years of age;
• Applicant is of good moral character and temperate habits;
• Applicant has completed at least a 12th grade education or its equivalent;
• Applicant has graduated from a school of cosmetology approved by the Board;
• Applicant has passed the appropriate examination;
• Applicant has presented a certificate of health from a licensed physician to the Board;
• Applicant is a citizen of the United States or is eligible for employment in the United States;
• Applicant has transmitted the appropriate application to the Board with the respective fee.


Examination Requirements

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:
• Applicants must complete 400 hours of required course study;
• A cosmetology student shall have at least 150 clock hours before working on the general public in a licensed school;
• Applicants must pass an examination;
• Upon passing, Applicant must pay all required fees.

Authority: D.L. Roope Administrations Inc. Candidate Handbook

Continuing Education Requirements

West Virginia requires continuing education for nail technicians. Licenses must be renewed annually before January 1st. All persons licensed by the Board to practice beauty culture must earn a minimum of 4 hours of continuing education credits. Licensees who have been licensed for 20 years or more are exempt from the continuing education requirements, but must take a 3 hour sanitation class every other year.

Apprenticeship Programs

There are no nail technician apprenticeships in West Virginia.


License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

West Virginia does offer reciprocity. To obtain a license in West Virginia based on holding a current valid license in another state, jurisdiction, or country, an Applicant must have received their previous license through substantially equivalent means.

- A student who has previously attended school, or who has graduated from a school of barbering or cosmetology in another state, may receive credit towards the 1800 for cosmetologists or 1200 for barbering clock requirement for graduation in this state,
- If, on entrance into a school in this state, the student requests credit for hours obtained in another state and subsequently presents to the in-state school manager, credentials showing subjects studied and the hours of credit received, duly signed and certified by the manager of the school previously attended.
- The Board may also award credit to those applicants who can demonstrate work experience. The amount of credit awarded shall be 25 hours credit for each month or 300 hours credit for 1 year, not to exceed a total award of 50% of West Virginia's hour requirements.


Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail care instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Have successfully passed a "teaching techniques” course at a post-secondary education level;
- Be of good moral character and of temperate habits;
- Have a high school diploma, GED, or “ability to benefit” test approved by the United States Department of Education;
- Have graduated from a recognized school of cosmetology;
- Have passed an examination approved by the Board consisting of an NIC Instructor exam, and WV State Law exam with at least an 80% pass percentage;
- Pay applicable certification, examination and registration fees.

Authority: W. Va. Code Ann. § 3-2-2. General Qualifications for Certification as an Instructor

Make-up Artists

Make-up Artists are licensed under Cosmetology and Esthetics.


Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology units are not licensed in West Virginia.
High School Cosmetology Programs

West Virginia does not have any rules regulating high school cosmetology programs. High school cosmetology programs are offered within the state.


Additional Professions Licensed

- Massage Therapy
- Shampoo Assistance
- Waxing Specialty
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Cosmetologists

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant must complete one of the following education requirements:
  - Graduate from high school or equivalent.
  - Participate in a program approved by the department.
  - Be at least 18 years of age and meet the ability to benefit rule.

- Applicant must complete one of the following training requirements:
  - Applicant must graduate from a course of instruction of at least 1,550 training hours in no less than 10 months in a school of cosmetology licensed by the department.
  - Applicant must successfully complete an apprenticeship of at least 3,712 hours of practical training and at least 288 training hours of theoretical instruction in a school of cosmetology licensed by the department.

- Applicant must pass the examination:
  - Applicants who have completed all training may be issued a temporary permit to practice for up to 6 months.

- Applicant must present evidence that is satisfactory to the examination board that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony committed while engaged in the practice of cosmetology.

Authority: [Wisconsin Department of Professional Services – Ch.454.06 Licensure](https://wisconsin.gov/dps/)

Exam Requirements

An applicant for licensure as a cosmetologist shall complete a written examination and a practical examination. The exam is administered through DL Roope Administrations Inc. They offer exams online and in paper form. There is a $10 fee per exam. Applicants that attended a licensed Wisconsin School must obtain an application from their school or use the online exam application.

