

**TITLE 16 OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING**  
**CHAPTER 63 SOCIAL WORKERS**  
**PART 4 EXAMINATIONS**

**16.63.4.1 ISSUING AGENCY:** Regulation and Licensing Department, Board of Social Work Examiners  
P.O. Box 25101, Santa Fe, NM 87504  
[9/8/96; 16.63.4.1 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.4.1, 06/19/02]

**16.63.4.2 SCOPE:** All baccalaureate social workers, master social workers, and independent social workers.  
[9/8/96; 16.63.4.2 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.4.2, 06/19/02]

**16.63.4.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** These parts are promulgated pursuant to the Social Work Practice Act, Section 61-31-8A, 14-2-1, 61-31-19 NMSA 1978.  
[9/8/96; 16.63.4.3 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.4.3, 06/19/02]

**16.63.4.4 DURATION:** Permanent  
[9/8/96; 16.63.4.4 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.4.4, 06/19/02]

**16.63.4.5 EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 5, 1995, unless a different date is cited at the end of a section.  
[9/8/96; 16.63.4.5 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 63.4.5, 06/19/02]

**16.63.4.6 OBJECTIVE:** To outline the examination requirements and process.  
[9/8/96; 16.63.4.6 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.4.6, 06/19/02]

**16.63.4.7 DEFINITIONS:** [Reserved]

**16.63.4.8 EXAMINATIONS:** The board adopts as its examination the examination as administered by the association of social work boards at the appropriate license level.  
[1/1/90, 9/13/90, 5/15/91, 6/22/92, 1/5/95; 16.63.4.8 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.4.8, 06/19/02; A, 4/24/06; A, 11/30/06]

**16.63.4.9 FREQUENCY:** The board will administer the examinations at least twice a year or as frequently as is determined by the board.  
[1/1/90, 9/13/90, 5/15/91, 6/22/92, 1/5/95, 5/1/99; 16.63.4.9 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.4.9, 06/19/02]

**16.63.4.10 REQUIREMENTS:** In order to sit for the ASWB examination, applicants must submit, to the board, a completed examination application and supporting documentation.  
[1/1/90, 9/13/90, 5/15/91, 6/22/92, 1/5/95, 5/1/99; 16.63.4.10 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 63.4.10, 06/19/02; A, 11/30/06]

**16.63.4.11 PASSING SCORES:** For the examinations administered by the association of social work boards, ASWB, the board will accept as passing, scores of 70 or higher.  
[1/1/90, 9/13/90, 5/15/91, 6/22/92, 1/5/95; 16.63.4.11 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 63.4.11, 06/19/02; A, 4/24/06]

**16.63.4.12 REPEATED EXAMINATIONS:** Qualified applicants who fail to obtain the minimum required score may retake the exam an unlimited number of times. A new application must be submitted and applicants must pay the examination fee for each administration of the examination. Qualifications for examination will be evaluated based on the most recent application.  
[1/1/90, 9/13/90, 5/15/91, 6/22/92, 1/5/95, 5/1/99; 16.63.4.12 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.4.12, 06/19/02]

**16.63.4.13 SPECIAL ACCOMODATIONS:** Applicants for examination may request special facilities to accommodate disabilities or additional time to allow for English as a second language. Special requests must be submitted in writing, to the New Mexico board of social work examiners at the time of application. The board will consider each request on a case-by-case basis.  
[1/1/90, 9/13/90, 5/15/91, 6/22/92, 1/5/95, 5/1/99; 16.63.4.13 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.4.13, 06/19/02]

**16.63.4.14 NOTIFICATION:** The applicant will receive the results of the national exam immediately from ASWB.

[1/1/90, 9/13/90, 5/15/91, 6/22/92, 1/5/95, 5/1/99; 16.63.4.14 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.4.14, 06/19/02; A, 11/30/06]

**HISTORY OF 16.63.4 NMAC:**

**Pre-NMAC History:** The material in this part was derived from that previously filed with the Commission of Public Records-State Records Center and Archives:

Rule 7, Examinations, 12/1/89.

Rule 7, Examinations, 8/13/90.

Rule 4, Examinations, 4/15/91.

Rule 4, Examinations, 5/22/92.

Rule 4, Examinations, 12/5/94.

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