

**60-3-101. Licensure.** (a) Licensure by examination under K.S.A. 65-1115 and K.S.A. 65-1116, and amendments thereto.

(1) Not later than 30 days before the examination date, each applicant for licensure by examination shall file with the board a completed application on a form adopted by the board and ~~tender~~ pay the application fee prescribed by K.A.R. 60-4-101.

(2) ~~The application shall be filed on a form adopted by the board.~~ Each applicant shall be fingerprinted and submit to a state and national criminal history record check.

(3) Each applicant for nursing licensure shall take and be required to pass the examination prepared by the national council of state boards of nursing. The examination fee shall be paid as directed by the national council of state boards of nursing.

(4) Within 180 days after the board's receipt of the application, each applicant for licensure by examination shall submit proof that all qualifications for licensure have been met. If the applicant does not meet this requirement, the application shall be deemed abandoned and closed.

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(2) ~~Verification of a current Kansas license shall be provided to other state boards upon request and upon payment of the prescribed fee.~~ Each applicant shall be fingerprinted and submit to a state and national criminal history record check.

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(c) Information regarding examinations.

(1) The examination for licensure shall be administered at ~~designated sites~~ designated by the national council of state boards of nursing.

(2) Each ~~candidate-applicant~~ shall present a ~~validated admission card~~ the required documentation in order to be admitted to the examination center.

(3) ~~Any~~ Each applicant cheating or attempting to cheat during the examination shall be deemed not to have passed the examination.

(4) If the answer key is lost or destroyed through circumstances beyond the control of the ~~board~~ the national council of state boards of nursing, the ~~candidate-applicant~~ shall be required to retake the examination in order to meet requirements for licensure, except that there shall be no examination fee charged to the applicant.

(5) Individual examination results shall be released to the school from which the ~~examinee-applicant~~ graduated.

(6) ~~Any candidate~~ Each applicant requesting modifications to the examination procedures or materials because of a ~~learning~~ disability shall provide written documentation from the appropriate medical professional confirming the ~~learning~~ disability, an evaluation completed within the last five years by a ~~learning~~ disabilities evaluation team, and a letter from the nursing program confirming learning and testing modifications made during the course of study.

(d) Application for reexamination. Any applicant who fails to make a passing score on the licensure examination may retake the examination ~~and~~. The applicant shall pay an examination fee as directed by the national council of state boards of nursing for each retest as established by K.A.R. 60-4-101.

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(f) Licensure for endorsement under K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 48-3406, as amended by L. 2021, ch. 70, sec. 1, and amendments thereto.

(1) Each applicant for licensure by endorsement shall file with the board a completed application on a form approved by the board, pay the application fee prescribed by K.A.R. 60-4-101, and submit proof that the requirements in paragraphs (b)(2) and (3) have been met.

(2) If the applicant does not qualify for licensure under paragraph (f)(1), the applicant shall submit the following to the board:

(A) A completed application, on a form approved by the board, with a signed affidavit;

(B) the application fee prescribed by K.A.R. 60-4-101; and

(C) proof that the applicant meets the following requirements:

(i) Holds a current valid license in another state, district, or territory of the United States that the board determines authorizes a similar scope of practice of nursing in K.S.A. 65-1113, and amendments thereto;

(ii) has worked for at least one year as registered professional nurse, a licensed practical nurse, or an advanced practice registered nurse;

(iii) meets the qualifications in paragraphs (c)(2)(C) and (D) of K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 48-3406, as amended by L. 2021, ch. 70, sec. 1, and amendments thereto;

(iv) does not have a disqualifying criminal record, as specified in K.S.A. 65-1120 and amendments thereto; and

(v) has been in the active practice of nursing for which licensure is sought during the two years preceding the application date. Active practice shall mean that in the calendar year immediately before the application date, the applicant worked for at least 1,000 hours in the scope of practice for which licensure is sought. If the applicant was not engaged in the active practice of nursing for the two years preceding the application date, the applicant shall complete any additional testing, training, monitoring, or continuing education that the board deems necessary to protect the health and safety of the public as provided in K.S.A. 48-3406, as amended by L. 2021, ch. 70, sec. 1, and amendments thereto.

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