

NIC STATE EDUCATION AND LICENSING GUIDE



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ALABAMA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Alabama Board of Cosmetology and Barbering	https://aboc.alabama.gov	334-242-1918	cosmetology@aboc.alabama.gov	PO Box 301750 Montgomery, AL 36130-1750
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Jeannie Price	Jeannie.price@aboc.alabama.gov	334-242-1937		
Agency Structure	Description			
State Board	Independent board consisting of seven members: 6 industry professionals and one consumer Executive Director is appointed by the Governor			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Denise Hankin	Denise.hankin@aboc.alabama.gov	334-242-1910	PO Box 301750 Montgomery, AL 36130-1750			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email or mail					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email or mail					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	10 th grade	16	No	NIC Theory	NIC Practical
Esthetician	1000	10 th grade	16	No	NIC Theory	NIC Practical
Nail Technician (manicure)	750	10 th grade	16	No	NIC Theory	NIC Practical
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	N/A					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A					
Barber (w/chemicals)	1000	10 th grade	16	No	NIC Theory	NIC Practical
Barber (w/o chemicals)	N/A (not regulated)					
Instructor	1500 instructor training course OR 1 year experience in shop plus 650 hours instructor training	YES	18	No	NIC Theory	NIC Practical
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	210	10 th grade	16	No	NIC Theory	NIC Practical
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A					
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
None at this time – under consideration						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	N/A				
General Theory	NIC	Prometric	Prometric since 10/1/2021; PSI previously	English Korean Vietnamese Spanish	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	Prometric	Prometric since 10/1/2021; PSI previously	English	
Written Practical	N/A				

ALASKA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
AK Board of Barbers & Hairdressers	https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofBarbersHairdressers.aspx	907-465-2550 Reception	boardofbarbershairdressers@alaska.gov	PO Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
VACANT, Records and Licensing Supervisor	PUBLIC: boardofbarbershairdressers@alaska.gov	907-465-2550 Reception		PO Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806
Wanda Whitcomb, Licensing Examiner	PUBLIC: boardofbarbershairdressers@alaska.gov	907-465-2550 Reception		PO Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806
Agency Structure	Description			
Division within larger agency	7 board members appointed by Governor. Administrative staff perform operational duties and report to board			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Any staff – Cynthia or Wanda	PUBLIC: boardofbarbershairdressers@alaska.gov	907-465-2550 Reception	PO Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Mail or Email boardofbarbershairdressers@alaska.gov	907-465-2550 Reception				
State receives certifications from other states by:	Mail or Email boardofbarbershairdressers@alaska.gov	907-465-2550 Reception	PO Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Licenses issued June 30, 2021 – June 30, 2022	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)		DO NOT ISSUE THIS LICENSE TYPE/TITLE					
Esthetician	105	350 school or apprentice	Not Required	None	Not Required	Required	Required "Proficiency" exam administered at completion of training in school or apprenticeship program
Nail Technician (manicure)		DO NOT ISSUE THIS LICENSE TYPE/TITLE					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals		DO NOT ISSUE THIS LICENSE TYPE/TITLE					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o Chemicals		DO NOT ISSUE THIS LICENSE TYPE/TITLE					
Barber (w/chemicals)	9	1650 School or 2000 Apprentice	Not Required	None	Not Required	Required	Required "Proficiency" exam administered at completion of training in school or apprenticeship program
Barber (w/o chemicals) - Non Chemical Barber	6	1350 School or 1600 Apprentice	Not Required	None	Not Required	Required	Required "Proficiency" exam administered at

							completion of training in school or apprenticeship program
Instructor	25	1-year license followed by 600 school hours - student instructor training only OR 3 years licensed work experience	Not Required	None	Not Required	Required	Not Required
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	15	35-hour course in hair braiding/health/safety/sanitation through a school or individual licensed and approved by the board in a licensed shop followed by program administered written exam.	Not Required	None	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required
Advanced (Master) Esthetics		DO NOT ISSUE THIS LICENSE TYPE/TITLE					
Hairdresser	74	1650 School or 2000 Apprentice	Not Required	None	Not Required	Required	Required "Proficiency" exam administered at completion of training in school or apprenticeship program
Manicurist	96	12-hour safety/sanitation course in school followed by school administered written exam	Not Required	None	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required
Manicurist w/ Advanced Endorsement	6	250 School	Not Required	None	Not Required	Required	Not Required
Body Piercer	2	1000 Apprentice	Not Required	None	Not Required	Required	Not Required
Tattoo	20	1000 Apprentice	Not Required	None	Not Required	Required	Not Required
Permanent Cosmetic Colorist	9	250 Apprentice	Not Required	None	Not Required	Required	Not Required
Continuing Education	Hours Required		How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
N/A							

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	N/A				
General Theory	NIC	ProV	10/01/2022	Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean	
Hands-On Practical	Effective December 2020 the Practical Examination component for licensure was removed and replaced with a Proficiency Examination. Proficiency examinations must be administered by the school or Instructor (apprenticeship) at the conclusion of training in accordance with 12 AAC 09.050. Students/apprentices who completed training prior to December 2020 still must provide proof of passing a Proficiency Examination by requesting their school/Instructor complete and submit an updated Completion of Training form		School or Apprentice Program		Effective December 2020 the Practical Examination component for licensure was removed and replaced with a Proficiency Examination. Proficiency examinations must be administered by the school or Instructor

					(apprenticeship) at the conclusion of training in accordance with 12 AAC 09.050. Students/apprentices who completed training prior to December 2020 still must provide proof of passing a Proficiency Examination by requesting their school/instructor complete and submit an updated Completion of Training form
Written Practical		N/A			

ARIZONA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Arizona State Board of Cosmetology	https://Boc.az.gov	480-784-4539		1740 W Adams #4400, Phoenix, AZ 85007
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Executive Director – Frank Migali	fmigali@bcb.az.gov	480-784-4632		
Agency Structure	Description			
	7 board members appointed by the Governor			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:						
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1600	2 years HS	18	No	Required	Required
Esthetician	600	2 years HS	18		Required	Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	600	2 years HS	18		Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	1000	2 years HS	18		Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)						
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor	1 year practice. Instructor Training 350,					
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
N/A						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC	Virtual/PCS		Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	Virtual/PCS			
Written Practical	NIC	Prometric			

ARKANSAS

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Arkansas Department of Health – Cosmetology Section	www.healthy.arkansas.gov	501-682-2168	cosmo@arkansas.gov	4815 West Markham, Slot #8 Little Rock, AR 72205
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Kelli Kersey, Section Chief	Kelli.kersey@arkansas.gov	501-682-2168		
Agency Structure	Description			
Organizational Agency	Under a governmental agency along with other Boards/Commissions which are under the authority of the Arkansas Department of Health			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Kelli Kersey/Teri Dwyer	Cosmo@arkansas.gov	501-682-2168	4815 West Markham, Slot #8 Little Rock, AR 72205	Certifications are currently sent and received by Rachel Franks		
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email/fax/mail	501-682-2168	4815 West Markham, Slot #8 Little Rock, AR 72205			
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email/fax/mail – cosmo@arkansas.gov 501-682-5640 fax	501-682-2168	4815 West Markham, Slot #8 Little Rock, AR 72205			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	No – 10 th grade	16 years of age	Law	Yes	Yes
Esthetician	600	No – 10 th grade	16 years of age	Law	Yes	Yes
Nail Technician (manicure)	600	No – 10 th grade	16 years of age	Law	Yes	Yes
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Barber (w/chemicals)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Barber (w/o chemicals)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Instructor	600	Yes – 12 th grade	21 years of age	Law	Yes	Yes
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	80 Hours Health & Safety Course 40 Hours Scalp Care Course	No	N/A	Law	No	No
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Electrologist	600 w/o Cosmetology license 350 with Cosmetology license	Yes – 12 th grade	18 years of age	Law	Yes	Yes
Electrology Instructor	Three (3) years of practical experience as an electrologist in the State of Arkansas within the past five (5) years	Yes – 12 th grade	21 years of age	Law	Yes	Yes
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Instructor License only	8 hours	Biennial	Continuing education course certified by the Department of			

		when license is due for renewal	Health – Cosmetology Section	
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EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	Cosmetology Section	PSI	2007	English/Spanish/Vietnamese/Korean	
General Theory	NIC	PSI	2000	English/Spanish/Vietnamese/Korean	Not sure of the exact date
Hands-On Practical	Cosmetology Section	School	1/1/2019	English	Before 2019, the exam was developed by NIC and Administered by the Cosmetology Technical Advisory Committee
Written Practical	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

CALIFORNIA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology	www.barbercosmo.ca.gov	916-575-7100	Barbercosmo@dca.ca.gov	2420 Del Paso Road # 100 Sacramento, CA 95834
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Kristy Underwood	Kristy.underwood@dca.ca.gov	916-575-7111		
Agency Structure	Description			
Division within Larger Agency	Total of 13 members. 11 members appointed by the Governor (5 Public and 6 Industry). The Senate Rules Committee and Speaker of the Assembly each appoint one public member.			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Alexandria Torkelson	Alexandria.torkelson@dca.ca.gov	916-575-7100	2420 Del Paso Road # 100 Sacramento CA 95834			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Any Format					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologist	1000	10 th Grade Education	17	Not Required	Required	Not Required
Esthetician	600	10 th Grade Education	17	Not Required	Required	Not Required
Manicurist	400	10 th Grade Education	17	Not Required	Required	Not Required
Barber	1000	10 th Grade Education	17	Not Required	Required	Not Required
Electrologist	600	Required	17	Not Required	Required	Not Required
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Not Required						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
Theory Exam		PSI			
Hands-On Practical	N/A				
Written Practical		PSI			

