

**82B.10 EXAMINATIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Generally.** (a) An applicant for a license must pass an examination conducted by the commissioner. The examinations must be of sufficient scope to establish the competency of the applicant to act as a real estate appraiser and must conform with the current National Uniform Exam Content Outlines published by the Appraiser Qualifications Board.

(b) A passing grade for a real estate appraiser licensing examination must be the cut score defined by the Appraiser Qualifications Board criteria.

(c) To qualify for a license as a trainee real property appraiser, an applicant must pass a current trainee real property appraiser examination. The examination must test the applicant's knowledge of appraisal terms, principles, theories, and ethics as provided in this chapter.

(d) To qualify for a license as a licensed real property appraiser, an applicant must pass a current uniform licensed real property appraiser examination approved by the Appraiser Qualifications Board. The examination must test the applicant's knowledge of appraisal terms, principles, theories, and ethics as provided in this chapter.

(e) To qualify for a license as a certified residential real property appraiser, an applicant must pass a current uniform certified residential real property appraiser examination approved by the Appraiser Qualifications Board. The examination must test the applicant's knowledge of appraisal terms, principles, theories, and ethics as provided in this chapter.

(f) To qualify for a license as a certified general real property appraiser, an applicant must pass a current uniform certified general real property appraiser examination approved by the Appraiser Qualifications Board. The examination must test the applicant's knowledge of appraisal terms, principles, theories, and ethics as provided in this chapter.

(g) An applicant must complete the applicable education prerequisites in section 82B.13 and the experience requirements in section 82B.14 before the applicant takes the examination required under this section.

*[See Note.]*

Subd. 2. **Reexaminations.** An examination must be required before renewal of a license that has been suspended, or before the issuance of a license to a person whose license has been ineffective for a period of two years. No reexamination is required of an individual who has failed to renew an existing license because of absence from the state while on active duty with the armed services of the United States of America.

Subd. 3. **Examination frequency.** The commissioner must hold examinations at times and places the commissioner determines.

Subd. 4. **Period for application.** An applicant who obtains an acceptable score on an examination must file an application and obtain the license within two years of the date of successful completion of the examination or a second examination must be taken to qualify for the license.

Subd. 5. **Renewal; examination.** Except as provided in subdivision 2, no examination is required for the renewal of a license. However, a licensee who has been licensed in the state of Minnesota and who fails to renew the license for a period of two years must be required by the commissioner to again take an examination.

Subd. 6. **Examination eligibility; revocation.** No applicant may take an examination if a license as a real estate appraiser has been revoked in this or another state within two years of the date of the application.

Subd. 7. **Reciprocity.** This section may be waived by the commissioner for individuals of other jurisdictions if: (1) a written reciprocal licensing agreement is in effect between the commissioner and the licensing officials of that jurisdiction, (2) the individual is licensed in that jurisdiction, and (3) the licensing requirements of that jurisdiction are substantially similar to the provisions of this chapter.

Subd. 8. **Fees.** The commissioner may assess an examination fee sufficient to recover the actual direct costs of holding the examination.

Subd. 9. **Cheating.** The commissioner must not accept the scores of a person who has cheated on an examination. Cheating on a real estate appraiser examination must be grounds for denying an application for an appraiser's license.

**History:** 1989 c 341 art 1 s 10; 2005 c 100 s 10; 2009 c 63 s 68; 2013 c 135 art 3 s 12

**NOTE:** The amendment to subdivision 1 by Laws 2013, chapter 135, article 3, section 12, is effective January 1, 2015, and applies to an applicant for a license on or after that date. Laws 2013, chapter 135, article 3, section 12, the effective date.