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Initial Licensure Examination Requirements

CDCA, CITA, CRDTS, WREB

Examinations taken after 04/01/2022 must include the following clinical components: Patient-based or Manikin operative section;

Patient-based or Manikin periodontal section;

Simulated endodontic section:

Simulated prosthodontic section;

A written competency examination.

For examinations taken prior to 04/01/2022, the Board will accept a manikin-based exam in lieu of a patient-based operative exam, and WREB's CTP exam in lieu of the patient-based periodontal examination.

CITA is accepted for the years of 2016 & 2017, and must have included a periodontal section.

Source: Idaho Dentist Application Licensure by Examination

General Licensure Requirements

Idaho Statutes 54-915. QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR DENTIST, DENTAL THERAPIST, OR DENTAL HYGIENIST LICENSURE

No person hereafter shall be eligible for licensure to practice dentistry, dental therapy, or dental hygiene in this state unless the applicant:

- (1) Has not been convicted, found guilty, or received a withheld judgment or a suspended sentence in this state or in any other state of a crime that is deemed relevant in accordance with section 67-9411(1), Idaho Code, unless the person demonstrates that he has been sufficiently rehabilitated to warrant the public trust;
- (2) Shall, for dentistry, have successfully completed the course of study in dentistry, and graduated and received a degree of doctor of dental surgery or doctor of dental medicine from a dental school accepted and approved by the board;
- (3) Shall, for dental therapy, have:
- (a) Successfully completed a course of study in dental therapy;
- (b) Graduated from a dental therapy school accredited by the commission on dental accreditation of the American dental association, provided that such school has been accepted and approved by the board; and
- (c) Completed five hundred (500) hours of supervised clinical practice under the direct supervision of a dentist;
- (4) Shall, for dental hygiene, have successfully completed the course of study in dental hygiene, and received a degree from a dental hygiene school accepted and approved by the board;
- (5) Shall, for dentistry, dental therapy, and dental hygiene, pass the examinations provided for in section 54-918, Idaho Code.

54-916. APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE — FEE.

Any person desiring to practice dentistry, a dental specialty, dental therapy, or dental hygiene within the state of Idaho shall make an application for licensure in dentistry, a dental specialty, dental therapy, or dental hygiene, as the case may be, on forms furnished by the board, which forms shall call for information from the applicant as shall show his full, true name and that he possesses all the qualifications required by law for the license applied for. The application and supporting instruments as shall be required, together with payment of an application fee of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300) for dentists, the fee to be set by the rules of the board and not more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) for dental therapists and dental hygienists, the fee to be set by the rules of the board, and not more than six hundred dollars (\$600) for dental specialists, the fee to be set by the rules of the board, shall be filed with the board at a sufficient time to permit the board to investigate the applicant in order to determine he has not been convicted, found guilty, or received a withheld judgment or suspended sentence in this state or in any other state of a crime deemed relevant in accordance with section 67-9411(1), Idaho Code, and his possession of the other qualifications for licensure. The fee shall not be refunded.

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54-918. EXAMINATIONS — CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION.

- (1) An applicant for licensure shall pass such examinations in dentistry, in dental therapy, and in dental hygiene as are conducted by the board or its agent. Examinations shall be written or clinical, or both, and upon such subjects in dentistry, dental therapy, and dental hygiene as the board shall determine will thoroughly test the fitness and ability of the applicant to practice dentistry, dental therapy, or dental hygiene. An applicant for licensure shall pass the written jurisprudence examination conducted by the board. A passing score of seventy-five percent (75%) correct shall be required on the written jurisprudence examination. A passing score of at least seventy-five percent (75%) correct shall be required on any additional written or clinical examinations conducted by the board. It shall report and record the names of applicants who pass and of those who fail the examinations. Upon the candidate's request, the board will issue to each passing applicant in dentistry, who is qualified for Idaho licensure, a certificate of qualification to practice dentistry, and to each passing applicant in dental therapy, who is qualified for Idaho licensure, a certificate of qualification to practice dental therapy within the state of Idaho, and to each passing applicant in dental hygiene, who is qualified for Idaho licensure, a certificate of qualification to practice dental hygiene within the state of Idaho.
- (2) In lieu of conducting written examinations other than the jurisprudence examination, the board may require and accept the results of the national board dental and dental hygiene examinations administered by the American dental association. The American dental association shall set the standards for passing the national board dental and dental hygiene examinations. In lieu of conducting clinical examinations, the board may require and accept the results of clinical examinations administered by national or regional testing organizations approved by the board. In lieu of conducting dental therapy examinations, the board may require and accept the results of dental therapy examinations administered by national or regional testing organizations approved by the board. The national or regional testing organizations shall set the standards for passing or acceptable level of competency on the clinical or dental therapy examinations administered.
- (3) Applicants who fail any examination conducted by the board or its agent shall be notified thereof in writing by the board, which shall also record the fact of failure and the date and means of notification.
- (4) Written questions and answers of applicants shall be subject to disclosure according to chapter 1, title 74, Idaho Code, unless exempt from disclosure in that chapter and title, and shall be destroyed by the board after the period of one (1) year following the examination.