COLORADO

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure	https://dpo.colorado.gov/BarberCosmetology	303.897.7800	dora_barber-cosmetology@state.co.us	1560 Broadway, Ste 1300, Denver, CO 80202
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Ofelia Duran	Ofelia.duran@state.co.us	303.897.7794 (Direct)		
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella Agency	Advisory Committee for the Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure within the umbrella agency.			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Sole source verification available on website					
State receives certifications from other states by:	dora_dpo_licensing@state.co.us	303.894.7800	1560 Broadway, Ste 1300, Denver, CO 80202			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500 clock hrs or 50 credits	NO	16	NO	YES	YES
Esthetician	600 clock hrs OR 20 credits	NO	16	NO	YES	YES
Nail Technician (manicure)	600 clock hrs OR 20 credits	NO	16	NO	YES	YES
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	1200 clock hrs OR 40 credits	NO	16	NO	YES	YES
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Barber (w/chemicals)	1500 clock hrs OR 50 credits	NO	16	NO	YES	YES
Barber (w/o chemicals)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Instructor	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment		
CE only required to reinstate if expired 2 years or more.	16 hrs 2 to 5 years expired 24 hrs over 5 years expired		Any time of education that improves the licensee's skills based on the professional license they hold.			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	State office and PSI-included in general theory	Exam vendor- PSI	2013	NO	
General Theory	Exam vendor- PSI	Exam vendor- PSI	2013	NO	English translation dictionary is permitted by exam candidates.
Hands-On Practical	Exam vendor- PSI	Exam vendor- PSI	2013	NO	
Written Practical	N/A	N/A			

CONNECTICUT

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
CT Examining Board for Barbers, Hairdressers and Cosmeticians	https://Portal.ct.gov	860-509-7603	Dph.hairdresserteam@ct.gov	410 Capital Ave Hartford MS #13PHO, CT 06134
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Frank Manna	Frank.manna@ct.gov	860-509-8126		
Agency Structure	Description			
Stand alone agency or Board	Board members appointed by Governor			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Frank Manna	Frank.manna@ct.gov	860-509-8126				
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Any					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	Required	9th		Required	Hands-on and written
Esthetician	600					
Nail Technician (manicure)	100					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals					Required	
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)	1000					
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Eye Lash Tech	50					
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
N/A						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC	Prometric	2022	Spanish	
Hands-On Practical					
Written Practical					

DELAWARE

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Delaware Board of Cosmetology and Barbering	www.dpr.delaware.gov	302-744-4500	Customerservice.dpr@delaware.gov	Cannon Building, Suite 203, 861 Silver Lake Blvd, Dover, DE 19904
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Board Contact: Danielle Ridgway	Danielle.ridgway@delaware.gov			
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella agency	13 board members appointed by Governor			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
	Customerservice.dpr@delaware.gov	302-744-4500				
State sends certifications to other states by:						
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	10th			Required	Required
Esthetician	600	10th			Required	Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	300	10th			Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)	1250	10th			Required	Required
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Electrology	300	10th			Required	Required
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
None						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC	Prometric		English	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	Prometric		English	
Written Practical					

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
DC Board of Barber and Cosmetology (Dept of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs)	https://dcra.dc.gov/barbers-cosmetology	202-442-4320	Rashan.broadnax@dc.gov	Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs 1100 – 4 th Street, SW; Washington, DC 20020
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Rashan Broadnax	rashan.broadnax@dc.gov	202.442-4320		Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs 1100 – 4 th Street, SW; Washington, DC 20020
Agency Structure	Description			
Program Coordinator, Nicole McClendon	Reports to the Executive Director – oversees the staff work, board/industry meetings and members, applications, complaints, and industry approvals.			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Rashan Broadnax and/or Kenya Johnson	Rashan.broadnax@dc.gov or Kenya.johnson@dc.gov	202-704-9086	Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs 1100 – 4 th Street, SW; Washington, DC 20020			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Rashan.broadnax@dc.gov or Kenya.johnson@dc.gov	202-704-9086	Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs 1100 – 4 th Street, SW; Washington, DC 20020			
State receives certifications from other states by:	Rashan.broadnax@dc.gov	202-704-9086				

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	Has completed the tenth (10th) grade or higher, unless otherwise indicated - **	17		YES	YES
Esthetician	600	**	18		YES	YES
Nail Technician (manicure)	350	**	17		YES	YES
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	N/A to DC					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A to DC					
Barber (w/chemicals)	N/A to DC					
Barber (w/o chemicals)	N/A to DC					
Instructor	Basic Operator License – plus 1000 instructor hours	**	18		YES	YES
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	100	**	17		YES	NO
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	Basic Esthetics plus 600 additional master/advance education		18		YES	NO
Electrology	600	Applicants as an electrologist shall furnish proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant has completed high-school or	18			

		passed the GED			
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment	
YES – Barber and Cosmetology	Six (6) hours total	2-year license cycle	Two (2) Mandatory – Health, Safety & Welfare	Must complete to renew license	

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	<p>STATUTES https://code.dccouncil.us/us/dc/council/code/sections/47-2853.06.html</p> <p>https://code.dccouncil.us/us/dc/council/code/titles/47/chapters/28/subchapters/I-B/parts/D (Barbers)</p> <p>https://code.dccouncil.us/us/dc/council/code/titles/47/chapters/28/subchapters/I-B/parts/E (Cosmetologists)</p> <p>Board Regulations/Rules https://dcregs.dc.gov/Commission/DCMR/RuleList.aspx?ChapterNum=17-37</p>				§ 47–2853.81. Scope of practice for cosmetologists. For the purposes of this part, the term “practice of cosmetology” means providing or offering to the general public for a fee any of the following services solely for cosmetic purposes: bleaching, braiding, coloring, curling, cutting, dressing, eyebrow arching, the use of devices or chemicals to straighten, curl, or wave hair, shampooing, singeing, styling, weaving, or similar work performed upon the face, hair, hairpiece, or wig of a person; electrolysis; esthetics; and manicuring. The practice of cosmetology shall not include shaving or trimming the beard or moustache of a person.
General Theory – YES (CBT)	NIC	PSI		Korean, Spanish, Vietnamese and	
Hands-On Practical - YES	DC Board of Barber and Cosmetology	DC Board of Barber & Cosmetology			
Written Practical	NO (not currently)				

FLORIDA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
State of Florida	www.myfloridalicense.com	850-487-1395		2601 Blairstone Road Tallahassee, Florida 32399
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Krista B. Woodard	Krista.woodard@myfloridalicense.com	850-717-1980		
Agency Structure	Description			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Krista B. Woodard	Krista.woodard@myfloridalicense.com	850-487-1395	2601 Blairstone Road Tallahassee, Florida 32399			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email and mail					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Any format					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1200	No	16	Yes	Yes	Written
Esthetician						
Nail Technician (manicure)	180	No	16	No	No	No
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)	900	No	16	Yes	Yes	Written
Barber (w/o chemicals)	600	No	16	Yes	No	Written
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Facial Specialist	220	No	16	No	No	No
Full Specialist	400	No	16	No	No	No
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Cosmetology	10	Biennially	See Rule 61G5-32.001, Florida Administrative Code		See Rule 61G5-32.001, Florida Administrative Code	
Barbers	2	Biennially	Board Approved HIV/AIDS			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	DPBR	PearsonVUE	Uncertain	Yes	
General Theory	DBPR	PearsonVUE	Uncertain	Yes	
Hands-On Practical	N/A			N/A	
Written Practical	DBPR	PearsonVUE	Uncertain	Yes	

GEORGIA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Georgia State Board of Cosmetology & Barbers	www.sos.ga.gov/page/about-georgia-state-board-cosmetology-and-barbers	404-424-9966	PLB-Trades2@sos.ga.gov	237 Coliseum Dr Macon, GA 31217
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Chris Jones	cjones@sos.ga.gov			
Agency Structure	Description			
Division within Larger Agency	9 members appointed by the Governor			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number				
State sends certifications to other states by:	EMAIL					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Any format					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	Required	16 to apprentice	No	Required	Hands-on
Esthetician	1000	Required	16 to apprentice	No	Required	Hands-On
Nail Technician (manicure)	525	Required	16 to apprentice	No	Required	Hands-on
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	1250	Required	16 to apprentice	No	Required	Hands-on
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals		Required	16 to apprentice	No	Required	Hands-on
Barber (w/chemicals)	1500	Required	16 to apprentice	No	Required	Hands-on
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Required	5	Renewal	3 hr Health & Safety 2 Hr Elective		Instructors !5hrs	

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	NO				
General Theory	NIC	PSI	2011	NO	English only
Hands-On Practical	NIC	PSI	2011	NO	
Written Practical					

GUAM

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Guam Board of Barbering & Cosmetology	https://guamhplo.org/gbbc	+1671-7357408	Nicole.romero@dphss.guam.gov	194 Hernam Cortez Ave, Terlaje Professional Bldg., Ste 213, Hagatna, GU 96910
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Contact: Nicole Romero	Nicole.romero@dphss.guam.gov	+1671-735-7408		
Agency Structure	Description			
	5 member Board			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Nicole Romero	Nicole.romero@dphss.guam.gov	1+671-735-7408	Same as above			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1600		18		Yes	Yes
Esthetician	600		18		Yes	Yes
Nail Technician (manicure)	400		18		Yes	Yes
Barber (w/chemicals)	1600		18		Yes	Yes
Instructor	600		18		Yes	Yes

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Since (Date)	Administered by	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
General Theory	NIC		State		
Hands-On Practical	NIC		State		
Written Practical					

HAWAII

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs Professional and Vocational Licensing Division	https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/	(808) 586-3000	pvl@dcca.hawaii.gov	PO BOX 3469 Honolulu, HI 96801
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Executive Officers: Kerrie Shahan and Lei Ana Green	barber_cosm@dcca.hawaii.gov	(808) 586-2692		
Agency Structure	Description			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Licensing Branch/Records Section	pvl@dcca.hawaii.gov	(808) 586-3000	PO BOX 3469 Honolulu, HI 96801			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Mail					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Mail/Email Directly to Hawaii Board					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total # of Licenses Issued this Past Year (2021)	School/Apprentice Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Beauty Operator: Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/reports/	1800 school or 3600 apprenticeship hours	an education equivalent to the completion of high school	16	Not Required	Required: NIC examination	Not Required
Beauty Operator: Hairdresser	https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/reports/	1,250 school or 2500 apprenticeship hours	an education equivalent to the completion of high school	16	Not Required	Required: NIC examination	
Beauty Operator: Esthetician	https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/reports/	600 school or 1200 apprenticeship hours	an education equivalent to the completion of high school	16	Not Required	Required: NIC examination	Not Required
Beauty Operator: Nail Technician (manicure)	https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/reports/	350 school or 700 apprenticeship hours	an education equivalent to the completion of high school	16	Not Required	Required: NIC examination	Not Required
Barber (w/chemicals)		1500 school or apprenticeship hours	an education equivalent to the completion of high school	16	Not Required	Required: NIC examination	Not Required
Beauty Instructor		600 school hours only and 1 year of licensed beauty operator experience	n/a	16	Not Required	Required: NIC examination	Not Required
Continuing Education		Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment		
Not Required							