Authority: [Wisconsin Department of Professional Services - Ch.454.07 Examinations](https://wisconsin.gov/dps/)

Continuing Education Requirements

Cosmetologists must renew their license by March 31 of every odd year to keep their license current. If continuing education is required for renewal, it must be completed during the 2 year period before the renewal deadline. The 2 year period is from 4/1 every odd year to 3/31 every odd year.

If continuing education is required, it must be taken from a provider on the list of approved Cosmetology providers/courses. [Wis. Admin Code Ch. COS 11](https://wisconsin.gov/dps/) outlines the standards and requirements for approval of the required courses. Per [Wis. Admin Code Ch. COS 11.04 (2)](https://wisconsin.gov/dps/), the
following providers meet the requirements and are accepted by the Board and do not need pre-
approval:

- Universities, technical colleges and schools licensed by the appropriate authority for the
  state in which the program is offered.
- The Wisconsin Cosmetology Examining Board and the Wisconsin Department of Safety and
  Professional Services.
- State or national professional organizations recognized by the board.

Authority: Wisconsin Department of Professional Services

Apprenticeship Programs

Applicants looking to obtain a Cosmetology Apprenticeship permit must:

- Complete the Application for Apprentice Contract and Permit and submit it to the DWD.
- Complete the apprenticeship contract with DWD and obtain an apprentice permit.

In order to complete apprenticeship training applicants must:

- Have completed 288 training hours of instruction in theory at an approved school of
  barbering or cosmetology.
- Have 3,172 hours of practical training at an approved school for barbering and
  cosmetology.
- Training must be at least 32 hours per week and in not less than 2 or more than 4 years.

Authority: Wisconsin Department of Professional Services - Ch.454.10 Apprenticeship

License Reciprocity and Availability Agreements

Reciprocity is available in Wisconsin to any applicant the meets the following requirements:

- Applicant must hold a current license in another jurisdiction.
- Applicant must pay the appropriate fee.
- Applicant must have at least 4,000 hours of experience in licensed practice.

Reciprocity may also be granted if the board has entered into an agreement with the licensing
authority of another state.

Authority: Wis. Stats. Cos 8.02 Licensing Requirements without examination. - Ch.454.13 Licenses of
Other Jurisdictions

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- Applicant shall complete 2,000 hours of practice as a licensed Cosmetologist OR hold a
current Wisconsin Cosmetology Manager license.
• Applicant shall complete 150 hours of instructor training.
• Applicant shall pass the state examination.

After passing the exam, a license will be issued by the Department.

Authority: Wisconsin Department of Professional Services

Hairs


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Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in hairstyling shall meet the following qualifications from the state barbers program:

• Applicant must complete one of the following education requirements:
  o Graduate from high school or equivalence.
  o Participate in a program approved by the Department.
  o Be at least 18 years of age and meet the ability to benefit rule.

• Applicant must complete one of the following training requirements:
  o Graduate from a prescribed barbering course of at least 1,000 hours in a school of barbering or cosmetology as approved by the Department.
  o Successfully complete an apprenticeship of at least 1,712 hours of practical training and at least 288 training hours of instruction in a school of barbering or school of cosmetology licensed by the Department. Training must be at least 32 hours per week and be completed in not more than 4 years.

• Applicant must pass the Examination:
  o Applicants who have completed all training may be issued a temporary permit to practice for up to 6 months.

• Applicant presents evidence satisfactory to the examination board that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony committed while engaged in the practice of barbering.

Authority: Wis. Stats. § 454.23

Exam Requirements

The exam is administered through DL Roope Administrations Inc. They offer exams online and in paper form. There is a $10 fee per exam. Applicants that attended a licensed Wisconsin School must obtain an application from their school or use the online exam application.

Authority: Wis. Stats. § 454.24
Continuing Education Requirements

Beginning with the biennial reporting period that starts on 4/1/2013, every licensee shall complete a minimum of 4 continuing education credit hours during each reporting period.

Continuing education credit hours can be obtained in any of the following ways:

- Attending seminars, corporate in-house courses, workshops, or professional or technical presentations made at meetings, conventions, or conferences that meet the requirements of SPS 50.421. Attendance may be in person or via remote classroom where a qualified provider is available to the participant to comment and answer questions.