Idaho Administrative Code 24.31.01.012. EXAMINATIONS FOR LICENSURE

- 01. Written Examination. Successful completion of the NBDE may be required of all applicants for a license to practice dentistry or a dental specialty. Successful completion of the NBDHE may be required of all applicants for a license to practice dental hygiene. Dental therapists must successfully complete a board-approved written examination. Any other written examination will be specified by the Board. (3-28-23)
- 02. Clinical Examination. All applicants for a license to practice general dentistry, dental hygiene or dental therapy are required to pass a Board-approved clinical examination upon such subjects as specified by the Board. Applicants for dental hygiene and dental therapy licensure must pass a clinical local anesthesia examination. Clinical examination results will be valid for licensure by examination for a period of (5) five years from the date of successful completion of the examination. (3-28-23)
- 013. REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE. Applicants for licensure to practice dentistry must furnish proof of graduation from a school of dentistry accredited by

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	CODA at the time of applicant's graduation. Applicants for licensure to practice dental hygiene must furnish proof of graduation from a dental hygiene program accredited by CODA at the time of applicant's graduation. Applicants for licensure to practice dental therapy must furnish proof of graduation from a dental therapy program accredited by CODA at the time of applicant's graduation. (3-28-23) 014. REQUIREMENT FOR BLS. Applicants for initial licensure will provide proof of current BLS certification. Practicing licensees must maintain current BLS certification.
License by	Idaho Statutes 54-916B. DENTAL LICENSURE BY CREDENTIALS.
Credential/	The board may issue a license to practice dentistry without further examination upon
Endorsement	evidence that:
Requirements	(1) The applicant currently holds an active license in good standing to practice dentistry in another state with no disciplinary proceedings or unresolved complaints
	pending before the state's licensing board;
	(2) The applicant has been in clinical practice at least five (5) years immediately preceding the date of application for a minimum of three thousand five hundred (3,500) hours;
	(3) The applicant has graduated from a dental school accredited by the commission
	on dental accreditation of the American dental association as of the date of the
	applicant's graduation;
	(4) The applicant has successfully completed the national board dental examinations;
	(5) The applicant has successfully completed a board-approved clinical
	examination; and
	(6) The applicant has paid the application fee as set by board rule.
Specialty	Idaho Administrative Code 24.31.01.024. LICENSURE OF DENTAL
Practice	SPECIALISTS.
	01. LICENSURE OF DENTAL SPECIALISTS. 01. Requirements for Specialty
	Licensure. Each applicant for specialty licensure must have graduated from a CODA
	accredited dental school and hold a license to practice general dentistry in the state
	of Idaho or another state. The Board may grant licensure in specialty areas of
	dentistry for which a dentist has completed a CODA accredited postdoctoral advanced dental education program of at least two full-time academic years. (3-28-
	23)
	02. Examination. Specialty licensure in those specialties recognized may be granted
	solely at the discretion of the Board. An examination covering the applicant's chosen
	field may be required and, if so, will be conducted by the Board or a testing agent.
	Applicants who have met the requirements for licensure as a specialist may be
	required to pass an examination as follows: (3-28-23)
	a. Applicants who have passed a general licensure examination acceptable to the
	Board may be granted specialty licensure by Board approval. (3-28-23)
	b. Applicants who have passed a general licensure examination not acceptable to
	the Board may be required to pass a specialty examination. (3-28-23)
	c. Applicants who are certified by the American Board of that particular specialty as
	of the date of application for specialty licensure may be granted specialty licensure
	by Board approval. (3-28-23) 03. Limitation of Practice. No dentist may announce or otherwise hold himself out to
	the public as a specialist unless he has first complied with the requirements
	established by the Board for such specialty and has been issued a specialty license
	authorizing him to do so. Any individual granted a specialty license must limit his
	practice to the specialty(s) in which he is licensed. (3-28-23)
	025. SPECIALTY ADVERTISING. The specialty advertising rules are intended to
	allow the public to be informed about dental specialties and to require appropriate