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC (National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology)	Prometric	March 24, 2020	English Only	
Hands-On Practical					
Written Practical					

IDAHO

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses-Idaho Barber and Cosmetology Licensing Services Board	https://dopl.idaho.gov/	208-334-3233	bcb@dopl.idaho.gov	PO Box 83720 Boise ID 83720-0063
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Kent Absec	bcb@dopl.idaho.gov	208-334-3233		
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella Agency	7-member Board appointed by the Governor (6 Industry and 1 Public Member)			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
BCB Board	bcb@dopl.idaho.gov	208-334-3233	PO Box 83720 Boise ID 83720-0063			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email or Mail					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Licenses Issues 2021	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	13091	1,600	Yes	16 ½	No	NIC	NIC
Esthetician	2821	600	Yes	16 ½	No	NIC	NIC
Nail Technician (manicure)	2996	400	Yes	16 ½	No	NIC	NIC
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	n/a	NA					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	n/a	NA					
Barber (w/chemicals)	335	1,500	Yes	16 ½	No	NIC	NIC
Barber (w/o chemicals)	842	900	Yes	16 ½	No	NIC	NIC
Instructor	938	500/900	Yes	16 ½	No	NIC	NIC
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	n/a	NA					
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	n/a	NA					
Other- Make-Up Certificate	8	100	Yes	16 ½	No	No	No
Continuing Education	Hours Required		How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
NA							

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	NA				
General Theory	NIC	DL Roope/ Prometric		None	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	DL Roope/ Prometric		None	
Written Practical					

ILLINOIS

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Illinois Board of Cosmetology	https://idfpr.com	888-473-4858		555 West Monroe St., 5 th Floor, Chicago, IL 60661
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Board Liaison: James Koehl	james.koehl@illinois.gov	217-782-6742		
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella agency				

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:						
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	HS	16		Required	
Esthetician	750		16		Required	
Nail Technician (manicure)	350		16		Required	
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)	1500		16		Required	
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor	Bar 500 w/3yrs exp or 1000 Cos 500 w/2yrs exp or 1000 NT 500 w/2yrs exp or 625 Esth 500 w/2yrs exp or 750 Braider 500 w/2 yrs exp or 600		18		Required	
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	300		16		Required	
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Required	14/24 for instructors	Renewal				

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory: Cosmetology/Nail Technology	STATE	CTS		Spanish May be translated	Cosmetology also in Chinese
Barber/Esthetics/Instructor	NIC	PSI			
Hands-On Practical	Administered by School				
Written Practical					

INDIANA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Indiana Professional Licensing Agency	https://www.pla.in.gov	317 -234-3031	Pla12@pla.in.gov	402 W. Washington St., Room W072, Indianapolis, IN 46204
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Tracy Hicks	thicks@pla.in.gov	317-234-3052		
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella Agency	Agency consists of 40 boards and commissions. Our group includes four of those boards.			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Done online	Pla12@pla.in.gov	317 234-3031	Same			
	e-mail					
	e-mail or mail					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	10 th grade	17	Yes	Yes	Yes
Esthetician	700	10 th grade	17	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nail Technician (manicure)	450	8 th grade	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	N/A					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A					
Barber (w/chemicals)	1500	Only if 17 years old No HS if 18 years old		Yes	Yes	Yes
Barber (w/o chemicals)	N/A					
Instructor	1000	Yes	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	N/A					
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A					
Other: Electrologist	300	10 th grade	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment		
	None					

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	PSI with assistance of the board	PSI		Yes	
General Theory	PSI with assistance of the board	PSI		Yes	
Hands-On Practical	Licensed Beauty Culture Schools	Licensed Beauty Culture schools	2013		
Written Practical					

IOWA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Iowa Board of Cosmetology	https://idph.iowa.gov/licensing	515-281-0254	PLPublic@idph.iowa.gov	
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Venus Vendoures Walsh, Board Executive				
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella				

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetology	2100	HS			Required	
Esthetician	600	HS			Required	
Nail Tech	325	HS			Required	
Electrologist	425	HS			Required	
Instructor	1000 hrs or 2 years active practice in field of cosmetology + 16 hrs instructor methods training + 60 practical hours outside of school	HS			Required	
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment		
	6 hours	Biennium	4 in modality/2 law/reg and sanitation			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Law					
Theory	NIC	PSI			
Hands On Practical					
Written Practical					

KANSAS

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Kansas Board of Cosmetology	https://www.kansas.gov/kboc/	785-296-3155	kboc@ks.gov	714 SW Jackson, Jayhawk Walk Building Suite 100, Topeka, KS
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Laura Gloeckner	kboc@ks.gov	785-230-3125		
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella agency				

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:	kboc@ks.gov	758-296-3155				
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	HS	17		Required	
Esthetician	1000				Required	
Nail Technician (manicure)	350				Required	
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)						
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Electrology	500				Required	
Tattooing and body piercing/cosmetic tattoo	50 services	HS	18		Required	
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Tattoo/piercer	5					

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory					
Hands-On Practical					
Written Practical	Ergometrics	Ergometrics			

KENTUCKY

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Kentucky Board of Cosmetology	https://kbc.ky.gov	502-564-4262	Maxine.mcdonald@ky.gov	1049 US Hwy 127, Annex #2, Frankfort, KY 40601
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Julie M Campbell	Julie.campbell@ky.gov	502-564-4262		
Agency Structure	Description			
Stand Alone agency or board	5 board members appointed by Governor			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Maxine McDonald	Maxine.mcdonald@ky.gov	502-782-0722	1049 US Hwy 127, Annex #2, Frankfort, KY 40601			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email only					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email only will not accept mailed certification					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	Required	18		required	Hands-on
Esthetician	750	Required	18		Required	Hands-on
Nail Technician (manicure)	450	Required	18		Required	Hands-on
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)	Separate board					
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor	Cosmetology 750 (see code 317A.050) Esthetics 750 Nails 750				Required	Hands-on
Shampoo Styling	300	yes	18		Required	Hands on
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Blow Dry	450	Required	18		Required	Hands-on
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education			Comment
Not required						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	PSI	Proctors	7/2018	None	
Hands-On Practical	PSI	Proctors	7/2018	None	
Written Practical					

LOUISIANA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Louisiana Board of Cosmetology	www.lsbclouisiana.gov	225-756-3404		11622 Sunbelt Ct., Baton Rouge, LA 70809
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Steve Young	Steve.young@la.gov	225-756-3404		
Agency Structure	Description			
Stand alone				

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Stephanie Ricard	Stephanie.ricard@la.gov	225-756-3404				
State sends certifications to other states by:	Mail					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Any					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	10th	16			
Esthetician	750	10th	16			
Nail Technician (manicure)	500	10th	16			
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)						
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
N/A						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC				
Hands-On Practical	State Developed				
Written Practical					

MAINE

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Maine Department of Professional and Financial Regulations – Office of Professional and Occupational Regulations – Barbering and Cosmetology Licensing Program	https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/barbering-cosmetology-licensing	207-624-8579	barbercosm.lic@maine.gov	35 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0035
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Geraldine L. Betts	Geraldine.L.Betts@maine.gov	207-624-8625		
Agency Structure	Description			
Jessica Gowell	Professional Licensing Supervisor			
Meagan McLaughlin	Senior Consumer Assistance Specialist – All Inquiries			
Mary Ackerson	Senior Compliance Inspector			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Meagan McLaughlin	barbercosm.lic@maine.gov	207-624-8579	35 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0035			
State sends certifications to other states by: email	Our Program no longer completes license verifications manually and licensees or the State is directed to visit our website www.maine.gov/professionallicensing to obtain a self-help license verification that is in real time data					
State receives certifications from other states by: email/mail	barbercosm.lic@maine.gov	207-624-8579	35 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0035			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC Written	NIC Practical
Esthetician	600	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC Written	NIC Practical
Nail Technician (manicure)	200	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC Written	NIC Practical
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Barber (w/chemicals)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Barber (w/o chemicals)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Instructor	600	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC Written	NIC Practical
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hair Designer (with chemicals)	1,200	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC Written	NIC Practical
Barber Hair Stylist (w/o chemical and w/o nail services)	800	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC Written (Barber 1 No Chemicals)	NIC Practical (Barber 1 No Chemicals)
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Not required						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	N/A				
General Theory	NIC	DL Roope/	About 1969	As provided by	

		Prometric		NI	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	DL Roope/ Prometric Company	About 1991	As provided by NIC	
Written Practical					Subject to consideration upon availability of this examination option by NIC

MARYLAND

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Maryland Board of Cosmetologists	https://www.Dlir.state.md.us/license/cos/	410-230-6190	Barbers.cos@maryland.gov	1100 N Eutaw St., Room 121, Baltimore, MD 21201
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Nicole Fletcher ED	nicole.fletcher@Maryland.gov	410-230-6193		
Breona Scott Assistant ED	breona.scott@maryland.gov	410-230-6191		
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella	7 board members appointed by the governor			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Roxanne Poole	Barbers.cos@maryland.gov Roxanne.poole@maryland.gov	410-230-6190 410-230-6192	1100 N Eutaw St., 5 th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21201			
State sends certifications to other states by:						
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	9th	17		Required	Required
Esthetician	600	9th	17		Required	Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	250	9th	17		Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	1200	9th	17		Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)						
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
	6	renewal				

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	PSI	PSI			
Hands-On Practical	PSI	PSI			
Written Practical					