- Teaching a continuing education program that meets the requirements of s. SPS 50.421. A person who teaches may only receive credit for the initial offering or presentation of a course or program during a biennium. Fifty minutes of actual instruction is equivalent to one continuing education credit hour.

- Participating in distance education that meets the requirements of s. SPS 50.421, including completion of interactive short courses or tutorials, delivery of educational programs and courses on CD-ROM or the Internet, or correspondence courses.

Continuing education programs offered by any of the following providers qualify for continuing education credit hours with no further approval needed from the department:

- Universities, technical colleges, and schools licensed by the appropriate authority for the state in which the program is offered.

- State-licensed or state-certified instructors who have not had any disciplinary actions taken against them in the 3-year period preceding their planned instruction.

- Product distribution companies, state-level or national-level professional organizations, national salon chains, or other providers, that offer programs with significant professional educational benefits for licensees.

Authority: Wis. Stats. § 454.265

Apprenticeships

The owner of an establishment seeking to train an apprentice shall contact the department of workforce development or the department of safety and professional services for an apprenticeship application. The application shall be submitted to the department of workforce development.

Authority: Wis. Stats. § 454.26

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is available in Wisconsin to any applicant the meets the following requirements:

- Applicant must hold a current license in another jurisdiction.
• Applicant must pay the appropriate fee.

• Applicant must have at least 4,000 hours of experience in licensed practice.

Reciprocity may also be granted if the board has entered into an agreement with the licensing authority of another state.

Authority: Wis. Stats. SPS 50.340 (2) Licensing

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in hairstyling instruction shall meet the following requirements:

• Applicant shall submit an application for initial certification and include the initial credential fee determined by the department under section: 440.03 (9) (a)

• Applicant shall complete 2,000 hours of practice as a licensed barber or holds a current barbering manager license issued by the department.

• Applicant shall 150 training hours of instructor training approved by the department.

• Applicant shall pass an examination conducted by the department to determine fitness as a barbering instructor.


Barbers

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering shall meet the following qualifications:

• Applicant must complete one of the following education requirements:
  o Graduate from high school or equivalence.
  o Participate in a program approved by the Department.
  o Be at least 18 years of age and meet the ability to benefit rule.

• Applicant must complete one of the following training requirements:
  o Graduate from a prescribed barbering course of at least 1,000 hours in a school of barbering or cosmetology as approved by the Department.
  o Successfully complete an apprenticeship of at least 1,712 hours of practical training and at least 288 training hours of instruction in a school of barbering or school of cosmetology licensed by the Department. Training must be at least 32 hours per week and be completed in not more than 4 years.

• Applicant must pass the Examination:
Applicants who have completed all training may be issued a temporary permit to practice for up to 6 months.

- Applicant presents evidence satisfactory to the examination board that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony committed while engaged in the practice of barbering.

*Authority: Wis. Stats. § 454.23*

**Exam Requirements**

The exam is administered through DL Roope Administrations Inc. They offer exams online and in paper form. There is a $10 fee per exam. Applicants that attended a licensed Wisconsin School must obtain an application from their school or use the online exam application.

*Authority: Wis. Stats. § 454.24*

**Continuing Education Requirements**

Beginning with the biennial reporting period that starts on 4/1/2013, every licensee shall complete a minimum of 4 continuing education credit hours during each reporting period.

Continuing education credit hours can be obtained in any of the following ways:

- Attending seminars, corporate in-house courses, workshops, or professional or technical presentations made at meetings, conventions, or conferences that meet the requirements of SPS 50.421. Attendance may be in person or via remote classroom where a qualified provider is available to the participant to comment and answer questions.

- Teaching a continuing education program that meets the requirements of SPS 50.421. A person who teaches may only receive credit for the initial offering or presentation of a course or program during a biennium. Fifty minutes of actual instruction is equivalent to one continuing education credit hour.

- Participating in distance education that meets the requirements of SPS 50.421, including completion of interactive short courses or tutorials, delivery of educational programs and courses on CD-ROM or the Internet, or correspondence courses.

Continuing education programs offered by any of the following providers qualify for continuing education credit hours with no further approval needed from the department:

- Universities, technical colleges, and schools licensed by the appropriate authority for the state in which the program is offered.

