

This is an amendment to 16.34.5 NMAC, Section 8, effective 12/27/2022.

16.34.5.8 GENERAL LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS:

A. Any person is eligible to be registered as a practitioner and is qualified to receive a license as a registered barber, cosmetologist, hairstylist, manicurist, esthetician, manicurist/esthetician, or electrologist who submits proof that the applicant:

- (1) is at least 17 years of age;
- (2) ~~[has an education equivalent to the completion of the second year of high school;~~
- (3) has completed the course of study for the license in a licensed school within the preceding 12 months; or for a barber license, proof that the applicant has either completed the course of study in a licensed school within the preceding 12 months or has successfully completed a barber apprenticeship program registered by the state apprenticeship agency within the preceding 12 months;
- (4) (3) has paid the required fees as set forth in these rules; and
- (5) (4) has passed the practical and written examination conducted by the board.

B. Any person is eligible for initial registration or re-registration as an instructor and is qualified to receive a license as an instructor who submits proof that the applicant has met all the above requirements and in addition:

- (1) for barber instructors, has an education equivalent to the completion of four years of high school; and
- (2) holds a current license in New Mexico as a practitioner in the field in which the applicant is seeking licensure as an instructor.

C. Applicants who have not completed a course of study equivalent to the license for which he/she is applying may submit notarized letters of employment or employment records to prove licensed, current, verified work experience. Six full months of work experience will equal 150 hours of training. Work experience less than six full months will not be considered toward training hours.

D. Applications are valid for one year from date of receipt.

E. All application fees are non-refundable.

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