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20 CSR 2030-4.010 Filing Deadline—Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors

PURPOSE: This rule sets filing deadline for applicants for examination and license as professional engineers and professional land surveyors.

(1) Applications for examination and licensure as a professional engineer or professional land surveyor shall be filed with the board prior to the established filing deadline.


20 CSR 2030-4.030 Deferring Action on Applications

PURPOSE: This rule gives the board authority to defer action on applications.

The board, on its own motion, may continue or defer action on any pending application and nothing in these regulations shall be construed as limiting the authority of the board in such matters.


20 CSR 2030-4.050 Criteria to File Application Under 327.392, RSMo

PURPOSE: This rule requires that applications for licensure under section 327.392, RSMo be subject to criteria established by the board.

(1) All applications for licensure as a professional engineer under section 327.392.1, RSMo are subject to such criteria as established by the board. An applicant may apply for licensure under section 327.392.1, RSMo, who—

(A) Submits a complete application on forms prescribed by the board showing a minimum of twenty (20) years of satisfactory engineering experience;

(B) Holds a degree at the bachelor’s level or higher in engineering; and

(C) Passes the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) Principles and Practice of Engineering examination.

(2) All applications for licensure as a professional engineer under section 327.392.2, RSMo are subject to such criteria as established by the board. An applicant may apply for licensure under section 327.392.2, RSMo, who—

(A) Submits a complete application on forms prescribed by the board showing a minimum of four (4) years of satisfactory engineering experience;

(B) Holds a degree from an Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET, Inc.) or its equivalent and a doctorate in engineering from an institution that offers Engineering Accreditation Commission programs; and

(C) Passes the NCEES Principles and Practice of Engineering examination.


20 CSR 2030-4.055 Criteria to File Application under section 324.008.1., RSMo, for a Temporary Courtesy License (Rescinded March 30, 2021)


20 CSR 2030-4.060 Evaluation—Comity Applications—Architects

PURPOSE: This rule requires all individuals applying for licensure as an architect under section 327.381, RSMo to first obtain an NCARB certificate and file.

(1) Any person who was licensed in another state, territory, or possession of the United States or in another country may apply for licensure as an architect under section 327.381, RSMo after first obtaining a National Council of Architectural Registration Board (NCARB) certificate and file.

(2) Unless it grants an applicant waiver of educational and experience requirements under section (3), the board shall only consider comity licensure applications when accompanied by an NCARB certificate and file.

(3) Within six (6) months of an application for licensure by comity from a person, or within thirty (30) days of an application for licensure by comity from a nonresident or resident military spouse, who meets the following criteria, the board shall waive the requirement of an NCARB certificate and file if it finds that the applicant:

(A) Holds a current license as an architect in another state, possession, or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, and has held such license for a period of one (1) year;

(B) Has not had a license as an architect revoked by any oversight body;

(C) Is not currently under investigation.


is not currently under disciplinary action with any oversight body outside this state;
(D) Holds a license in good standing with an oversight body outside the state;
(E) Does not have a criminal record that would disqualify him or her for licensure in Missouri; and
(F) Holds a valid current license in the jurisdiction upon which the comity application is based on the date the board receives his or her application under this section.

(4) The board may require an applicant relying on section (3) to disclose any disciplinary action taken against the applicant by any oversight body in any jurisdiction in the United States, and may deny waiver and defer action or deny an application until such disciplinary action is resolved.

(5) No waiver of education or examination requirements granted under section (3) shall relieve any applicant of the requirement to take the Missouri-specific examination mandated by 20 CSR 2030-5.160. Nonresident and resident military spouses applying pursuant to section 324.009.3.(2), RSMo, shall not be required to take the Missouri specific examination mandated by 20 CSR 2030-5.160.


20 CSR 2030-4.070 Evaluation—Comity Applications—Professional Engineers

PURPOSE: This rule ensures that applicants for licensure as professional engineers meet the minimum requirements for licensure in Missouri.

(1) Any person applying for licensure as a professional engineer under section 327.381, RSMo who was licensed, in another state, territory, or possession of the United States or in another country without being required to pass the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) examinations, that is, the Fundamentals of Engineering Examination and the Principles and Practice of Engineering Examination, will be required to pass the NCEES examination(s) which he/she was not required to pass to attain his/her subsequent licensure(s) except that—
(A) If such person has been actively engaged in the practice of engineering for a period of twenty (20) years prior to the filing of his/her application for comity, such person need not take the NCEES Fundamentals of Engineering Examination; or
(B) An applicant has been granted a waiver of education and examination requirements pursuant to section (4).

(2) When a comity applicant is required to take one (1) or both of the NCEES Examinations, the applicant will not be licensed by comity until he/she passes all of the examinations required of the applicant.

(3) If the applicant fails to pass the required examination(s), he/she will be permitted unlimited reexaminations in accordance with NCEES policy.

