

481—940.2(157) Initial licensure.

940.2(1) Requirements for licensure. All persons providing services in one or more practice disciplines shall hold a license issued by the board. The applicant shall:

a. Submit a completed online application and pay the nonrefundable fee specified in 481—subrule 507.5(1).

b. Demonstrate professional competence in one of the following ways:

(1) A person who is licensed in another jurisdiction may complete the licensure by endorsement application. If the applicant is licensed in another jurisdiction as an electrologist, nail technologist or esthetician, then a successful applicant will receive a license in such practice discipline. If the applicant is licensed in another jurisdiction as a barber or as a cosmetologist, and the applicant is requesting licensure in the practice discipline of barbering and cosmetology, then a successful applicant will receive a license as a barber and cosmetologist. All applicants must provide a verification of license from the jurisdiction in which the applicant has most recently been licensed, sent directly from the jurisdiction to the board office. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification from a jurisdiction's board office if the verification includes:

1. Licensee's name;
2. Date of initial licensure;
3. Current licensure status; and
4. Any disciplinary action taken against the license.

(2) A person who is licensed in another jurisdiction who is unable to satisfy the requirements of licensure by endorsement may apply for licensure by verification, if eligible, in accordance with rule 481—501.1(272C).

(3) An applicant who has relocated to Iowa from a state that did not require licensure to practice the profession may submit proof of work experience in lieu of educational and training requirements, if eligible, in accordance with rule 481—501.2(272C).

c. Provide proof of completion of education.

(1) If the applicant graduated from a school that is licensed by the board, the applicant is to direct the educational program to submit to the board a diploma or an official transcript indicating date of graduation and completion of required hours in each practice discipline for which the applicant is requesting licensure.

If an applicant graduates from a licensed school after completing a course of study constituting a legacy curriculum as prescribed in 481—subrule 941.14(6), such graduation will satisfy the education requirement for the applicable practice discipline for which the applicant is requesting licensure. For purposes of this subrule, a legacy curriculum in barbering or a legacy curriculum in cosmetology will be sufficient proof of education for an applicant requesting a license to practice barbering and cosmetology.

(2) If the applicant graduated from a school that is not licensed by the board, the applicant is to direct the school to provide an official transcript showing completion of a course of study that meets the requirements of rule 481—941.14(157).

(3) If the applicant has graduated from an apprenticeship program, the applicant must direct the Iowa office of apprenticeship registered apprenticeship program to submit a certificate of completion.

(4) If the applicant was educated outside the United States, the applicant is to attach an original evaluation of the applicant's education from any accredited evaluation service.

940.2(2) Requirements for an instructor's license. An applicant for an instructor's license shall:

a. Submit a completed application for licensure and the appropriate fee to the board;

b. Be licensed in the state of Iowa in the prescribed practice discipline to be taught or be licensed as a barber and cosmetologist who possesses the skill and knowledge required to instruct in that practice discipline;

c. Provide documentation of completion of 1,000 hours of instructor's training or two years' active practice in the field of barbering and cosmetology, esthetics, electrology, or nail technology within six years prior to application;

d. For an instructor of electrology license, submit proof of 60 hours of practical experience, excluding school hours, in the area of electrolysis prior to application;

e. Pass an instructor's national examination, which, effective January 1, 2008, shall be the NIC instructor examination unless the applicant is applying for an instructor's license by endorsement as outlined in paragraph 60.2(1)"b."

940.2(3) Conditions. The following conditions apply for all licenses:

a. Incomplete applications that have been on file in the board office for more than two years shall be considered invalid and shall be destroyed.

b. Licensees who were issued their initial licenses within six months prior to the license renewal beginning date are not required to renew their licenses until the renewal month two years later.

c. The board may issue a single license number and expiration date to licensees who hold licenses in multiple practice disciplines.

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