MASSACHUSETTS

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Board of Registration of Cosmetology and Barbering	https://Mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-cosmetology-and-barbering	617-701-8792	cosmetologyandbarberingboard@mass.gov	Division of Professional Licensure, 1000 Washington St., 7 th Floor, Boston, MA 02118
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Contact: Richard Lawless	Richard.lawless@state.ma.gov	617-727-9940		
Agency Structure	Description			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:	cosmetologyandbarberingboard@state.ma.us					
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1000		16		Required	Required
Esthetician	300		16		Required	Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	100		16		Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)	1000		16		Required	Required
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor	2 years	HS				
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Electrology	10					

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory					
Hands-On Practical					
Written Practical					

MICHIGAN

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs	www.michigan.gov/lara	517-241-0199	bplhelp@michigan.gov/lara	P.O. Box 30004 Lansing, MI 48909
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella Agency				

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
	bplhelp@michigan.gov	517-241-9288				
State sends certifications to other states by:						
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	9 th grade	17	Required	Required	Required
Esthetician	400	9 th	17	Required	Required	Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	400	9 th	17	Required	Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)						
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	400	9 th	17	Required	Required	Required
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
NONE						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules				Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean, Chinese	
General Theory		PSI		Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean, Chinese	
Hands-On Practical		PSI		Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean, Chinese	
Written Practical					

MINNESOTA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Minnesota Board of Cosmetology	http://mn.gov/boards/cosmetology	(651) 201-2742	cosmetology@state.mn.us	1000 University Avenue W, Suite 100 St. Paul, MN 55104
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Gina Fast	gina.fast@state.mn.us	(651) 201-2744		
Agency Structure	Description			
Stand Alone Agency or Board	7 Board members appointed by Governor; ED reports to Board members; Administrative staff perform operational duties and report to ED			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Jenna Bohl	cosmetology@state.mn.us	(651) 201-2742	1000 University Avenue W, Suite 100 St. Paul, MN 55104			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Any Format					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total # of Licenses Issued this Past Year (2021)	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologist (scope: hair, skin, nails, lashes)	8082	1550	Not required*	17	Yes	Yes	Yes
Esthetician	891	600	Not required*	17	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nail Technician	1874	350	Not required*	17	Yes	Yes	Yes
Eyelash Technician	324	38	Not required*	17	Yes	Yes	Yes
Advanced Practice Esthetician	736	500 after cosmetologist or esthetician training	Not required*	17	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hair Stylist	N/A	N/A					
Barber		Regulated by a separate board					
Instructor		38 (plus 2,700 hours of work experience)	Not required*	17	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling		Unregulated					
			*Proof of high school graduation or GED completion was required prior to March of 2020				
Continuing Education		Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment		
Practitioners (Operators & Salon Managers)*		8	Every 3 years	4 hours of laws, rules, safety & infection control 4 hours of professional practice	*Eyelash Technicians are only required to complete 4 hours (first category)		
Instructors		45	Every 3 years	30 hours of teaching methods 15 hours of clinical practice			
School Managers		4	Every 3 years	Business practices			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	State & PSI	PSI	11/1/2014	Spanish, Vietnamese	Vendor-administered since at least 1983
General Theory	State & PSI	PSI	11/1/2014	Spanish, Vietnamese	Vendor-administered since at least 1983
Hands-On Practical	State	Schools	1/1/2016		School-administered since at least 1987

Written Practical	State & PSI	PSI	11/1/2014	Spanish, Vietnamese	Vendor-administered since at least 1983
Salon/School Manager Exam	State & PSI	PSI	11/1/2014	Spanish, Vietnamese	Vendor-administered since at least 1983

MISSISSIPPI

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Mississippi Board of Cosmetology	www.msbc.ms.gov	601-359-1820	https://www.msbc.ms.gov/contact-us/	P.O. Box 55689 Jackson, MS 39296
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Ruby Lowery	Executivedirector@msbc.state.ms.us	601-503-0062		
Agency Structure	Description			
Stand alone agency or Board	5 board members appointed by Governor			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:						
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	Required	17		Required	Hands On
Esthetician	600	Required	17		Required	Hands on
Nail Technician (manicure)	350	Required	17		Required	Hands on
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)						
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor	1000	Required	21			
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Licensees	8	renewal	In person			
Instructor	24	renewal	In person			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC	IQT		NONE	
Hands-On Practical	State	State		NON	
Written Practical					

MISSOURI

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Missouri Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners	https://Pr.mo.gov/cosbar.asp	(573)751-1052	cosbar@pr.mo.gov	P.O. Box 1062 Jefferson City MO 65102
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Karla Johansen	Karla.johansen@pr.mo.gov	(573)751-1067		
Agency Structure	Description			
Department of Professional Registration/Department of Commerce & Insurance	Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners is an 11 member board, 3 licensed CA; 1 accredited school owner; 1 non-accredited school owner; 1 cosmetologists any type; 3 barbers, 2 public members.			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:	cosbar@pr.mo.gov	(573) 751-1052				
State receives certifications from other states by:	cosbar@pr.mo.gov		P.O. Box 1062 Jefferson City MO 65102			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Licenses Issued This Past Year	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1144	1500	10 th grade	17	75% online	75%	75%
Esthetician	745	750	10 th grade	17	75% online	75%	75%
Nail Technician (manicure)	549	400	10 th grade	17	75% online	75%	75%
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	20	1500	10 th grade	17	75% online	75%	75%
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals							
Barber (w/chemicals)	143	1000	Not required	17	75% online	75%	75%
Barber (w/o chemicals)							
Instructor	76 Cos 8 Barber	600			75% online	75%	75%
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling		No school hours required. Online course	Not required	none			
Advanced (Master) Esthetics							
Other	Cross over Cos to Barber 96 Crossover Barber to Cos 22						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education			Comment	
Cosmetology instructor only	8	Every 2 years					

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC	PROV – Since July 2021	NIC since before 2002	Yes	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	PROV – Since July 2021	NIC since before 2002	Yes	
Written Practical					

MONTANA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Montana Board of Barbers & Cosmetologists	https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/barber-and-cosmetologists/	406-841-2300	Dlibsdcos@mt.gov	PO Box 200513 Helena, MT 59620-0513
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Lucy Richards, Executive Officer	lurichards@mt.gov	406-841-2394		
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella	This board and 31 other licensing boards are under the Department of Labor and Industry			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Jennifer Billman	dlibsdhelp@mt.gov	406-841-2300	PO Box 200513 Helena, MT 59620-0513			
State sends certifications to other states by:	e-mail or paper - licensee submits online form requesting verification be sent either e-mail or hardcopy to other state(s)					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Whatever method(s) that state uses for official certifications though e-mail is certainly encouraged					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Licenses in 2021	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	253	1500	Yes	N/A	N/A	Required	Required
Esthetician	161	650	Yes	N/A	N/A	Required	Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	139	400	Yes	N/A	N/A	Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	n/a	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	n/a	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Barber (w/chemicals)	21	1100	Yes	N/A	N/A	Required	Required
Barber (w/o chemicals)	20	900	Yes	N/A	N/A	Required	Required
Instructor	8	650	Yes	N/A	N/A	Required	Required
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	n/a	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	n/a	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Electrologist	2	600	Yes	N/A	N/A	Required	Required
Continuing Education	Hours Required		How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Instructors	30		Every two years	Programs that focus on protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the public and contribute to licensees' professional knowledge and competence		8 of the 30 hours must be in teaching methodology	

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
General Theory	NIC – all license types	ProV		Yes	If applicants are currently licensed in another jurisdiction whose licensing requirements are substantially equivalent to Montana's and that state uses state or other practical and written

					exams then Montana will accept those as substantially equivalent and not require NIC. This only applies if the person is actively licensed and the other requirements are substantially equivalent.
Hands-On Practical	NIC – all license types	Prometric	Seven years	Yes	If applicants are currently licensed in another jurisdiction whose licensing requirements are substantially equivalent to Montana's and that state uses state or other practical and written exams then Montana will accept those as substantially equivalent and not require NIC. This only applies if the person is actively licensed, and the other requirements are substantially equivalent.
Written Practical	N/A	n/a	N/A	N/A	

NEBRASKA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Licensure Unit	https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Licensing-Home-Page.aspx	402.471.2117	Dhhs.licensure2117@nebraska.gov	Licensure Unit 301 Centennial Mall South PO Box 94986 Lincoln, NE 68509
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Kris Chiles, Program Manager	Dhhs.licensure2117@nebraska.gov	402.471.2117		
Agency Structure	Description			
Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Licensure Unit				

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address
Macy Cisneros	Dhhs.licensure2117@nebraska.gov	402.471.2117	Licensure Unit 301 Centennial Mall South PO Box 94986 Lincoln, NE 68509
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email, Fax, or US postal service		
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email, Fax, or US postal service		

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1800	Yes	17		x	
Esthetician	600	Yes	17		x	
Nail Technician (manicure)	300	Yes	17		x	
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	N/A					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A					
Barber (w/chemicals)	Regulated by the Board of Barbers					
Barber (w/o chemicals)	Regulated by the Board of Barbers					
Instructor	Cosmetology Instructor - 600 Esthetic Instructor or Nail Technology Instructor – 300 Electrology Instructor – 2 years of practice	Yes	17		x	
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	N/A					
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A					
Electrologist	600	Yes	17		x	

Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment
Cosmetologist, Electrologist, Esthetician, and Nail Technician	8	2 years on set date (see comments)	010.01 MANDATORY HOURS. All licensees must complete at least 4 hours of continuing education in the applicable license category based on his or her scope of practice; all 8 hours may be obtained through these mandatory hours.	(A) Cosmetologists on December 31 of each even-numbered year. (B) Cosmetology

