

SECTION .1500 - ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: EXAMINATIONS

21 NCAC 46 .1501 APPLICATION

(a) All applications for examination shall be made on forms provided by the Board, filed with the Board 45 days prior to the date of the examination, and accompanied by the required fee.

(b) All applicants shall submit to the Board a signed release form, completed Fingerprint Record Card, and such other form(s) required to perform a criminal history check at the time of application.

History Note: Legislative Objection Lodged Eff. March 29, 1983;
Authority G.S. 90-85.6; 90-85.15; 90-85.24;
Eff. April 1, 1983;
Curative Eff. April 1, 1983;
Amended Eff. July 1, 2005; May 1, 1989.

21 NCAC 46 .1502 AGE

Proof of age must be shown by birth certificate, biblical records, or other acceptable proof.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-85.15; 93B-9;
Eff. April 1, 1983;
Amended Eff. May 1, 1989.

21 NCAC 46 .1503 EXPERIENCE IN PHARMACY

(a) An applicant for license must show that he has received 1500 hours of practical experience under the supervision of a licensed pharmacist which has been acquired after the satisfactory completion of two years of college work. The Board shall accept hours of experience certified by the school from which the applicant has graduated.

(b) All practical pharmacy experience to be acceptable must be acquired under the general conditions approved by the Board as follows:

- (1) All practical pharmacy experience must be validated through registration in the internship program administered by the Board.
- (2) Persons working under the supervision of registered pharmacists and expecting to qualify for the registered pharmacist examination must notify the Board within five days of the beginning and the ending of such employment.
- (3) The Board shall not allow credit for claims of practical experience required under the pharmacy laws, unless such claims can be corroborated by records on file in the Board's office showing the beginning and the ending of the practical experience claimed as supplied by the applicant during this training period.
- (4) Practical experience shall be credited only when it has been obtained in a location holding a pharmacy permit, or a location approved by the Board for that purpose.

(c) The pharmacist intern, or student, and the pharmacist preceptor, or supervising pharmacist, shall at all times comply with the Board's rules and the laws governing the practice of pharmacy and the distribution of drugs. Failure of the pharmacist intern to do so is grounds to disqualify the period of experience from counting toward the minimum requirements. A pharmacist preceptor who causes or permits a pharmacist intern to violate the Board's rules or the laws governing the practice of pharmacy and the distribution of drugs forfeits his right to supervise such experience for a period of time determined by the Board. A pharmacist who has been found in violation of laws, rules, or regulations governing the practice of pharmacy and the distribution of drugs cannot serve as a preceptor without the approval by the Board.

(d) The Board may accept training in pharmacy gained in another state pursuant to internship registration in this or another state if the Board is satisfied that such training is equivalent.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-85.6; 90-85.14; 90-85.15; 90-85.38;
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Amended Eff. March 1, 2004; September 1, 1993; April 1, 1992; October 1, 1990; May 1, 1989.

21 NCAC 46 .1504 EDUCATION

All applicants shall furnish on forms provided by the Board satisfactory evidence that they have received an undergraduate professional degree from an approved school.

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21 NCAC 46 .1505 EXAMINATION

- (a) The applicant shall pass the following examinations:
 - (1) the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (“NAPLEX”); and
 - (2) the North Carolina version of the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (“MPJE”).
- (b) In order to pass either the NAPLEX or the MPJE, the applicant shall achieve the passing score set by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (or any organization designated by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy to administer the NAPLEX or the MPJE).
- (c) An applicant who achieves a passing score on one examination must achieve a passing score on the remaining examination within a two calendar year period starting from the date of the first passing score. Failure to achieve passing scores on both examinations in this two calendar year period shall result in the applicant’s application for licensure being denied. The applicant may, subject to the testing attempt limitations of Paragraph (d) of this Rule, reapply for licensure and restart the examination process.
- (d) The applicant shall be afforded a total of five attempts to achieve a passing score on each examination. Failure to achieve a passing score on each examination within five attempts shall result in the applicant being ineligible for licensure.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 90-85.15; 90-85.16;
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21 NCAC 46 .1506 RULES OF EXAMINATION CONDUCT

Candidates must not communicate in any way with another candidate, or give, receive, or use any information concerning the examination, except as specifically directed by the examiner. Any candidate who fails to observe this Rule shall be disqualified for the remainder of the examination and shall forfeit the right to have graded any examination he might have taken thus far. Candidates taking the examination must follow the Instructions given for each examination. Incorrect spelling, grammar, or illegible handwriting may affect the final rating. Time allotted for completion of each division of the examination shall be announced at the time of the examination.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 90-85.6; 90-85.15; 90-85.16;
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21 NCAC 46 .1507 PARTIAL EXAMINATION

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21 NCAC 46 .1508 PREREQUISITES FOR DISEASE STATE MANAGEMENT EXAMINATION

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