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OREGON PHARMACIST LICENSING PROCEDURES

There are three ways in which to become licensed as a pharmacist in Oregon.

1. You can take the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX) with Oregon as your primary state and the Oregon Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (MPJE.) For information on the NAPLEX and Oregon MPJE, please click [here](#).
2. You can take another state's NAPLEX and score transfer the score to Oregon. You are required to then take the Oregon MPJE. For information on the Score Transfer process, please click [here](#).
3. If you are already a pharmacist in another state and want to apply for reciprocity/license transfer to Oregon, please click [here](#).

1. **NAPLEX / MPJE**

Download the Oregon NAPLEX application if you want Oregon to be your primary state of licensure. <http://oregon.gov/Pharmacy/Imports/NAPLEXApplication.pdf>.

After completing the Oregon NAPLEX application, submit it to the Oregon Board of Pharmacy with:

- A \$50.00 non-refundable processing fee;
- An original passport/visa style photograph taken within the past 6 months;
- A copy of your birth certificate (issued from the vital records office in the state you were born in) or U.S. Passport;
- Confirmation of your ACPE accredited Pharmacy (PharmD) degree, and
- Confirmation from your university/college of pharmacy that you have completed 1,440 School-based Rotational Internship hours. *(If you graduated with a Pharmacy degree prior to 2011 and you have never been licensed in another state, the Oregon Board of Pharmacy must receive confirmation from your university/college of pharmacy or state board of pharmacy that you have completed 2,000 hours of internship.)*

Register/pay for your NAPLEX and MPJE exams. The NABP fee for taking the NAPLEX is \$485.00 and the fee for the MPJE is \$200.00.

<http://www.nabp.net/programs/>

Upon receiving an Authorization-To-Test (ATT) from the NABP, follow the NABP instructions on how to request an exam time and date.
Take your NAPLEX and/or MPJE exam.

The Oregon Board of Pharmacy will be advised if you pass the exam. We will inform you of your exam results. If you have successfully passed your exams, you will be mailed an Oregon pharmacist application and a national criminal background check packet. The current pharmacist license fee is \$200.00.

Effective February 1, 2011, the Board implemented national criminal background check requirements for all new applicants. Click [here](#) for more information concerning the national criminal background checks. Be advised that the new fingerprinting requirement will require additional time for processing your application.

Upon receiving your Oregon Pharmacist License Application and passing the national background check, you will be mailed your Oregon Pharmacist license.

2. **SCORE TRANSFER**

Score transfer requests may be submitted up to 90 days after sitting for the NAPLEX. You can select additional jurisdictions during the exam registration process or submit score transfer requests separately after you sit for the scheduled exam with the NABP.

Once you have successfully passed the NAPLEX taken in your state, you must become licensed as a pharmacist in Oregon no later than 1 year from the date of your NAPLEX examination.

After receiving your NAPLEX results from the NABP, the Board of Pharmacy will mail you a Score Transfer Application. You MUST submit the application with:

- A \$200.00 non-refundable processing fee;
- An original passport/visa style photograph taken within the past 6 months;
- A copy of your birth certificate (issued from the vital records office in the state you were born in) or U.S. Passport;
- Confirmation of your ACPE accredited pharmacy (PharmD) degree, and
- Confirmation from your university/college of pharmacy that you have completed 1,440 School-based Rotational Internship hours.

Register/pay for your Oregon MPJE exam. The NABP fee for taking the MPJE is \$200.00.

<http://www.nabp.net/programs/>

Upon receiving an Authorization-To-Test (ATT) from the NABP, follow the NABP instructions on how to request an exam time and date.

Take your Oregon MPJE exam.

The Oregon Board of Pharmacy will be advised if you pass the exam. We will inform you of your exam results. If you have successfully passed your exams, you will be mailed an Oregon pharmacist application and national criminal background check. The current pharmacist license fee is \$200.00.

Effective February 1, 2011, the Board implemented national criminal background check requirements for all new applicants. Click [here](#) for more information concerning the national criminal background checks. Be advised that the new fingerprinting requirement will require additional time for processing your application

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3. **RECIPROCITY / LICENSE TRANSFER**

To be eligible to apply for reciprocity to Oregon, you must meet the requirements of Oregon Revised Statute 689.265 and:

Be a graduate of a school or college of pharmacy approved by the Board (if you are a foreign pharmacy graduate, please see additional requirements listed [here](#);

Have passed the NAPLEX or equivalent examination with a score of not less than 75;

Have passed the MPJE with a score of not less than 75;

Be licensed and in good standing in the state from which you base the reciprocity application;

Have either:

- Been engaged in the practice of pharmacy for a period of at least one year including a minimum of 1440 hours of work experience as a licensed pharmacist. Evidence supporting this work experience shall be provided at the time you submit your NABP Official Transfer of Pharmacist License (reciprocity) application to the Oregon Board of Pharmacy; or
- Met the internship requirements of this state within the one-year period immediately before the date of your reciprocity application. Evidence from the school or college of pharmacy supporting this internship shall be provided at the time you submit your NABP Official Transfer of Pharmacist License (reciprocity) application to the Oregon Board of Pharmacy.

If you meet the above requirements, follow the steps below:

- **Submit your preliminary application to NABP.** The current NABP preliminary application to transfer to another state is \$350. Click this link for more

information and to access the application.

<http://www.nabp.net/programs/licensure/licensure-transfer/>.

- **NABP processes preliminary application.** NABP will review the preliminary application. They review your pharmacist license information and professional history, as well as, among other things, your education, practical experience, and examination record.
- **Submit the NABP official application to the Oregon Board of Pharmacy.** Once the preliminary application is successfully processed, NABP will mail your official license transfer application to you. You must submit the NABP official application to the Oregon Board of Pharmacy within 90 days. The NABP Official Application to Transfer your License to Oregon processing fee is currently \$300. You are also required to submit a copy of your birth certificate (issued by the Vital Records Office from the state in which they were born in) or U.S. Passport. If you were born outside the United States, please contact the Oregon Board of Pharmacy for more information at 971/673-0001.

Please note that this NABP Official Application for License Transfer is not your application to become an Oregon Pharmacist.

- **Pass the Oregon MPJE.** You can register for the exam at any point in the licensure transfer process. The current NABP MPJE exam fee is \$200. To pay for your Oregon MPJE, go to the NABP's website:
<http://www.nabp.net/programs/examination/mpje/>
- **Receive Oregon Pharmacist License Application and National Criminal Background Check.** After receiving notification of your MPJE score from NABP, the Oregon Board of Pharmacy will mail you the exam results, an Oregon Pharmacist license application and national background check packet.
- **Become licensed as Oregon Pharmacist.** When your license application has been received and approved by the Board, your Oregon Pharmacist license will be issued and mailed to you.

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