

## SECTION .1900 – EXAMINATION

### 21 NCAC 54 .1901 EXAMINATIONS

(a) Qualifying Examinations. The following examinations shall be taken as set forth in this Rule. The applicant shall comply with this Rule and the deadlines and procedures established by the examination contractor, and the testing vendor.

- (1) National Examination. An applicant for licensure shall take the national examination after being approved for the national examination by the Board. The national examination is the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) that is developed by the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB). The passing point for licensed psychologist shall be a scaled score of 500, and the passing point for licensed psychological associate shall be a scaled score of 440, unless a licensed psychological associate applies to practice under Rule .2008(h)(3) of this Chapter. Then in order to be approved under Rule .2008(h)(3) of this Chapter, he or she must meet the passing point of a scaled score of 500. If a licensed psychological associate does not meet the passing point of a scaled score of 500, he or she must have been practicing for 5 years, as set forth in Rule .2008(h)(3) of this Chapter in order to apply to practice under Rule .2008(h)(3) of this Chapter. This examination shall not be required for an applicant who has previously taken the EPPP and whose score met the North Carolina passing point which was established for that particular administration date of the examination, unless the Board determines pursuant to G.S. 90-270.148 that an individual shall be required to take and pass a current form of the EPPP. The EPPP shall not be required for an applicant who documents meeting requirements for licensure specified in Rule .1707 of this Chapter.
- (2) State Examination. An applicant for licensure shall take the Board-developed State Examination after being approved for the state examination by the Board. The State Examination shall assess the applicant's knowledge of the North Carolina Psychology Practice Act, the rules of this Chapter and the code of ethics of the American Psychological Association. The passing point for all licensees shall be set at 78 percent of the total scored items on the examination.
- (3) Ethics Renewal Examination. An applicant for license renewal shall take the Board-developed ethics renewal examination every two years. Completion of this examination shall count for one Category A continuing education credit in ethics, as required by Rule .2104(d) of this Chapter.

(b) Special Administrations. Applicants with disabilities as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), which is hereby incorporated by reference, including subsequent amendments and editions, available at no cost at [www.ada.gov](http://www.ada.gov), and documented by a licensed medical professional shall be administered the EPPP and State examination under conditions that shall minimize the effect of the disabilities on their performance. Special test administrations shall be as comparable as possible to a standard administration.

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