- State-licensed or state-certified instructors who have not had any disciplinary actions taken against them in the 3-year period preceding their planned instruction.

- Product distribution companies, state-level or national-level professional organizations, national salon chains, or other providers, that offer programs with significant professional educational benefits for licensees.

*Authority: Wis. Stats. § 454.265*
Apprenticeships

The owner of an establishment seeking to train an apprentice shall contact the department of workforce development or the department of safety and professional services for an apprenticeship application. The application shall be submitted to the department of workforce development.

Authority: Wis. Stats. § 454.26

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

Reciprocity is available in Wisconsin to any applicant who meets the following requirements:

- Applicant must hold a current license in another jurisdiction.
- Applicant must pay the appropriate fee.
- Applicant must have at least 4,000 hours of experience in licensed practice.

Reciprocity may also be granted if the board has entered into an agreement with the licensing authority of another state.

Authority: Wis. Stats. § 454.27

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in barbering instruction shall meet the following requirements:

- Applicant shall submit an application for initial certification and include the initial credential fee determined by the department under section: 440.03 (9) (a).
- Applicant shall complete 2,000 hours of practice as a licensed barber or holds a current barbering manager license issued by the department.
- Applicant shall 150 training hours of instructor training approved by the department.
- Applicant shall pass an examination conducted by the department to determine fitness as a barbering instructor.


Authority: Wis. Stats. § 454.20 (2)

Estheticians

Licensing Requirements

Any individual wishing to obtain an esthetics license must meet the following requirements:
• All applicants must satisfy the following conditions:
  o Applicant must pay the initial credential fee determined by the Department.
  o Applicant must present evidence satisfactory to the examining board that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony committed while engaged in the practice of cosmetology.
• Complete one of the following education requirements:
  o Graduate from high school or equivalency.
  o Participate in a program approved by the Department.
  o Be at least 18 years of age and meet the ability to benefit rule under 20 USC 1091(d).
• Complete one of the following training requirements:
  o A course of instruction in aesthetics of at least 450 training hours in not less than 11 weeks and not more than 30 weeks in a school of cosmetology or a school of aesthetics licensed by the Department.
  o At least 450 training hours in not less than 11 weeks and not more than 30 weeks under the supervision of a Cosmetology Instructor or Aesthetics Instructor licensed by the Department.
• Pass the examination:
  o Applicants who have completed all training may be issued a temporary permit to practice for up to 6 months.

Authority: Wis. St. § 454.06 (1) (4).

Exam Requirements

An applicant for licensure as an aesthetician shall complete a written examination and a practical examination. The exam is administered through DL Roope Administrations Inc. They offer exams online and in paper form. There is a $10 fee per exam. Applicants that attended a licensed Wisconsin School must obtain an application from their school or use the online exam application.

Authority: Cosmetology Examining Board Ch. Cos 7 – Wisconsin Application Info.

Continuing Education Requirements

Estheticians must renew their license by March 31 of every odd year to keep their license current. If continuing education is required for renewal, it must be completed during the 2-year period before the renewal deadline. The 2-year time frame for aesthetician licenses is from 4/1 every odd year to 3/31 every odd year.

Continuing education programs offered by the following providers qualify for continuing education credit hours with no prior approval from the board necessary:

• Universities, technical colleges, and schools licensed by the appropriate authority for the state in which the program is offered.
- The Wisconsin Cosmetology Examining Board and the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services.
- State or national professional organizations recognized by the board.

The continuing education credit hours required shall consist of the following:

- One CE credit hour reviewing the laws governing the cosmetology professions and establishments.
- Three CE credit hours in safety, sanitation, and infection control.

CE credit hours may be obtained through any of the following means:

- Attending seminars, corporate in-house courses, workshops, professional or technical presentations made at meetings, conventions, or conferences approved by the board under s. Cos 11.04. Attendance may be in person or via remote classroom where a qualified provider is available to the participant to comment and answer questions.
- Teaching a continuing education program. A person who teaches may only receive credit for the initial offering or presentation of a course or program during a biennium. Fifty minutes of actual instruction is equivalent to one continuing education credit hour. A maximum of 4 credit hours may be obtained by teaching in any biennial reporting period. Full-time faculty may not claim continuing education credits for teaching done as part of their regular duties.
- Distance education, including completion of interactive short courses or tutorials, delivery of educational programs and courses on CD-ROM or the internet or correspondence courses.

