

**645—180.2(154) Requirements for licensure.**

**180.2(1)** The following criteria shall apply to licensure:

- a.* An applicant shall complete an application.
- b.* An applicant shall complete the application form according to the instructions contained in the application. If the application is not completed according to the instructions, the application will not be reviewed by the board.
- c.* An applicant shall submit the appropriate fees payable to the Board of Optometry. The fees are nonrefundable.
- d.* No application will be considered complete until official copies of academic transcripts sent directly to the board from an accredited school or college of optometry are received by the board and the applicant submits proof of satisfactory completion of all educational requirements contained in Iowa Code chapter 154.
- e.* An applicant shall pass all parts of the NBEO examination in effect at the time of application.
- f.* Licensees who were issued their licenses within six months prior to the renewal date shall not be required to renew their licenses until the renewal date two years later.
- g.* Submitting complete application materials. An application for an optometry license will be considered active for two years from the date the application is received. If the applicant does not submit all materials within this time period or if the applicant does not meet the requirements for the license, the application shall be considered incomplete. An applicant whose application is filed incomplete must submit a new application, supporting materials, and the application fee. The board shall destroy incomplete applications after two years.
- h.* An applicant shall provide an official verification regarding the status of the applicant's license from the board of examiners in each state in which the applicant is currently or was formerly licensed.

**180.2(2)** Rescinded IAB 8/7/13, effective 9/11/13.

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