

**193E—3.2(543B) License examination.** Examinations for licensure as a real estate broker shall be conducted by the commission or its authorized representative.

**3.2(1)** Testing service. The commission shall negotiate an agreement with a testing service relating to examination development, test scheduling, examination sites, grade reporting and analysis. The commission shall approve the form, contract, and method of administration. The examination shall be conducted in accordance with approved procedures formulated by the testing agency. Applicants shall register and pay examination fees directly to the testing service.

**3.2(2)** Requests for substitution, waiver, or variance. An examinee must meet the requirements set out in Iowa Code section 543B.15. Requests for substitution, waiver, or variance of commission rules or of the qualifications for licensure as permitted by Iowa Code section 543B.15 shall be submitted in writing and as provided by the commission's rules regarding waivers and variances which can be found in the uniform rules for the professional licensing and regulation division at 193—Chapter 5. The commission will consider each case on an individual basis. It may require additional supporting information. If the applicant's experience or prelicense education is found to be less than equivalent to the statutory requirement, the commission may suggest methods of satisfying the deficiency. If a waiver is granted, the applicable examination must be passed before the end of the sixth month following the date of the waiver.

**3.2(3)** Evidence of completion of prelicense education required. An examinee shall be required to show evidence at the examination site that required prelicense education has been completed. If the commission has granted substitution, waiver, or variance of prelicense education, the letter granting substitution, waiver, or variance will serve as evidence of completion. Persons planning to qualify under rule 193E—5.3(543B) must obtain written authorization from the commission to show at the examination site.

**3.2(4)** Failure to pass examination. An examinee who takes an examination and fails shall be eligible to apply to retake the examination at any time the examination is offered by filing a new registration form and paying the examination fee, unless the qualifying time period for the prelicense education or granted waiver has expired.

**3.2(5)** The commission may waive the examination requirement for a nonresident applicant licensed by examination under the laws of a state or jurisdiction having similar requirements and which has a current reciprocal licensing agreement or memorandum in place with Iowa that extends similar recognition to Iowa licensees, as provided in Iowa Code section 543B.21.