

701—103.3(441) Eligibility requirements to take the examination.

103.3(1) *High school diploma or its equivalent.* Only persons who possess a high school diploma or its equivalent are eligible to take the examination. The equivalent of high school diploma shall consist of a high school equivalency diploma issued by the department of education pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 259A, a similar document issued by the U.S. armed forces, or a similar document issued by another state.

103.3(2) *Preliminary education requirements.*

a. Only persons who have successfully completed the preliminary education requirements are eligible to take the examination. These requirements may be met by achieving one of the following:

(1) Successful completion of a department-approved course on Iowa assessment and taxation that includes coursework on Iowa laws within the time frame defined in paragraph 103.3(2) “*b*”;

(2) Successful completion of a department-approved course on general appraisal and assessment practice in addition to a department-approved course on Iowa laws. Both courses must be successfully completed within the time frame defined in paragraph 103.3(2) “*b*”; or

(3) Receipt of a currently active department-approved professional appraisal designation from a recognized appraisal organization in conjunction with successful completion of a department-approved course on Iowa laws within the time frame defined in paragraph 103.3(2) “*b*” if the appraisal designation is not already specific to Iowa.

b. All required coursework must be completed within five years prior to the date of the examination.

c. For the purposes of this subrule, “successful completion” shall mean answering a minimum of 70 percent of questions correctly on the test given at the completion of the course.

d. The department will publish a list of approved courses and professional designations on its official website.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 441.5.

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