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disclosures to avoid misperceptions on the part of the public. (3-28-23)

01. Recognized Specialty License. An advertisement may not state that a licensee is a specialist unless the licensee has been granted a license in that specialty area of dental practice by the Board. Use of words or terms in advertisements such as "Specialist," "Board Certified," "Diplomate," "Practice Limited To," and "Limited To Specialty Of" shall be prima facie evidence that the licensee is holding himself out to the public as a licensed specialist in a specialty area of dental practice. (3-28-23) 02. Disclaimer. A licensee who has not been granted a specialty license by the Board may advertise as being qualified in a recognized specialty area of dental practice so long as each such advertisement, regardless of form, contains a prominent, clearly worded disclaimer that the licensee is "licensed as a general dentist" or that the specialty services "will be provided by a general dentist." Any disclaimer in a written advertisement must be in the same font style and size as that in the listing of the specialty area. (3-28-23)

03. Unrecognized Specialty. A licensee may not advertise as being a specialist in or as specializing in any area of dental practice which is not a Board recognized and licensed specialty area unless the advertisement, regardless of form, contains a prominent, clearly worded disclaimer that the advertised area of dental practice is not recognized as a specialty area of dental practice by the Idaho Board of Dentistry. Any disclaimer in a written advertisement shall be in the same font style and size as that in the listing of the specialty area. (3-28-23)

Continuing Education

Idaho Statutes 54-920. LICENSING — LICENSE FEES — BIENNIAL RENEWAL OF LICENSES (1) Each person determined by the board as qualified for licensure under this chapter shall pay the prescribed biennial license fee to the board prior to issuance of a license. Unless otherwise specified on a license, licenses issued by the board shall be effective for the biennial licensing period specified in this section. The biennial licensing period for dental and dental therapy licenses shall be a two (2) year period from October 1 of each even-numbered calendar year to September 30 of the next successive even-numbered calendar year. The biennial licensing period for dental hygiene licenses shall be a two (2) year period from April 1 of each oddnumbered calendar year to March 31 of the next successive odd-numbered calendar year. Unless otherwise specified on a license, any license issued during a biennial licensing period shall be effective until the beginning date of the next successive biennial licensing period and the board may prorate the amount of the license fee from the date of issuance of the license until the beginning date of the next applicable biennial licensing period at the discretion of the board. A license issued by the board shall expire unless renewed in the manner specified in this section.

- (2) The nonrefundable biennial license fees shall be fixed by the board, but shall not exceed the following amounts:
- (a) Four hundred dollars (\$400) for a dentist with an active status;
- (b) Two hundred dollars (\$200) for a dentist with an inactive status;
- (c) Three hundred dollars (\$300) for a dental therapist with an active status;
- (d) One hundred fifty dollars (\$150) for a dental therapist with an inactive status;
- (e) Two hundred twenty dollars (\$220) for a dental hygienist with an active status;
- (f) One hundred twelve dollars (\$112) for a dental hygienist with an inactive status; or
- (g) Four hundred dollars (\$400) for a dentist with a specialist status.
- (3) A license issued by the board shall be renewed as prescribed in this section. Prior to the expiration of the effective period of a license, the board shall provide notice of renewal to the licensee's address of record on file with the board. To renew a dental license, each licensee shall submit a properly completed renewal application and the appropriate biennial license fee to the board prior to September 30 of every even-numbered calendar year. To renew a dental hygiene license, each

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licensee shall submit a properly completed renewal application and the appropriate biennial license fee to the board prior to March 31 of each odd-numbered calendar year. Each licensee determined by the board as qualified for renewal of a license shall be issued a license for the applicable biennial licensing period.