			010.02 OTHER HOURS. Licensees may earn the remaining 4 hours through the following: (A) Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or first aid; (B) Equipment use as related to the profession; (C) Ethics, statutes, or regulations relating to the practice; (D) Subject areas outlined in the program of study found in 172 NAC 37; (E) Product knowledge; (F) People skills, special needs, other similar titles; (G) Marketing; (H) Technical school, university, or college courses, only the following types of courses are considered acceptable: (i) Practice related; (ii) Communications; (iii) Humanities; (iv) Sciences; (v) Business, including finance, marketing, computer, or other similar courses; and (vi) Well-being, including psychology, sociology, or other similar courses; (I) Nebraska Jurisprudence Examination, counting as 2 hours; (J) Barbering school classes; and (K) Sanitation or safety courses.	instructors on December 31 of each even-numbered year. (C) Electrologists on July 31 of each odd-numbered year. (D) Electrology instructors on July 31 of each odd-numbered year. (E) Estheticians on September 30 of each even-numbered year. (F) Esthetic instructors on September 30 of each even-numbered year. (G) Nail technicians on December 31 of each odd-numbered year. (H) Nail technology instructors on December 31 of each odd-numbered year. 010.04(F) PRESENTER CREDIT. A presenter may receive credit for the initial presentation during a renewal period. Credit will not be given for subsequent presentations of the same program.
Instructor (Cosmetologist, Electrologist, Esthetician, and Nail Technician)	12	2 years on set date (see comments above)	010.03 INSTRUCTOR HOURS. In addition to the 8 hours required for a cosmetologist, electrologist, esthetician or nail technology license, instructors must complete at least 4 additional hours of continuing education. These 4 hours must be earned in at least one of the following areas: (1) Teaching styles; (2) Learning styles; (3) Personality types; (4) Presentation methods; (5) Lesson planning; (6) Test development; (7) Teaching difficult students; (8) Language class; (9) Record keeping; (10) Motivation; (11) Multimedia technology, including power point, or computer training; (12) Resume writing;	

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC or an equivalent examination approved by the Board.			No	
Hands-On Practical	N/A				
Written Practical					

NEVADA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Nevada State Board of Cosmetology	www.nvcosmo.com	702-508-0015	info@nvcosmo.com	8945 West Russell Road, Suite 100 Las Vegas, Nevada 89148
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Leah Easter	leah@nvcosmo.com	702-508-0015	105	8945 West Russell Road, Suite 100 Las Vegas, Nevada 89148
Agency Structure	Description			
Seven member board appointed by the Governor	Four cosmetologists, one nail technician, one esthetician, and one member of the public			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address		
Nevada State Board of Cosmetology	info@nvcosmo.com	702-508-0015	8945 West Russell Road, Suite 100 Las Vegas, Nevada 89148		
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email				
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email and mail				

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Number of Licenses Issued this Past Year 2021	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1127	1600	10 th Grade	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Esthetician	1199	600	10 th Grade	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nail Technician (manicure)	809	600	10 th Grade	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hair Designer	51	1000	10 th Grade	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Instructor	68	700 – Student Instructor 500 - Instructor	12 th Grade	18	Yes	Yes	No
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	68	0	10 th Grade	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	2	900	10 th Grade	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Shampoo Technologist	50	50	10 th Grade	16	Yes	Yes	Yes
Makeup Artist		0	10 th Grade	18	No	No	No
Threader		0	10 th Grade	18	No	No	No
Electrologist	4	500	12 th Grade	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Continuing Education		Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Instructors		15	For every year, verified on 2 or 4 year license renewal	Courses certified by board staff			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	Nevada State Board of Cosmetology	Pearson VUE	January 2016	Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, Korean	
General Theory	Pearson VUE	Pearson VUE	April 2022	Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, Korean	
Hands-On Practical	Nevada State Board of Cosmetology	Board Staff	April 2016	Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, Korean	
Written Practical	N/A				

NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Office of Professional Licensure and Certification	Welcome NH Office of Professional Licensure and Certification	603-271-2152	Customersupport@opl.nh.gov	7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH 03301
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Lindsey Courtney	lindsey.b.courtney@opl.nh.gov	608-271-2152		7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH 03301
Agency Structure	Description			
Licensing/Board Administration	Licensing and Board Actions			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address
Eddie Chiasson	edith.m.chiasson@opl.nh.gov	603-271-2152	7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH 03301

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Number of Licenses Issued This Past Year	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Barber	50	800	Yes or equivalent	18	313-A:10	Yes	Yes
Barber Apprentice Shop & School	100				313-A:24	No	No
Barber Instructor	2	700	Yes or equivalent	18	Bar 301.08	Yes	Yes
Booth Rental	475		Yes or equivalent	18	313-A:19	No	No
Cosmetology	350	1,500	Yes or equivalent	18	313-A:11	Yes	Yes
Cosmetology Apprentice Shop & School	500				313-A:24	No	No
Cosmetology Instructor	25	800	Yes or equivalent	18	Bar 301.08	Yes	Yes
School	0				Bar 301.10	No	No
Shop	300				313-A:19	No	No
Tanning Facility Registration	6				313-A:28	No	No
Esthetic Instructor	25	700	Yes or equivalent	18	Bar 301.08	Yes	Yes
Esthetic Apprentice Shop & School	300				313-A:24		
Esthetician	250	600	Yes or equivalent	18	313-A:13	Yes	Yes
Manicurist	100	300	Yes or equivalent	18	313-A:12	Yes	Yes
Manicurist Apprentice Shop & School	100				313-A:24	No	No
Manicurist Instructor	0	550	Yes or equivalent	18	Bar 301.08	Yes	Yes
Master Barber	100	1,500	Yes or equivalent	18	313-A:10	Yes	Yes
Master Barber Apprentice Shop & School	100				313-A:24	No	No
Master Barber Instructor	1	800	Yes or equivalent	18	Bar 301.08	Yes	Yes
Continuing Education N/A	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC	Prometric			
Hands-On Practical	NIC	Prometric			
Written Practical					

NEW JERSEY

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
New Jersey State Board of Cosmetology and Hairstyling	https://njconsumeraffairs.gov	973-504-6400	cosmoboard@dca.njoag.gov	P124 Halsey St. 6 th Floor P.O. Box 45003, Newark, NJ 07101
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Jay Malanga	malangaj@dca.njoag.gov			
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella	13 members appointed by the Governor			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
	COSCertVerification@dca.lps.state.nj.us		New Jersey Office of the Attorney General Div of Consumer Affairs New Jersey State Board of Cosmetology and Hairstyling 124 Halsey St. 6 th Floor PO Box 45003 Newark, New Jersey 07101			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetology	1200	HS	17		Required	
Nail Technology	300	HS	17		Required	
Beauty Culturist	1100	HS	17		Required	
Barber (w/chemicals)	900	HS	17		Required	
Esthetician	600	HS	17		Required	
Instructor	500	HS	18		Required	
Hair Braider	40					
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
	None					

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Law					
Theory	NIC	Prometric			
Hands On Practical					
Written Practical					

NEW MEXICO

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
New Mexico Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists	https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/barbers-and-cosmetologists-overview/	505-476-4690	barber.cosmoboard@state.nm.us	PO Box 25101 Santa Fe, NM 87504
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Pauline M. Varela	pauline.varela@state.nm.us	505-476-4854		
Agency Structure	Description			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Licensing Staff	barber.cosmoboard@state.nm.us	505-476-4690	PO Box 25101 Santa Fe, NM 87504			
State sends certifications to other states by: mail but will soon be sending via email	barber.cosmoboard@state.nm.us	505-476-4690				
State receives certifications from other states by: mail and email	barber.cosmoboard@state.nm.us	505-476-4690				

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Number of Licenses Issued this Past Year 2021	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	413	1600	no	16	Y – 75%	Y-75%	Y-75%
Esthetician	289	600	no	16	Y – 75%	Y-75%	Y-75%
Nail Technician (manicure)	177	400	no	16	Y – 75%	Y-75%	Y-75%
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	5	1200	no	16	Y – 75%	Y-75%	Y-75%
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals							
Barber (w/chemicals)	154	1200	no	16	Y – 75%	Y-75%	Y-75%
Barber (w/o chemicals)							
Instructor	12	1000	Yes	18			
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling		N/A					
Advanced (Master) Esthetics		N/A					
Electrologist	2	600	No	16	Y-75%	Y-75%	Y-75%
Continuing Education	Hours Required		How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Instructors	12		yearly	Professional Development			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
Spanish/Vietnamese	New Mexico Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists	Available Online			
General Theory	NIC	PCS		Spanish/ Vietnamese	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	PCS		Spanish/ Vietnamese	
Written Practical					

NEW YORK

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
New York Board of Cosmetology	https://dos.ny.gov	518-474-4429		NYS Dept of State, Division of Licensing Services, 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., 6 th Floor, Albany NY 12231
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Agency Structure	Description			
Umbrella				

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
	Dos.ny.gov	518-474-4420				
State sends certifications to other states by:						
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1000		17		Required	Required
Esthetician	600		18		Required	Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	300		18		Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)						
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	300		18		Required	Required
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Waxing	75		18		Required	Required
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	STATE	STATE		Any may be translated	
Hands-On Practical	STATE	STATE		Any may be translated	
Written Practical					

NORTH CAROLINA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
NC Cosmetic Art Examiners	www.nccosmeticarts.com	919-736-6123		121 Edinburgh South Drive, Suite 209 Cary NC 27511
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Lynda Elliott	lelliott@nccosmeticarts.com	919-736-6123	7	
Agency Structure	Description			
Independent Board	Regulating Cosmetology, Esthetics, Manicuring and Natural Hair Care Specialist personal licensure. Regulate schools and shops.			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Board Office	certifications@nccosmeticarts.com					
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email Only					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email to the above address					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes 75 or Greater	Yes 75 or Greater
Esthetician	600	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes 75 or Greater	Yes 75 or Greater
Nail Technician (manicure)	300	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes 75 or Greater	Yes 75 or Greater
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Barber (w/chemicals)	Different Board					
Barber (w/o chemicals)	Different Board					
Instructor	800 Cos, 650 Esthetics, 320 Manicurist or NH Care	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes 85 or Greater	Yes 85 or Greater
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	300	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes 75 or Greater	Yes 75 or Greater
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Yes	8 hours	Per year	Related to licensure type			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC	DL Roope	2010	Written all languages offered	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	DL Roope	2010	English	
Written Practical					

