

This is an amendment to 16.34.6 NMAC, Section 8, effective 10-04-2007

16.34.6.8 RECIPROCITY

A. An applicant for licensure by reciprocity must meet all the requirements of the act and applicable rules.

B. CREDIT FOR WORK EXPERIENCE. 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 one-hundred-fifty hours of training. Work experience less than six full months will not be considered toward training hours. 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. Apprenticeship training hours shall be considered on an individual case basis and will not be credited for more than fifty percent of the hours required for licensure by in-state applicants.

C. FULL HOURS OR WORK EXPERIENCE, OUT-OF-STATE LICENSE. Any person who seeks licensure in the state of New Mexico through reciprocity from any other state shall:

(1) furnish an affidavit from the state regulatory agency verifying that the applicant holds a current license and is in good standing with the state;

(2) furnish a certified transcript for the course of study or affidavit of hours from the regulatory agency or school attended in the state from which the applicant is applying;

(3) complete the application for reciprocity on a form provided by the board and submit the required fee; and

(4) furnish notarized letters of employment from past employers or employment records to prove work experience as stated in B of this section, if needed.

~~D. FULL HOURS OR WORK EXPERIENCE, FOREIGN TRAINING. Any person who seeks licensure in the state of New Mexico through reciprocity or examination from another nation shall submit for consideration by the board or its designee the following:~~

~~(1) notarized translation of his/her valid license or certificate from another nation;~~

~~(2) notarized translation of certified transcript of training from school or nation;~~

~~(3) notarized translation of any other documents that may be required by the board or its designee;~~

~~(4) notarized letters of employment from past employers or employment records to prove work experience as stated in B of 16.34.6.8 NMAC, if needed;~~

~~(5) the requirements for translation apply only to documents written in a language other than English;~~

~~(6) the board or its executive director, may accept as proof of secondary education the applicant's notarized statement that he/she has completed the required secondary education, but has been unable to obtain documentary proof of that from the foreign nation; and~~

~~(7) the board may require examination applicants with foreign training who fail any part of the examination to return to school for a designated number of hours of training prior to re-examination.~~

~~E. FULL HOURS, NO LICENSE. An applicant, who has completed an equivalent course of study but has not obtained a license in another state, will be admitted to the New Mexico board examinations subject to all requirements, which apply to New Mexico applicants to take examination.~~

~~F. INCOMPLETE HOURS, OUT OF STATE LICENSE. A person holding a current license from another state who needs additional training not exceeding one hundred hours may obtain the hours in New Mexico or any other state and the applicant may submit proof of the training and be granted licensure through reciprocity without examination.~~

~~G. An applicant from a state which requires a course of study less than the New Mexico course of study and who is licensed by that state may apply work experience or, on an individual case basis, apprenticeship training hours, toward training requirements as stated in Subsection B of 16.34.6.8 NMAC, not to exceed fifty percent of the required hours in New Mexico. If the allowed hours credited from work experience or apprenticeship training meet or exceed the equivalent of the New Mexico course of study, the applicant may obtain licensure through reciprocity without examination. If the applicant cannot obtain a license through reciprocity with the previous training and work experience, he/she will be required to obtain approval of the previous hours of training as stated in Subsection I of 16.34.6.8 NMAC, obtain the additional hours needed and submit to the New Mexico licensing examination applicable to the license he/she is seeking.~~

~~H. INCOMPLETE HOURS OF TRAINING, NO LICENSE. A person who is not currently licensed in another state and who is transferring to a licensed school in New Mexico with incomplete hours of training will~~

be given full or partial credit in New Mexico. To determine the number of previous hours that will transfer to New Mexico the applicant must:

- ~~_____ (1) submit a certified transcript from the regulatory agency in the state where the training was obtained or a sealed or certified transcript from the school in which the training was obtained; the transcript must include:~~
 - ~~_____ (a) the date training began in the former state; and~~
 - ~~_____ (b) the date training ended in the former state; and~~
 - ~~_____ (c) the number of hours earned categorized by subject.~~
- ~~_____ (2) provide proof of age and secondary education as required for the license sought;~~
- ~~_____ (3) submit on the prescribed form, a recommendation regarding approval of hours previously earned from the school in which the person is seeking enrollment; the board office will return the certified form stating how many hours are approved and how many hours are needed in the state of New Mexico; the certified approval must be retained in the student's school file.~~
- ~~_____ (a) No credit will be approved in New Mexico for the study of subjects that are unrelated to the curriculum requirements in the state of New Mexico.~~
- ~~_____ (b) If the number of hours to be credited to each subject cannot be obtained from the board or school in the former state, the applicant shall receive credit for ninety percent of the total hours of credit earned, allocated by the prospective school as close as practicable in proportion to the time required for each subject in the New Mexico curriculum and submitted to the board for approval.]~~

D. FOREIGN TRAINING: All foreign trained applicants must submit to the applicable examination. Refer to 16.34.3 NMAC for requirements.

E. INCOMPLETE HOURS, OUT OF STATE LICENSE.

- (1) An applicant who holds a valid license in another state and who needs additional training not in excess of 100 hours may obtain the training hours in any state. Upon submitting proof of having acquired the additional training hours, the applicant may then be licensed through reciprocity.
- (2) An applicant licensed in a state where the course of study is not equivalent to New Mexico's may apply work experience or apprenticeship training hours, on a case by case basis, toward the training requirements as stated in Subsection B of 16.34.6.8 NMAC, provided these hours do not exceed fifty percent of the required hours in New Mexico. If the allowed hours credited from work experience or apprenticeship training meet or exceed the equivalent of the New Mexico course of study, the applicant may obtain licensure through reciprocity.
- (3) An applicant who cannot obtain a license through reciprocity with the previous training and work experience, he will be required to obtain approval of the previous hours of training as stated in Subsection I of 16.34.6.8 NMAC, obtain the additional hours needed and submit to the New Mexico licensing examination applicable to the license he is seeking.

~~[F.] F.~~ In order to expedite the process of approving training hours and work experience for reciprocity applicants and transfer students, the board executive director may forward required documents to a member of the board who is also a licensee for approval.

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