- (4) Failure to timely submit a complete renewal application and license fee shall result in expiration of the license and termination of the licensee's right to practice. Failure to submit a complete renewal application, license fee and fifty dollar (\$50.00) late fee within thirty (30) days of expiration of the license shall result in cancellation of the license.
- (5) Any person who delivers a check or other payment to the board that is returned to the board unpaid by the financial institution upon which it was drawn shall pay to the board as an administrative cost, in addition to any other amount owing, the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00). Following notification by the board of the returned check or other payment, the person shall make payment of all moneys owing to the board by certified check or money order within thirty (30) days of the date of notification. A failure to submit the necessary remittance within the thirty (30) day period may result in the expiration of a license or constitute grounds for the board to deny, cancel, suspend or revoke a license.
- (6) The board of dentistry may issue different classes of licenses as defined in this subsection.
- (a) The term "license with active status" means a license issued by the board to a qualified person who is authorized to practice dentistry, dental therapy, or dental hygiene in the state of Idaho.
- (b) The term "license with an inactive status" means a license issued by the board to a qualified person who is not authorized to be an active practitioner of dentistry, dental therapy, or dental hygiene in the state of Idaho. A person issued a license with an inactive status is not entitled to practice dentistry, dental therapy, or dental hygiene in the state of Idaho.
- (c) The terms "license with special status" and "license with provisional status" mean licenses issued by the board to a qualified person on a provisional, conditional, restricted or limited basis under the terms of which the licensee is authorized to practice dentistry, dental therapy, or dental hygiene in the state of Idaho subject to conditions, limitations and requirements imposed by the board. The conditions, limitations and requirements imposed by the board may include, but are not limited to, a limitation on the effective period of the license, a requirement that specific conditions must be fulfilled in order for the license to remain effective, a requirement that specified education, examinations and skills testing be successfully completed during the effective period of the license, a restriction on the scope of permissible services that the licensee is authorized to perform, a restriction on the type of patients for whom treatment may be rendered and a restriction on the locations at which the licensee can perform authorized services.
- (7)(a) The board may issue a license with active status to any qualified applicant or qualified licensee who is authorized to practice dentistry, dental therapy, or dental hygiene in the state of Idaho. Renewal of a license with active status requires compliance with requirements specified in rule.
- (b) The board may issue a license with inactive status to any qualified applicant or qualified licensee who fulfilled the licensure requirements but does not practice in the state of Idaho. Renewal of a license with inactive status requires compliance with requirements specified in rule.
- (c) The board may issue a license with provisional status or special status to any person who fulfills, or substantially fulfills, the applicable licensure requirements when the board, acting in its discretion, determined that special circumstances existed which, for the protection of the public health, safety and welfare, required that

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specific conditions, restrictions or limitations be imposed on the license. A license with special status or provisional status entitles the holder thereof to practice dentistry, dental therapy, or dental hygiene in the state of Idaho subject to the conditions, restrictions and limitations specifically determined by the board and for the period of time prescribed. A provisional license is effective for the period specified by the board and may not be renewed. The board shall develop rules to include definitions, application and renewal requirements, limitations of practice and other conditions regarding provisional and special status licenses.

- (d) The board may convert a license with inactive status to a license with active status in the event the holder pays the license fee prescribed for licenses with active status and submits to the board satisfactory evidence of:
- (i) Compliance with the requirements of this chapter and all rules promulgated under the provisions of this chapter;
- (ii) Good professional conduct; and
- (iii) Completion of accumulated continuing education as required of a license with uninterrupted active status.
- (e) Persons unable to otherwise fully meet the requirements for conversion of an inactive status license to an active status license must apply as a first-time applicant.
- (8) Each person licensed under this chapter shall notify the board in writing of any change in the person's name or address of record within thirty (30) days after the change has taken place.

Idaho Administrative Code 24.31.01.015. CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

015. A licensee renewing an active status license shall report 30 oral health/health-related continuing education hour credits to the Board of verifiable CE or volunteer practice.

<u>Idaho Board of Dentistry Policy Number: VI – Continuing Education - 1</u> Adopted 7/23/2021

- A. Continuing education must be oral health/health-related for the licensee's professional development.
- B. Licensees are allowed one (1) credit of continuing education for every two (2) hours of verified volunteer practice performed during the biennial renewal period up to a maximum of ten (10) credits.
- C. Any person who is granted a license with active status during any biennial renewal period shall be required at the time of the next successive license renewal to report a prorated amount of continuing education credits as specified by the Board.
- D. In conjunction with license renewal, the licensee shall provide a list of verifiable continuing education credits obtained and verification of hours of volunteer practice performed and certify that the minimum requirements were completed in the biennial renewal period.

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