**Authority:** Wis. Stats. Cos 11.03 (2)-(5) - Wisconsin Department of Professional Services

**Apprenticeship**

Owners of establishments seeking to train an apprentice shall contact the department of workforce development or the department for an application. Owner must also adhere to the Apprenticeship Procedures and Standards of the Cosmetology Examining Board.

**Authority:** Wis. Stats. Ch. Cos 6. Apprenticeship Procedures and Standards.

**License Reciprocity and Availability Agreements**

Reciprocity is available in Wisconsin to any applicant who meets the following requirements:

- Applicant must hold a current license in another jurisdiction.
- Applicant must pay the appropriate fee.
- Applicant must have at least 4,000 hours of experience in licensed practice.
Reciprocity may also be granted if the board has entered into an agreement with the licensing authority of another state.

Authority:  [Wis. Stats. Cos 8.02 Licensing Requirements without examination.](#)

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following requirements:

- Applicant shall submit application for initial certification and include the initial credential fee determined by the department.
- Applicant shall complete 2,000 hours of practice as a licensed esthetician.
- Applicant shall complete 150 training hours of instructor training approved by the department.
- Applicant must pass an examination conducted by the department to determine fitness as an esthetics instructor.

Authority:  [Wis. Stats. Ch. SPS 65.01](#)

**Nail Technicians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to obtain a Nail Technician license needs to meet the following requirements:

- Applicant shall pay the initial credential fee determined by the department.
- Applicant shall provide evidence satisfactory to the examining board that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony committed while engaged in the practice of barbering or cosmetology.

Applicant must complete either of the following training requirements:

- A course of instruction in manicuring of at least 300 training hours in not less than 7 weeks and not more than 20 weeks, in a school of cosmetology or a school of manicuring licensed under 440.62 (3) or accredited by an accrediting agency approved by the board.
- At least 300 hours of training in not less than 7 weeks and not more than 20 weeks under the supervision of a certified cosmetology instructor or manicuring instructor or a licensed cosmetology manager, in a licensed establishment that is also licensed under a specialty school of manicuring under 440.62 (4)(c).

Applicant must also complete one of the following education requirements:

- Graduate from high school or equivalent.
- Participate in a program approved by the department.
- Be at least 18 years of age and meet the ability to benefit rule.
Applicant must also pass the examination:

- Applicants who have completed all training may be issued a temporary permit to practice for up to 6 months.

*Authority:* Wisconsin Department of Public Safety – Wis. Stats. 454.06 (6)

**Exam Requirements**

An applicant for licensure as a nail technician shall complete a written examination and a practical examination. The exam is administered through DL Roope Administrations Inc. They offer exams online and in paper form. There is a $10 fee per exam. Applicants that attended a licensed Wisconsin School must obtain an application from their school or use the online exam application.

*Authority:* Cosmetology Examining Board Ch. Cos 7. – Wisconsin Application Info.

**Continuing Education Requirements**

Manicurists must renew their license by March 31 of every odd year to keep their license current. If continuing education is required for renewal, it must be completed during the 2-year period before the renewal deadline. A manicurist license is good from 4/1 every odd year to 3/31 every odd year.

Continuing education programs offered by the following providers qualify for continuing education credit hours with no prior approval from the board necessary:

- Universities, technical colleges, and schools licensed by the appropriate authority for the state in which the program is offered.
- The Wisconsin Cosmetology Examining Board and the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services.
- State or national professional organizations recognized by the board.

The continuing education credit hours required shall consist of the following:

- One CE credit hour reviewing the laws governing the cosmetology professions and establishments.
- Three CE credit hours in safety, sanitation, and infection control.