(4) Within six (6) months of an application for licensure by comity from a person, or within thirty (30) days of an application for licensure by comity from a nonresident or resident military spouse, who meets the following criteria, the board shall waive the requirement of passing the NCEES examination if it finds that the applicant:
(A) Holds a current license as a professional engineer in another state, territory, or possession of the United States or the District of Columbia, and has held such license for a period of one (1) year;
(B) Has not had a license as a professional engineer revoked by any oversight body;
(C) Is not currently under investigation, is not the subject of any complaint pending, or is not currently under disciplinary action with any oversight body outside this state;
(D) Holds a license in good standing with an oversight body outside the state;
(E) Does not have a criminal record that would disqualify him or her for licensure in Missouri; and
(F) Holds a valid current license in the jurisdiction upon which the comity application is based on the date the board receives his or her application under this section.

(5) The board may require an applicant relying on section (4) to disclose any disciplinary action taken against the applicant by any oversight body in any jurisdiction in the United States, and may deny waiver and defer action or deny an application until such disciplinary action is resolved.

(6) No waiver of education or examination requirements granted under section (4) shall relieve any applicant of the requirement to take the Missouri-specific examination mandated by 20 CSR 2030-5.160. Nonresident and resident military spouses applying pursuant to section 324.009.3.(2), RSMo, shall not be required to take the Missouri specific examination mandated by 20 CSR 2030-5.160.


20 CSR 2030-4.080 Evaluation—Comity Applications—Professional Land Surveyors

PURPOSE: This rule outlines conditions under which the board will require a professional land surveying applicant under section 327.381, RSMo to take and pass an examination(s) as a prerequisite to licensure.

(1) Any person applying for licensure as a professional land surveyor under section 327.381, RSMo, who was licensed in another state, territory, or possession of the United States or in another country without being required to pass the National Council of Examiners in Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) examinations, that is, the Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination and the Principles and Practice of Land Surveying Examination; will be required to pass the NCEES examination(s) which he/she was not required to pass to attain his/her subsequent licensure(s) except that—
(A) If such person has been actively engaged in the practice of land surveying for a period of twenty (20) years prior to the filing of his/her application for comity, such person need not take the NCEES examination required to disclose any disciplinary action taken against the applicant by any oversight body in any jurisdiction in the United States, and may deny waiver and defer action or deny an application until such disciplinary action is resolved.
engaged in the practice of land surveying for a period of at least twenty (20) years prior to the filing of his/her application for comity, such person need not take the NCEES Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination; or

(B) An applicant has been granted a waiver of education and examination requirements pursuant to section (4) need not take the NCEES Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination.

(2) Any person applying for licensure as a professional land surveyor under section 327.381, RSMo, shall take and pass the Missouri Specific Examination covering Missouri surveying practice and Missouri statutes and rules relating to the practice of land surveying.

(3) When a comity applicant is required to take one (1) or both of the NCEES examinations as well as the Missouri Specific Examination, the applicant will not be licensed by comity until he or she passes all of the examinations required of the applicant.

(4) Within six (6) months of an application for licensure by comity from a person, or within thirty (30) days of an application for licensure by comity from a nonresident or resident military spouse, who meets the following criteria, the board shall waive the requirement of passing the NCEES examination if it finds that the applicant:

(A) Holds a current license as a professional land surveyor in another state, possession, or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, and has held such license for a period of one (1) year;

(B) Has not had a license as a professional land surveyor revoked by any oversight body;

(C) Is not currently under investigation, is not the subject of any complaint pending, or is not currently under disciplinary action with any oversight body outside this state;

(D) Holds a license in good standing with an oversight body outside the state;

(E) Does not have a criminal record that would disqualify him or her for licensure in Missouri;

(F) Holds a valid current license in the jurisdiction upon which the comity application is based on the date the board receives his or her application under this section.

(3) The board may require an applicant relying on section (2) to disclose any disciplinary action taken against the applicant by any oversight body in any jurisdiction in the United States, and may deny waiver and defer action or deny an application until such disciplinary action is resolved.

(4) No waiver of education or examination requirements granted under section (4) shall relieve any applicant of the requirement to take the Missouri-specific examination mandated by 20 CSR 2030-5.120(2). Nonresident and resident military spouses applying pursuant to section 324.009.3(2), RSMo, shall not be required to take the Missouri specific examination mandated by 20 CSR 2030-5.120(2).


20 CSR 2030-4.090 Evaluation—Comity Applications—Professional Landscape Architects

PURPOSE: This rule ensures that an applicant for licensure by comity meets the equivalent requirement for licensure in Missouri.

