

**Readopt with amendment Geo 302.01, effective 3/24/17 (Document #12152), to read as follows:**

Geo 302.01 Applicant for Licensure Requirements.

(a) Applicants for licensure shall meet the requirements established by RSA 310-A:125 before a license shall be granted.

(b) The applicant shall have performed no misconduct as set forth in RSA 310-A:133. The OPLC in consultation with the board shall consider all available evidence for all applicants for licensure, prior to granting any license. Substantiated evidence of failure to adhere to the ethical standards of the profession as set forth in Geo 501 or misconduct as set forth in RSA 310-A:133 shall result in denial of licensure to any applicant.

(c) Qualifications shall be determined as follows:

(1) The applicant shall have either of the following:

a. A bachelor's degree in geology or a bachelor's degree in a related field as required pursuant to RSA 310-A:125, and shall have 30 credit hours or 45 quarter hours in geology from an accredited 4-year college; or

b. A master's or doctoral degree from a graduate program from an accredited institution in geology or a related field including, but not limited to, degrees or credit hours in geochemistry, geohydrology, geomorphology, geophysics, groundwater geology, engineering geology, environmental geology, hydrogeology, hydrology, marine geology, mineralogy, mining geology, paleontology, petrography, petrology, sedimentology, stratigraphy, historical geology, or water resources studies;

(2) The applicant shall present evidence satisfactory to the board of at least 5 years of experience in the practice of geology, of which at least 3 years must have been under the supervision of a licensed professional geologist or a geologist who otherwise meets the requirements of a licensed professional geologist as determined by the board; and

(3) The applicant shall take the fundamentals and practice of geology examination's provided by the National Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG) and achieve a passing score.

**Readopt with amendment Geo 303.01, effective 3/24/17 (Document #12152), to read as follows:**

Geo 303.01 Examination Requirements.

(a) The Fundamentals of Geology examination and the Practice of Geology examination[s] shall be administered semi-annually each year on dates set by the National Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG).

(b) All applicants for licensure shall have successfully passed the National ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology examination and Practice of Geology examination.

(c) The board shall not conduct post examination reviews of the National ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology examination and Practice of Geology examination.

**Repeal Geo 303.02, effective 3/24/17 (Document #12152), as follows:**

~~[Geo 303.02 Re Examinations. Candidates failing an examination shall be entitled to re-examination upon payment of the examination fee pursuant to Geo 305.02.]~~

**Readopt with amendment Geo 305.01, effective 3/24/17 (Document #12152), to read as follows:**

Geo 305.01 Fees.

(a) The examination fees shall be paid by the applicant directly to the test administrator.

**Readopt with amendment Geo 305.02, effective 3/24/17 (Document #12152), amended effective 6/7/19 (Document #12800), to read as follows:**

Geo 305.02 Application, Examination, and Licensure Fees. The fees shall be as specified in Plc 1002.42.

#### APPENDIX

Rule	Specific State Statute the Rule Implements
Geo 302	RSA 310-A:121(c), RSA 310-A:125
Geo 303.01	RSA 310-A:125, I and RSA 310-A:121, I(b)
Geo 303.02	RSA 310-A:121(c) and RSA 310-A:129
Geo 305.01	RSA 541-A:16, I(b)
Geo 305.02(b) and (c)	RSA 541-A:16, I(b)