CE credit hours may be obtained through any of the following means:

- Attending seminars, corporate in-house courses, workshops, professional or technical presentations made at meetings, conventions, or conferences approved by the board under s. Cos 11.04. Attendance may be in person or via remote classroom where a qualified provider is available to the participant to comment and answer questions.
• Teaching a continuing education program. A person who teaches may only receive credit for the initial offering or presentation of a course or program during a biennium. Fifty minutes of actual instruction is equivalent to one continuing education credit hour. A maximum of 4 credit hours may be obtained by teaching in any biennial reporting period. Full-time faculty may not claim continuing education credits for teaching done as part of their regular duties.

• Distance education, including completion of interactive short courses or tutorials, delivery of educational programs and courses on CD-ROM or the internet or correspondence courses.

Authority: Wis. Stats. Cos 11.03 (2)-(5) – Wisconsin Department of Professional Services

Apprenticeship

Owners of establishments seeking to train an apprentice shall contact the department of workforce development or the department for an application. Owner must also adhere to the Apprenticeship Procedures and Standards of the Cosmetology Examining Board.


License Reciprocity and Availability Agreements

Reciprocity is available in Wisconsin to any applicant the meets the following requirements:

• Applicant must hold a current license in another jurisdiction.
• Applicant must pay the appropriate fee.
• Applicant must have at least 4,000 hours of experience in licensed practice.

Reciprocity may also be granted if the board has entered into an agreement with the licensing authority of another state.

Authority: Wis. Stats. Cos 8.02 Licensing Requirements without examination.

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technician instruction must meet the following requirements:

• Applicant shall submit application for initial certification and include the initial credential fee determined by the department.
• Applicant shall complete 2,000 hours of practice as a licensed nail technician.
• Applicant shall complete 150 training hours of instructor training approved by the department.
Applicant must pass an examination conducted by the department to determine fitness as a nail technician instructor.

Authority: Wis. Stats. Ch. SPS 65.01

Make-up Artists

Make-up artists are not regulated in the state of Wisconsin.

Authority: Wisconsin Department of Professional Services

Mobile Cosmetology Services

Mobile Cosmetology Services are not allowed in the state of Wisconsin.

Authority: Wis. Stats. 454.08 (1)(a)

High School Cosmetology Programs

Wisconsin offers Youth Apprentice (YA) programs. However they do not offer cosmetology programs to high school students.

Authority: Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development

Additional Professions Licensed

- Tattooist
- Body Piercer
**WYOMING**

**Cosmetologists**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to obtain a license of cosmetology in Wyoming, shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is at least 16 years of age;
- The applicant shall have received a 10th grade education or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- The applicant must pass the examination provided by the Board;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority*: [Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 5](#)

**Exam Requirements**

The following exam requirements for any individual wishing to obtain a license of cosmetology:

- The applicant must graduate from a program of 1,600 hours from a school;
- The applicant shall take and pass a theory and practical examination;
- Upon, passing the applicant shall have paid the required fees.

*Authority*: [Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 2](#)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. The first issuance of a license expires 1 year from the month of acquisition. After that licenses will expire every 2 years on the month of the holder's birth date.

*Authority*: [Wyoming Board of Cosmetology FAQ](#)

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Education must be received in a licensed school.

*Authority*: [Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 5](#)

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

To obtain a license in Wyoming based on holding a current valid license from another state, country, or jurisdiction, an applicant must be licensed through Endorsement. The following qualifications shall have been met:

- Must have graduated from a state recognized school;
- Must have taken a board administered written and practical examination
• Must have met the Wyoming required hours for licensure;
• If you have less than our required hours, you will need to prove proof of at least one 1 year work experience in your field;

If you do not qualify for Endorsement you will have to take the Wyoming written and practical examinations in order to be licensed in the state.

*Authority: Wyoming Board of Cosmetology FAQ*

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in cosmetology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• The applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
• The applicant shall have a high school diploma or its equivalent;
• The applicant shall have a Wyoming license in cosmetology;
• The applicant shall have practiced cosmetology in a salon for at least 50 weeks with no less than 36 hour per week within the last 5 years immediately preceding enrollment;
• The applicant shall complete 500 hours of instructor education instruction;
  - No more than 100 hours may be acquired through distance learning;
• The applicant shall submit an application with the required fees to the Board.