NORTH DAKOTA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
North Dakota State Board of Cosmetology	www.ndcosmetology.com	701-224-9800	bocinfo@nd.gov	4719 Shelburne Street, Suite 1 Bismarck, ND 58503
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Sue Meier	sumeier@nd.gov	701-224-9800		
Agency Structure	Description			
Independent Board	The Board consist of five members appointed by the Governor for a three-year term. Three of the members of the board must each be a licensed cosmetologist who has had at least three years of experience in the occupation. One member must have professional experience as a secondary teacher or as a postsecondary educator. One member must be a licensed health care provider.			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:	bocinfo@nd.gov sumeier@nd.gov					
State receives certifications from other states by:	bocinfo@nd.gov		4719 Shelburne St. Suite 1 Bismarck, ND 58503			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Licenses Issued 2021	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	105	1500	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Esthetician	53	600	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nail Technician (manicure)	85	350	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with or w/o chemicals		N/A					
Barber (w/chemicals)		N/A (Regulated by the Barber Board)					
Barber (w/o chemicals)		N/A (Regulated by the Barber Board)					
Instructor	11	960 hours without work experience. 480 hours with one year work experience in a licensed salon. 160 hours with three years of work experience in a licensed salon.					
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling		N/A					
Advanced (Master) Esthetics		N/A					
Continuing Education	Hours Required		How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Instructors	8 hours for Instructors only		Annually	Board-approved			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	State developed	PSI		English only	
General Theory	NIC	PSI	1973	Languages offered by	

				NIC	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	Board Members	2016	English only	
Written Practical	N/A				

OHIO

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Cosmetology and Barber Board	www.cos.ohio.gov	614-466-3834	Ohioecos@cos.ohio.gov	Ohio Cosmetology and Barber Board 1929 Gateway Circle Grove City Ohio 43123
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Lori Pearson	Lori.pearson@cos.ohio.gov	614-644-6099		Ohio Cosmetology and Barber Board 1929 Gateway Circle Grove City Ohio 43123
Agency Structure	Description			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Sue Gatwood	Sue.gatwood@cos.ohio.gov	614-728-0354	Ohio Cosmetology and Barber Board 1929 Gateway Circle Grove City Ohio 43123			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email and USPS Mail when required					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email and Mail					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Number of Licenses Issued This Past Year	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	23354	1500	10 th Grade	16		Yes	Yes
Esthetician	3141	600	10 th Grade	16		Yes	Yes
Nail Technician (Manicure)	6833	200	10 th Grade	16		Yes	Yes
Hair Designer (with chemicals)	200	1200	10 th Grade	16		Yes	Yes
Natural Hair Stylist	15	450	10 th Grade	16		Yes	Yes
Assistant Barber Teacher	61						
Barber (with chemicals)	7769	1800	8 th Grade	18		Yes	Yes
Barber Teacher	145	500	8 th Grade	18		Yes	
Instructor	2847	1800 hours of work experience or completion of an apprentice instructor program at a licensed school.	High School Diploma	18		Yes	
Advanced Cosmetologist	37188	1800	10 th Grade	16		Yes	
Advanced Esthetics	3861	600	10 th Grade	16		Yes	
Advanced Manicurist	7191	300	10 th Grade	16		Yes	
Advanced Hair Designer	107	1440	10 th Grade	16		Yes	
Advanced Natural Hair Stylist	36	600	10 th Grade	16		Yes	
Boutique Service Registration (Braiding, threading, shampooing, make-up artistry)	3933	Affidavit of training – No specific hours		16			

Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment
All license types	4	Every 2 years	3 hours/Safety & Infection Control 1 hour/Board Laws & Rules	
Boutique Service Registration	4	Every 2 years	3 hours/Safety & Infection Control 1 hour/Board Laws & Rules	

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	N/A				Laws and rule questions are included in the advanced exams.
General Theory	Ergometric	Board Staff	2018	N/A	English Only
Hands-On Practical	Board Developed	Board Staff	2011	N/A	English Only
Written Practical	N/A				
Advanced Cosmetology	Board Developed	Board Staff	2016	N/A	English Only
Advanced Esthetic	Board Developed	Board Staff	2016	N/A	English Only
Advanced Manicurist	Board Developed	Board Staff	2016	N/A	English Only
Advanced Hair Designer	Board Developed	Board Staff	2016	N/A	English Only
Advanced Natural Hair Stylist	Board Developed	Board Staff	2016	N/A	English Only

OKLAHOMA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Oklahoma Cosmetology and Barbering Board	www.cosmo.ok.gov	405-521-2441	Malena.Curtsinger@cosmo.ok.gov	2401 NW 23 rd St Suite 84 OKC, OK 73107
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Malena Curtsinger	Malena.Curtsinger@cosmo.ok.gov	405-522-7615		
Agency Structure	Description			
Board	Eleven (11) Board Members			
Advisory Board on Massage Therapy	Five (5) Board Members			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Staff	certs@cosmo.ok.gov	405-521-2441				
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email unless state doesn't accept email, then mail					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email certs@cosmo.ok.gov					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	Yes	16	Yes	Yes	Yes
Esthetician	600	Yes	16	Yes	Yes	yes
Nail Technician (manicure)	600	Yes	16	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	No					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	No					
Barber (w/chemicals)	1500	Yes	16	Yes	Yes	yes
Barber (w/o chemicals)	No					
Instructor	1000 (Must have basic)	Yes	16	Yes	Yes	yes
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	Certification			Yes		
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	1000	Yes	16	Yes	Yes	yes
Other Massage	500 (Must take MBLEx)	Yes	16			
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Massage	5	Annually				

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	Board	Examiner			
General Theory	NIC	Board			
Hands-On Practical	Board	Examiner			
Written Practical					

OREGON

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Oregon Health Authority, Health Licensing Office	www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/hlo	503-378-8667	Hlo.info@dhsosha.state.or.us	1430 Tandem Ave. NE, Suite 180, Salem, OR 97301
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Robert Bothwell	robert.bothwell@dhsosha.state.or.us	503-373-2097		
Agency Structure	Description			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
	hlo.info@dhsosha.state.or.us	503-378-8667	1430 Tandem Ave. NE, Suite 180, Salem, OR 97301			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Mail or email					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Mail, email, or website					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)						
Esthetician	444 or competency-based	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nail Technician (manicure)	241 or competency-based	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	1110 or competency-based	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)						
Barber (w/o chemicals)	746 or competency-based	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	N/A	No	No	Yes	No	No
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	HLO	HLO		Yes	Spanish and Vietnamese
General Theory	HLO	HLO		Yes	Spanish and Vietnamese
Hands-On Practical	The School	School			
Written Practical	The School	School			

PENNSYLVANIA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Pennsylvania State Board of Cosmetology	www.dos.pa.gov/cosmet and www.pals.pa.gov	833-367-2762	st-cosmetology@pa.gov	P.O. Box 2649, Harrisburg PA 17105-2649
PA Department of State, State Board of Barber Examiners	www.dos.pa.gov/Barber and www.pals.pa.gov	717-783-3402	ra-Barber@pa.gov	P.O. Box 2649, Harrisburg PA 17105-2649
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Valerie M. Eaton Board Administrator	veaton@pa.gov	717-346-1757	n/a	
Sparkle Thompson Board Administrator	spthompson@pa.gov	717-772-8536		
Agency Structure	Description			
Division within Larger Agency	Department of State, Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Pennsylvania Licensing System (PALS)	st-cosmetology@pa.gov	833-367-2462	All requests for certification of license must be submitted online at: www.pals.pa.gov			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Any Format					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1250	10 th grade	16	Required	Required	Not Required
Esthetician	300	10 th grade	16	Required	Required	Not Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	200	10 th grade	16	Required	Required	Not Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	N/A					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A					
Barber (w/chemicals)	1250 (State Board of Barber Examiners)	10 th grade	16	Required	Required	Hands-On
Barber Manager	Show proof of work for 1 year + theory exam					
Instructor	500 plus current PA Cosmetology License Barbers 5 yrs exp or 1250 hrs under licensed Barber Teacher		16	Required	Required	Not Required
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	300		16	Required	Required	Not Required
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A					
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Not Required for Cosmetology or Barber						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	PA Legislature	PearsonVUE	07/01/2011	See Comment	

General Theory	State and PearsonVUE	PearsonVUE	07/01/2011	See Comment	
Hands-On Practical	Pennsylvania does not currently require a practical examination for cosmetology or limited practice licensing hands on practical for Bzrbering	n/a PearsonVue		See Comment	
Written Practical		PearsonVUE			
Other	Written exams for Cosmetology, Esthetician, Nail Technician are given in English, Korean, Spanish, and Vietnamese				
	Instructor written exam is given in English. Natural Hair Braider written exam is given in English				

RHODE ISLAND

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Dept of Health Division of Hairdressing and Barbering	www.health.ri.gov/licenses	401-222-5960	Linda.esposito@health.ri.gov	Three Capitol Hill, Room 105A, Providence, RI 02908
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Contact - Lauren Lasso	Lauren.dixonlasso@health.ri.gov	401-222-7883		
Agency Structure	Description			
Division within Larger Agency				

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:						
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1200	Required	18			
Esthetician	600	Required	18			
Nail Technician (manicure)	300	Required	18			
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)						
Barber (w/o chemicals)	1000	Required	18			
Instructor	300/3 years work history	Required	18			
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
none						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC			Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese	
Hands-On Practical					
Written Practical					

SOUTH CAROLINA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
SC Board of Cosmetology	www.llr.sc.gov/cosmo	803.896.4588	BoardInfo@llr.sc.gov	110 Centerview Dr, Columbia, SC 29210
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Theresa N. Brown	Theresa.brown@llr.sc.gov	803.896.4588		
Agency Structure	Description			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
	BoardInfo@llr.sc.gov	803.896.4588	110 Centerview Dr, Columbia SC 29210			
State sends certifications to other states by:	Email					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	10 th Grade	16		75	75
Esthetician	450	10 th Grade	16		75	75
Nail Technician (manicure)	300	10 th Grade	16		75	75
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	N/A					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A					
Barber (w/chemicals)	Regulated by the Barber Board					
Barber (w/o chemicals)	Regulated by the Barber Board					
Instructor	750 Student Instructor Program	High School	18		80	80
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	Regulated by the Barber Board					
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A					
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment		
	4 Hours	Biennial	Health Safety, Board laws and Regulations, Client Safety, Sanitation and Disinfection			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	N/A				
General Theory	NIC	PSI	NIC has been administered since the 1970's		Exams are in English Only
Hands-On Practical	NIC	PSI	NIC has been administered since 2005	None	Exams are in English Only
Written Practical	N/A				