(1) Any person applying for licensure as a professional landscape architect under section 327.381, RSMo, who was licensed in another state, territory, or possession of the United States or in another country and has a degree in landscape architecture from an accredited school of landscape architecture, or who possesses an education which in the opinion of the board equals or exceeds the education received by a graduate of an accredited school, and who has acquired at least three (3) years of satisfactory landscape architectural experience and has taken and passed all sections of the landscape architectural registration examination administered by the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards (CLARB) may apply for licensure by comity.

(2) Within six (6) months of an application for licensure by comity from a person, or within thirty (30) days of an application for licensure by comity from a nonresident or resident military spouse, who meets the following criteria, the board shall waive the requirement of passing the landscape architectural registration examination (LARE) administered by CLARB if it finds that the applicant:

(A) Holds a current license as a professional landscape architect in another state, possession, or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, and has held such license for a period of one (1) year;

(B) Has not had a license as a professional landscape architect revoked by any oversight body;

(C) Is not currently under investigation, is not the subject of any complaint pending, or is not currently under disciplinary action with any oversight body outside this state;

(D) Holds a license in good standing with an oversight body outside the state;

(E) Does not have a criminal record that would disqualify him or her for licensure in Missouri;

(F) Holds a valid current license in the jurisdiction upon which the comity application is based on the date the board receives his or her application under this section.

(3) The board may require an applicant relying on section (2) to disclose any disciplinary action taken against the applicant by any oversight body in any jurisdiction in the United States, and may deny waiver and defer action or deny an application until such disciplinary action is resolved.

(4) No waiver of education or examination requirements granted under section (2) shall relieve any applicant of the requirement to take the Missouri-specific examination mandated by 20 CSR 2030-5.160. Nonresident and resident military spouses applying pursuant to section 324.009.3(2), RSMo, shall not be required to take the Missouri specific examination mandated by 20 CSR 2030-5.160.


20 CSR 2030-4.100 Applications—Formerly Licensed

PURPOSE: This rule sets timelines and procedures by which former licensees whose license has been revoked or surrendered may apply for relicensure.

(1) A person who formerly held a license granted by this board, which license was revoked by the board or surrendered by the licensee, may apply for new licensure subject to the provisions of this section.

(2) Any person who applies for licensure under sections 327.131, 327.221, 327.314, 327.392, or 327.612, RSMo, after revocation or voluntary surrender of a Missouri license must meet the following criteria for licensure:
   (A) After two (2) years have passed from the effective date of the order of revocation or date of affidavit of voluntary surrender, an applicant may apply to the board for such examination as may be required of new applicants in the applicant’s profession; and
   (B) Upon passage of the examination required for licensure in the applicant’s profession, the applicant may apply for issuance of a new license as if never licensed.

(3) Any person who applies for licensure by comity under section 327.381, RSMo, after revocation or voluntary surrender of a Missouri license must meet the following criteria for licensure:
   (A) After five (5) years have passed from the effective date of the order of revocation or affidavit of voluntary surrender, an applicant eligible for licensure by comity under section 327.381, RSMo may file an application for a new license without examination; and
   (B) An applicant under this subsection must show proof of completion of the continuing education hours consistent with the requirements of 20 CSR 2030 Chapter 8 and/or 20 CSR 2030 Chapter 11 for the applicant’s profession in the two (2) years immediately preceding the application.

(4) Any person who applies for licensure after revocation or voluntary surrender of a license on the ground of disciplinary action in another jurisdiction has been reissued, or otherwise returned to active status in good standing, which may include probationary licensure; and
   (B) An applicant under this subsection must show proof of completion of the continuing education hours consistent with the requirements of 20 CSR 2030 Chapter 8 and/or 20 CSR 2030 Chapter 11 for the applicant’s profession in the two (2) years immediately preceding the application.

(5) The board may require any applicant for examination or new licensure under sections (2), (3), and (4) above to personally appear before the board upon notice prepared to respond to questions concerning the nature of the cause for revocation or surrender of the applicant’s prior license and rehabilitation or other relevant information pertaining to the time since revocation or surrender of the license.
   (A) In any proceeding under this section, the person seeking licensure bears the burden of proving rehabilitation.
   (B) Factors relevant to rehabilitation may include, among other factors:
      1. Acknowledgement of wrongdoing or demonstration that the applicant understands the cause for the discipline;
      2. Action taken by the applicant to prevent recurrence of the conduct that resulted in the discipline;
      3. Action taken by the applicant to rehabilitate or address the underlying causes of the misconduct that resulted in discipline.
      4. Actions taken by the applicant to address and remediate harm caused by the misconduct.

(6) The board shall have discretion in all applications under this section to inquire into and take into account the nature of the conduct or factual basis of the revocation or surrender of the former license.

(7) The board retains discretion under sections 327.441 and 327.442, RSMo, to deny any application for examination or licensure based on prior misconduct or circumstances occurring between the order of revocation or affidavit of voluntary surrender and the entry of the board’s order, or to grant such application subject to a period and terms of probation pursuant to section 324.038, RSMo.
