

148.6408 QUALIFICATIONS FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST.

Subdivision 1. [Renumbered subd 1b]

Subd. 1a. **Qualifications.** To be licensed as an occupational therapist, an applicant must:

(1) satisfy the education and examination requirements of subdivisions 1b and 2; or

(2) satisfy the requirements for licensure by equivalency under section 148.6412 or licensure by reciprocity under section 148.6415 as applicable based on the current status of the applicant's NBCOT certification.

Subd. 1b. **Education required.** (a) An applicant who has received professional education in the United States or its possessions or territories must successfully complete all academic and fieldwork requirements of an educational program for occupational therapists approved or accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education.

(b) An applicant who has received professional education outside the United States or its possessions or territories must successfully complete all academic and fieldwork requirements of an educational program for occupational therapists approved by a member association of the World Federation of Occupational Therapists.

Subd. 2. **Qualifying examination score required.** (a) An applicant must achieve a qualifying score on the certification examination for occupational therapist.

(b) The board shall determine the qualifying score for the certification examination for occupational therapist as recommended by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy, or other national certification organization approved by the board.

(c) Applicants for licensure must:

(1) make arrangements to take the certification examination for an occupational therapist;

(2) bear all expenses associated with taking the examination; and

(3) submit an application and other materials as required by the board under section 148.6420.

History: 2000 c 361 s 6; 1Sp2017 c 6 art 11 s 9; 1Sp2025 c 3 art 3 s 39,40,124