*Authority: Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 4*

**Hairstylists**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to obtain a license of hairstyling or related fields in Wyoming, shall meet the following qualifications:

• The applicant is at least 16 years of age;
• The applicant shall have received a 10th grade education or its equivalent;
• Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
• The applicant must pass the examination provided by the Board;
• Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
• Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority: Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 5*

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

• The applicant must graduate from a program of 1,000 hours from a school;
• The applicant shall take and pass a theory and practical examination;
• Upon, passing the applicant shall have paid the required fees.

*Authority: Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 2*
Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. The first issuance of a license expires 1 year from the month of acquisition. After that licenses will expire every 2 years on the month of the holder's birth date.

Authority: Wyoming Board of Cosmetology FAQ

Apprenticeship Programs

Education must be received in a licensed school.

Authority: Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 5

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Wyoming based on holding a current valid license from another state, country, or jurisdiction, an applicant must be licensed through Endorsement. The following qualifications shall have been met:

- Must have graduated from a state recognized school;
- Must have taken a board administered written and practical examination
- Must have met the Wyoming required hours for licensure;
- If you have less than our required hours, you will need to prove proof of at least one 1 year work experience in your field;

If you do not qualify for Endorsement you will have to take the Wyoming written and practical examinations in order to be licensed in the state.

Authority: Wyoming Board of Cosmetology FAQ

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in hairstyling instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- The applicant shall have a high school diploma or its equivalent;
- The applicant shall have a Wyoming license in hairstyling;
- The applicant shall have practiced hairstyling in a salon for at least 50 weeks with no less than 36 hour per week within the last 5 years immediately preceding enrollment;
- The applicant shall complete 500 hours of instructor education instruction;
  - No more than 100 hours may be acquired through distance learning;
- The applicant shall submit an application with the required fees to the Board.

Authority: Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 4
**Barbers**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to obtain a barber licensing in Wyoming, shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is at least 17 years of age;
- The applicant shall have received a 10th grade education or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- The applicant must pass the examination provided by the Board;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority:* [Wyoming Barber Rules and Regulations Chapter 7](#)

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant must graduate from a program of 1,250 hours from a school;
- The applicant shall take and pass a theory and practical examination;
- To pass a score of 75 or greater must be achieved;
- Upon, passing the applicant shall have paid the required fees.

*Authority:* [Wyoming Barber Rules and Regulations Chapter 10](#)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. The first issuance of a license expires 1 year from the month of acquisition. After that licenses will expire every 2 years on the month of the holder's birth date.

*Authority:* [Wyoming Board of Cosmetology FAQ](#)

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Education must be received in a licensed school.

*Authority:* [Wyoming Barber Rules and Regulations Chapter 7](#)

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

To obtain a license in Wyoming based on holding a current valid license from another state, country, or jurisdiction, an applicant must be licensed through Endorsement. The following qualifications shall have been met:

- Must have graduated from a state recognized school;
- Must have taken a board administered written and practical examination
- Must have met the Wyoming required hours for licensure;
If you have less than our required hours, you will need to prove proof of at least one 1 year work experience in your field;

If you do not qualify for Endorsement you will have to take the Wyoming written and practical examinations in order to be licensed in the state.

**Authority:** [Wyoming Board of Cosmetology FAQ](http://example.com)

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in barber instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- The applicant shall have a high school diploma or its equivalent;
- The applicant shall have a Wyoming license in barbering;
- The applicant shall have practiced barbering in a salon for at least 50 weeks with no less than 36 hour per week within the last 5 years immediately preceding enrollment;
- The applicant shall complete 500 hours of instructor education instruction;
  - No more than 100 hours may be acquired through distance learning;
- The applicant shall submit an application with the required fees to the Board.

**Authority:** [Wyoming Barber Rules and Regulations Chapter 6](http://example.com)

**Estheticians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to obtain a license of esthetics in Wyoming, shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is at least 16 years of age;
- The applicant shall have received a 10th grade education or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- The applicant must pass the examination provided by the Board;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

**Authority:** [Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 5](http://example.com)

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant must graduate from a program of 600 hours from a school;
- The applicant shall take and pass a theory and practical examination;
- Upon, passing the applicant shall have paid the required fees.

**Authority:** [Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 2](http://example.com)
Continuing Education Requirements

There are no continuing education requirements. The first issuance of a license expires 1 year from the month of acquisition. After that licenses will expire every 2 years on the month of the holder's birth date.