SOUTH DAKOTA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
South Dakota Cosmetology Commission	https://Dlr.sd.gov/cosmetology https://Dlr.sd.gov/barber	605-773-6193	cosmetology@state.sd.us barber@state.sd.us	217 W. Missouri Ave, Pierre SD 57501
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Bradi Stampe Executive Director	cosmetology@state.sd.us	605-773-6193		
Agency Structure	Description			
Agency also oversees Barbering	Cosmetology Commission: 5 members appointed by the Governor, under the Dept of Labor and Regulation Board of Barber Examiners: 4 members appointed by the Governor, under the Dept of Labor and Regulation			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Bradi Stampe	cosmetology@state.sd.us	605-773-6193				
State sends certifications to other states by:	Jessica.doorn@state.sd.us or deobrah.jensen@state.sd.us		217 W. Missouri Ave, Pierre SD 57501			
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email preferable, but will accept postal Cosmetology@state.sd.us Or barber@state.sd.us		217 W. Missouri Ave, Pierre SD 57501			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	Required	18	Required	Yes	suspended
Esthetician	600	Required	18	Required	Yes	Suspended
Nail Technician (manicure)	400	Required	18	Required	Yes	suspended
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)	1500	N/A	18	No	Yes	Yes
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor Cos/Est/NT	12 hrs educator training before applying	Required	18	Required	Yes	
Barber Instructor	500 hrs of barber instructor training	N/A	18 & licensed for 1 yr as a barber	Instructor specific exam	Yes	No
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling					Yes	No
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment		
Instructors Cos/Est/NT only	12 Hrs	Annually	Teaching methodology			
Eyelash Extensions	16 hrs	One Time	In person, hands on training through an approved provider			
Microdermabrasion	16 hrs	One Time	In person, hands on training through an approved provider			
Electric Nail File	8 hrs	One Time	In person, hands on training through an approved provider			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	State	State		English & Vietnamese	Instructor state laws only available in English
General Theory	NIC	State	1970(Cos) 1997 (nail) 2003	Vietnamese,	Only available in English &

			(esthetics)	Spanish, Korean	Spanish for barbering
Hands-On Practical					Has been suspended since 05/01/20
Barbering is its own separate board and provides its own examination for the practical					
Written Practical	NIC	State	Tentatively 10/01/22		

TENNESSEE

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Tennessee State Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners	https://www.tn.gov/commerce/regboards/cosmo.html	615-741-2515	cosmetology.board@tn.gov	500 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN 37143
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Roxana Gumucio	roxana.gumucio@tn.gov	615-532-7081		
Agency Structure	Description			
Stand Alone Agency or Board	14-member board appointed by Governor, ED reports to Assistant Commissioner, Administrative staff perform operational duties and report to ED			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by: Email only Reciprocity Desk	cosmetology.board@tn.gov	615-741-2515	500 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN 37143			
State receives certifications from other states by: Prefer email	cosmetology.board@tn.gov	615-741-2515	500 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN 37143			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Licenses Issued Jan-Dec 2021	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	2141	1500	10th grade, GED or HiSET	16		Required	Hands-On
Esthetician	1285	750	10th grade, GED or HiSET	16		Required	Hands-On
Nail Technician (manicure)	701	600	10th grade, GED or HiSET	16		Required	Hands-On
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals		N/A	10th grade, GED or HiSET	16		Required	Hands-On
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals		N/A	10th grade, GED or HiSET	16		Required	Hands-On
Barber (w/chemicals)	301	1500	10th grade, GED or HiSET	16		Required	Hands-On
Barber (w/o chemicals)		N/A	10th grade, GED or HiSET	16		Required	Hands-On
Instructor	37	300	H.S. diploma, GED or HiSET	16		Required	Hands-On
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	61 Natural Hairstylist	300	10th grade, GED or HiSET	16		Required	Hands-On
Advanced (Master) Esthetics		N/A	10th grade, GED or HiSET	16		Required	Hands-On
Other: Hair Braider Registrants	1331	16 hrs. Health & Hygiene Certificate	N/A	14			
Barber Technician	1	340		16		Required	Hands-On
Comment:					Part of all theory exams		
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment			
Required	16	every two years prior to renewal	Must include teaching methodology	Instructors only			

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	Legislative process for the laws. Board members, attorney and ED develop rules and notice them for public comment/input.	PSI	1/31/2005	Spanish and Vietnamese for: cosmetology, aesthetics and manicure exams.	
General Theory	PSI National Exam	PSI	1/31/2005		
Hands-On Practical	PSI National Exam	PSI	1/31/2005		
Written Practical	N/A				

TEXAS

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation	www.tdlr.texas.gov	1-800-803-9202		P.O. Box 12157 Austin, Texas 78711
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Mike Arismendez	executive.director@tdlr.texas.gov			
Agency Structure	Description			
Multiple Program Regulatory Agency				

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
	hair.etc@tdlr.texas.gov	1-800-803-9202	P.O. Box 12157 Austin, Texas 78711			
State sends certifications to other states by: Mail/Email (as preferred by out of state board)	hair.etc@tdlr.texas.gov		P.O. Box 12157 Austin, Texas 78711			
State receives certifications from other states by: Mail/Email (email preferred)	hair.etc@tdlr.texas.gov		P.O. Box 12157 Austin, Texas 78711			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Licenses 2021	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	7083	1000	Required	17	Included in Theory Exam	Required	Required
Esthetician	3811	750	Required	17	Included in Theory Exam	Required	Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	3064	600	Required	17	Included in Theory Exam	Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals		N/A					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals		N/A					
Barber (w/chemicals)	1704	1000	Not required	16	Included in Theory Exam	Required	Required
Barber (w/o chemicals)		N/A					
Instructor (eliminated 9/1/2021)	Cosmetology – 296 Esthetician – 54 Manicure – 17 Manicure & Esthetician – 4 Eyelash Extension – 11 Barber - 147	N/A					
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling		N/A					
Advanced (Master) Esthetics		N/A					
Eyelash Extension	531	320	Required	17	Included in Theory Exam	Required	Required
Hair Weaver	6	300	Not required	17	Included in Theory Exam	Required	Required
Esthetician/Nail Technician (manicure)	477	1200 (combined) or 750 (esthetician) and 600 (nail technician)	Required	17	Included in Theory Exam	Required (combined curriculum)	Required (combined curriculum)

Wig Specialist (eliminated 9/1/2021)	2	N/A				
Continuing Education		Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment	
Required		4	Every 2 years upon license renewal	Cosmetology - must be approved by TDLR		

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					State laws and rules are included in the General Theory Exam
General Theory	Texas subject matter experts with oversight of PSI Psychometrician	PSI	3/6/2006	Spanish, Vietnamese	Additional languages may be requested for an additional fee
Hands-On Practical	Texas subject matter experts with oversight of PSI Psychometrician	PSI	3/6/2006		
Written Practical					

*Effective 5/1/2020, Cosmetology and Barber required course hours were reduced from 1500 hours to 1000 hours. The change in the Cosmetology hours was a legislative change (HB 2847) and the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation adopted amendments to Administrative Code 82.120 to reduce the Barber hours.

*Effective 9/1/2021, the Instructor and Wig Specialist licenses were eliminated as the result of legislative change (HB 1560).

UTAH

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
State of Utah Division of Professional Licensing	https://dopl.utah.gov	801-530-6628	B2@utah.gov	160 E 300 S PO BOX 146741 SLC UT 84114-6741
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Lynne Anthony / Bureau Manager	lanthony@utah.gov	801-530-6179		160 E 300 S PO BOX 146741 SLC UT 84114-6741
Agency Structure	Description			
A Division of the Department of Commerce	State of Utah Department of Commerce / Division of Professional Licensing Licensing staff and a 9 member advisory board including licensed professionals with 2 non licensed public members			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Bureau 2	B2@utah.gov	801-8530-6628	160 E 300 S PO BOX 146741 SLC UT 84114-6741			
State sends certifications to other states by:	B2@utah.gov	801-530-6628	160160 E 300 S PO BOX 146741 SLC UT 84114-6741			
State receives certifications from other states by:	B2@utah.gov	801-530-6628	160 E 300 S PO BOX 146741 SLC UT 84114-6741			

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam																					
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1600 school 2500 apprenticeship	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC - 70% passing score	NIC - 70% passing score																					
Esthetician	600 school 800 apprenticeship	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC - 70% passing score	NIC - 70% passing score																					
Nail Technician (manicure)	300 school 375 apprenticeship	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC - 70% passing score	NIC - 70% passing score																					
Hair Designer (Hair Only) with chemicals	1200 school 1600 apprenticeship	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC - 70% passing score	NIC - 70% passing score																					
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A																					
Barber (w/chemicals)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A																					
Barber (w/o chemicals)	1000 school 1250 apprenticeship	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC - 70% passing score																						
Instructor	<table><tr><th>License Type</th><th>Education or On-the-Job Instructor Hours</th><th>Licensed Exp.</th></tr><tr><td>Barber Only</td><td>250</td><td>20</td></tr><tr><td>Cosmetology/Barber</td><td>400</td><td>30</td></tr><tr><td>Electrologist</td><td>150</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>Esthetician</td><td>300</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>Hair Design</td><td>300</td><td>25</td></tr><tr><td>Nail Technician</td><td>75</td><td>6</td></tr></table>	License Type	Education or On-the-Job Instructor Hours	Licensed Exp.	Barber Only	250	20	Cosmetology/Barber	400	30	Electrologist	150	10	Esthetician	300	10	Hair Design	300	25	Nail Technician	75	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC – 70 % passing score	N/A
License Type	Education or On-the-Job Instructor Hours	Licensed Exp.																									
Barber Only	250	20																									
Cosmetology/Barber	400	30																									
Electrologist	150	10																									
Esthetician	300	10																									
Hair Design	300	25																									
Nail Technician	75	6																									
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	Exempt from licensure	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A																					
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	1200 school 1500 apprenticeship	N/A	N/A	N/A	NIC – 70 % passing score	NIC – 70 % passing score																					
Hair Safety Permit (exemption from licensure) Wash and style only	N/A	N/A	N/A	Must complete and pass at 70% a safety and sanitation course permit has no expiration date	N/A	N/A																					
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment																							

