Qualifications for Registration as a Professional Land Surveyor

In order to qualify for registration as a Professional Land Surveyor in Oregon, an applicant for registration must provide all of the following:

1. Evidence satisfactory to the Board of passing or having previously passed the Fundamentals of Land Surveying examination administered by NCEES.

2. Evidence satisfactory to the Board of passing or having previously passed a Board approved Principles and Practice of Land Surveying examination administered by NCEES.

3. Evidence satisfactory to the Board of passing or having previously passed an Oregon-specific four hour land surveying examination, approved by the Board and covering the United States Public Land Survey system, Oregon laws relating to land surveying, and other matters as determined by the Board.

4. Evidence satisfactory to the Board of having obtained a Board approved combination of education and experience.

5. A single application packet, which must include all of the following:
   a. A completed Registration Application form.
   b. Proof of successful passage of the NCEES Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination. For Fundamentals of Land Surveying examinations passed before October 2010, if the Applicant did not pass the examination in Oregon, official verification must be provided by the NCEES licensing jurisdiction. For Fundamentals of Land Surveying examinations passed in October 2010 or later, the Board will verify passage with NCEES.
      (Note: The uniform, national examinations are written and scored by the NCEES and administered by NCEES Exam Administration Services. Please consult NCEES for examination dates, times, locations, cost, and details).
   c. Official verification of successful passage of a Board approved NCEES Principles and Practice of Surveying examination. For NCEES Principles and Practice of Surveying examinations passed before October 2010, if the Applicant did not pass the examination in Oregon, official verification must be provided by the NCEES licensing jurisdiction. For NCEES Principles and Practice of Surveying examinations passed in October 2010 or later, the Board will verify passage with NCEES.
   d. Official transcripts of degree or coursework credentials. Official transcripts must show the degree and date awarded. For degrees or coursework not from an ABET accredited program, NCEES evaluation of the degree or coursework credentials. The cost of any NCEES Credentials Evaluation must be borne by the Applicant.
   e. A completed Experience Details form describing active practice in land surveying work, as defined in OAR 820-005-0050.
   f. Five references from individuals with knowledge of the Applicant’s technician work or land surveying work:
      (A) All five references must attest to the Applicant’s ability, professional experience, or both. All five references must complete the Reference Details form provided by the Board and submit the completed Reference Details form directly to the Applicant, in a closed and sealed envelope, signed across the sealed flap by the reference.
      (B) All of the Applicant’s qualifying land surveying work must be verified by at least one reference with direct supervision of that work.
      (C) At least three of the five references must hold active Professional Land Surveyor registration in an NCEES jurisdiction.
(D) The Board may, for good cause and upon written application, reduce the number of references required for an Applicant.

(g) For Applicants holding registration in another jurisdiction, in lieu of providing the items listed under (b) to (f) of this subsection, the Applicant may release the Applicant’s NCEES Record, if any, to the Board. (Note: See http://ncees.org/records/).

(h) Any and all professional disciplinary records of the Applicant, including but not limited to final orders, letters of reprimand, stipulations, and settlement agreements.

(i) The required application and wall certificate fees.

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