Authority: Wyoming Board of Cosmetology FAQ

Apprenticeship Programs

Education must be received in a licensed school.

Authority: Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 5

License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements

To obtain a license in Wyoming based on holding a current valid license from another state, country, or jurisdiction, an applicant must be licensed through Endorsement. The following qualifications shall have been met:

• Must have graduated from a state recognized school;
• Must have taken a board administered written and practical examination
• Must have met the Wyoming required hours for licensure;
• If you have less than our required hours, you will need to prove proof of at least one 1 year work experience in your field;

If you do not qualify for Endorsement you will have to take the Wyoming written and practical examinations in order to be licensed in the state.

Authority: Wyoming Board of Cosmetology FAQ

Instructors

Any individual wishing to engage in esthetics instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

• The applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
• The applicant shall have a high school diploma or its equivalent;
• The applicant shall have a Wyoming license in esthetics;
• The applicant shall have practiced esthetics in a salon for at least 50 weeks with no less than 36 hour per week within the last 5 years immediately preceding enrollment;
• The applicant shall complete 500 hours of instructor education instruction;
  o No more than 100 hours may be acquired through distance learning;
• The applicant shall submit an application with the required fees to the Board.

Authority: Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 4
**Nail Technicians**

**Licensing Requirements**

Any individual wishing to obtain a license of nail technology in Wyoming, shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant is at least 16 years of age;
- The applicant shall have received a 10th grade education or its equivalent;
- Applicant shall graduate from a Board approved school and complete the required hours of instruction;
- The applicant must pass the examination provided by the Board;
- Applicant shall submit the application with the required documentation;
- Applicant shall pay any required fees.

*Authority:* [Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 5](#)

**Exam Requirements**

Each individual who seeks admission to an examination shall complete the following:

- The applicant must graduate from a program of 400 hours from a school;
- The applicant shall take and pass a theory and practical examination;
- Upon, passing the applicant shall have paid the required fees.

*Authority:* [Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 2](#)

**Continuing Education Requirements**

There are no continuing education requirements. The first issuance of a license expires 1 year from the month of acquisition. After that licenses will expire every 2 years on the month of the holder's birth date.

*Authority:* [Wyoming Board of Cosmetology FAQ](#)

**Apprenticeship Programs**

Education must be received in a licensed school.

*Authority:* [Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 5](#)

**License Reciprocity Availability and Requirements**

To obtain a license in Wyoming based on holding a current valid license from another state, country, or jurisdiction, an applicant must be licensed through Endorsement. The following qualifications shall have been met:

- Must have graduated from a state recognized school;
- Must have taken a board administered written and practical examination
- Must have met the Wyoming required hours for licensure;
- If you have less than our required hours, you will need to prove proof of at least one 1 year work experience in your field;
If you do not qualify for Endorsement you will have to take the Wyoming written and practical examinations in order to be licensed in the state.

**Authority:** Wyoming Board of Cosmetology FAQ

**Instructors**

Any individual wishing to engage in nail technology instruction shall meet the following qualifications:

- The applicant must be at least 18 years of age;
- The applicant shall have a high school diploma or its equivalent;
- The applicant shall have a Wyoming license in nail technology;
- The applicant shall have practiced nail technology in a salon for at least 50 weeks with no less than 36 hour per week within the last 5 years immediately preceding enrollment;
- The applicant shall complete 500 hours of instructor education instruction;
  - No more than 100 hours may be acquired through distance learning;
- The applicant shall submit an application with the required fees to the Board.

**Authority:** Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 4

**Make-up Artists**

Make-up Artists are licensed under Esthetics and Cosmetology.

**Authority:** Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 1

**Licensing of Mobile Cosmetology Services**

Mobile Cosmetology Salons are not licensed in Wyoming.

**Authority:** Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 7

**High School Cosmetology Programs**

Cosmetology schools in Wyoming must be postsecondary institutions.

**Authority:** Wyoming Cosmetology Rules and Regulations Chapter 3

**Additional Professions Licensed**

- Wax Technician
- Permanent make-up artist
- Electrologist
- Massage Therapist