Currently no CE required for any classification in the State of Utah				
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EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC	PROV		Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean	Previous exam provide was PSI
Hands-On Practical	NIC	PROV		Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean	Previous exam provide was PSI
Written Practical					
Hair Safety Course and Exam	DOPL	PROV	2021		

VERMONT

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Vermont Barbers & Cosmetologists	https://Sos.vermont.gov	802-828-1505		89 Main St., 3 rd Floor, Montpelier, VT 05620-3420
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Lauren Hibbert	Lauren.hibbert@vermont.gov	802-828-2458		
Agency Structure	Description			
Advisory board	4 members appt by Gov			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:						
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1000	HS or GED			Required	Required
Esthetician	500	HS			Required	Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	300				Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)	750	HS			Required	Required
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
Instructors only	24					

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC	Prometric			
Hands-On Practical	NIC	Prometric			
Written Practical					

VIRGINIA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Virginia Board for Barbers and Cosmetology Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation	https://www.dpor.virginia.gov/Boards/BarberCosmo/	804-367-8509	barbercosmo@dpor.virginia.gov	9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 400 Richmond, VA 23233
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Stephen Kirschner	Steve.kirschner@dpor.virginia.gov	804-367-2960		
Agency Structure	Description			
Policy Board under state agency				

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
bchoplicensing@dpor.virginia.gov	bchoplicensing@dpor.virginia.gov	804-367-8509	9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 400	Richmond, VA 23233		
State sends certifications to other states by:	Mail or email					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Mail or email					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1500	No	None	Yes (part of theory)	Yes	Yes
Esthetician	600	No	None	Yes (part of theory)	Yes	Yes
Nail Technician (manicure)	150	No	None	Yes (part of theory)	Yes	Yes
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)	1500	No	None	Yes (part of theory)	Yes	Yes
Barber (w/o chemicals)	1100	No	None	Yes (part of theory)	Yes	Yes
Instructor	400	No	None	Yes (part of theory)	Yes	No
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	600	No	None	Yes (part of theory)	Yes	Yes
Permanent Cosmetic Tattooing	90	No	None	Yes (part of theory)	Yes	No
Tattooing	750	No	None	Yes (part of theory)	Yes	No
Body Piercing	1500 (apprenticeship only)	No	None	Yes (part of theory)	Yes	No
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
None						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	Virginia	PSI	2020	All NIC	

				languages	
General Theory	NIC	PSI	2020	ALL NIC languages	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	PSI	2020	ALL NIC languages	
Written Practical					

WASHINGTON

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Washington State Department of Licensing Business and Professions Division Cosmetology Program	https://www.dol.wa.gov/business/cosmetology/	360-664-6626	dolcosmo@dol.wa.gov	Cosmetology Program Department of Licensing PO Box 9026 Olympia, WA 98507
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Julia Manley	jmanley@dol.wa.gov	360-664-6557		Cosmetology Program Department of Licensing PO Box 9026 Olympia, WA 98507
Agency Structure	Description			
State Agency	Regulatory State Agency with a 10 member advisory board appointed by the Director of the Department of Licensing			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Cosmetology Program	dolcosmo@dol.wa.gov	360-664-6626	Cosmetology Program Department of Licensing PO Box 9026 Olympia, WA 98507			
State sends certifications to other states by:	States can verify the status of a license by using our license lookup online at: https://www.dol.wa.gov/business/checkstatus.html					
State receives certifications from other states by: email	Send certifications by email to dolcosmo@dol.wa.gov					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	Total Number of Licenses Issued this past year 2021	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	16,1818	1600	N/A	17	NO	Required	Hands-On
Esthetician	5,525	750	N/A	17	NO	Required	Hands-On
Nail Technician (manicure)	6,675	600	N/A	17	NO	Required	Hands-On
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	307	1400	N/A	17	NO	Required	Hands-On
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Barber (w/chemicals)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Barber (w/o chemicals)	1,533	1000	N/A	17	NO	Required	Hands-On
Instructor	775	500; OR holds a degree in education from an accredited postsecondary institution	N/A	17	NO	Required	Hands-On
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	1,204	1200; OR Esthetician licensure plus 450	N/A	17	NO	Required	Hands-On

Apprentice training curriculum:		Cosmetologist 2000 Hair design 1750 Barber 1200 Manicurist 800 Esthetician 800 Master esthetician 1400	N/A	17	NO	Required	Hands-On
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Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment
N/A				

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	N/A				
General Theory	NIC	Prometric	11/1/2016		
Hands-On Practical	NIC	Prometric	11/1/2016		
Written Practical	N/A				

WEST VIRGINIA

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
West Virginia Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists	www.wvbbc.com	304.558.2924	wvbbc@wv.gov	1201 DUNBAR AVE., DUNBAR, WV 25064
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Danielle J. Cordle	Danielle.j.cordle@wv.gov	304.558.2924		
Agency Structure	Description			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
Crystal Severson	Crystal.r.severson@wv.gov	304.558.2924	1201 DUNBAR AVE., DUNBAR, WV 25064			
State sends certifications to other states by:	EMAIL/FAX					
State receives certifications from other states by:	EMAIL/FAX/MAIL					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1800	YES	18	NO	YES	YES
Esthetician	600	YES	18	NO	YES	YES
Nail Technician (manicure)	400	YES	18	NO	YES	YES
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	1000	YES	18	NO	YES	YES
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	1000	YES	18	NO	YES	YES
Barber (w/chemicals)	1500	YES	18	NO	YES	YES
Barber (w/o chemicals)	1200	YES	18	NO	YES	YES
Instructor	N/A – COMPLETES 16 HOURS OF INSTRUCTOR TRAINING FROM AN APPROVED PROVIDER	YES	18	YES	YES	NO
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Waxing Specialist	125	YES	18	NO	YES	YES
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	
YES	4 HOURS PER YEAR UNTIL LICENSEE HAS BEEN LICENSED FOR 10 YEARS. LICENSEE WILL THEN COMPLETE A 3-HOUR SANITATION COURSE EVERY OTHER YEAR FOR 10 MORE YEARS. AFTER 20 YEARS OF LICENSURE, LICENSEES ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED TO COMPLETE C.E.	ONCE PER YEAR/EVERY OTHER YEAR	ONLINE OR IN-PERSON			
Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment	
State Laws and Rules	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
General Theory	NIC		Prior to 2002	Yes		
Hands-On Practical	NIC		Aug 2010			
Written Practical	N/A					

WISCONSIN

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Cosmetology Examining Board	https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/BoardsCouncils/Cosmetology/	608-266-1122	dspd@wi.gov	DSPS PO Box 8366 Madison WI 53708-8366
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Adam Barr	adam.barr@wisconsin.gov			
Agency Structure	Description			
	9 board members appointed by Governor			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
State sends certifications to other states by:						
State receives certifications from other states by:						

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1550	HS	18		Required	Required
Esthetician	450				Required	Required
Nail Technician (manicure)	300				Required	Required
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals						
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals						
Barber (w/chemicals)	1000				Required	Required
Barber (w/o chemicals)						
Instructor						
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling						
Advanced (Master) Esthetics						
Electrologist	450				Required	Required
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education		Comment	

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules					
General Theory	NIC	Prometric			
Hands-On Practical	NIC	Prometric			
Written Practical					

WYOMING

CONTACT INFORMATION

Agency Name	Website	Phone Number	Email Address	Mailing Address
Wyoming Board of Cosmetology	https://Cosmetology.wyo.gov	307-777-3534	cosmetology@wyo.gov	2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 302, Cheyenne, WY 82002
Director/Administrator Name	Email Address	Office Phone	Extension	
Sharon Bennett	Sharon.bennett@wyo.gov	307-777-3457		
Agency Structure	Description			
5-member cosmetology board, executive director, admin. assistant , 2 inspectors	5-member Board appointed by the Governor, Executive Director hired by Board, all other staff hired and managed by Executive Director			
3-member barber board, no staff	Barber Board has an administrative contract with the Board of Cosmetology			

LICENSE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Contact Name	Email Address	Phone Number	Mailing Address			
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State sends certifications to other states by:	Email					
State receives certifications from other states by:	Email, or mail					

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

License Type	School Hours	HS Diploma	Minimum Age	Laws/Rules Exam	Theory Exam	Practical Exam
Cosmetologists (scope: hair, skin, nails)	1600	10 th grade education or above	16	No	Yes	Yes
Esthetician	600	10 th grade education or above	16	No	Yes	Yes
Nail Technician (manicure)	400	10 th grade education or above	16	No	Yes	Yes
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) with chemicals	1000	10 th grade education or above	16	No	Yes	Yes
Hair Stylist (Hair Only) w/o chemicals	N/A					
Barber (w/chemicals)	1250	10 th grade education or above	17	No	Yes	Yes
Barber (w/o chemicals)	1000	10 th grade education or above	17	No	Yes	Yes
Instructor	500	Yes or its equivalent	18	No	Yes	Yes
Hair Braider/Natural Hairstyling	N/A					
Advanced (Master) Esthetics	N/A					
Continuing Education	Hours Required	How Often	Type of Education	Comment		
N/A						

EXAM INFORMATION

Exam Type	Developed By	Administered By	Since (Date)	Foreign Language(s)	Comment
State Laws and Rules	N/A				
General Theory	NIC	Board		No	
Hands-On Practical	NIC	Board		No	
Written Practical	N/A				

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