

# **COMPILATION OF STATE RULES, REGULATIONS AND STATUTES FOR THE LICENSING OF LAND SURVEYORS, LAND SURVEYORS IN TRAINING, AND COMITY**

**MAY 2011**

## **ALABAMA**

<http://www.bels.state.al.us/pdfs/Law%20&%20%20Code%20-%20January2011.pdf>

### **LSIT**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduate of a 4 year land surveying curriculum with minimum of 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours of surveying courses from school or college approved by the board FS exam	0
Graduate of a 4 years of a related science curriculum FS exam	4 years

### **PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduate of a 4 year land surveying curriculum with minimum of 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours of surveying courses from school or college approved by the board FS exam and PLS exam	4 years
Graduate of a 4 years of a curriculum related to surveying with minimum of 15 semester hours or 22.5 quarter hours of surveying courses from a school or college approved by the board FS exam and PLS exam	6 years
Graduate of 4 years of a related science curriculum FS exam and PLS exam	8 years

### **COMITY**

**PLS:** The board may, upon application, grant to any person who holds a valid professional land surveying certificate issued by any jurisdiction of the United States or of any country, admission into a two-hour written examination of laws, procedures, and practices pertaining to land surveying in Alabama, provided that the education, experience, and examination qualifications of the applicant are, in the judgment of the board, of a standard not lower than that specified in the applicable licensure act in effect in Alabama at the time such certificate was issued. Upon passing the examination, the applicant shall be granted a certificate of licensure to practice land surveying in this state, provided the applicant is otherwise qualified.

**LSIT:** The education, experience, and examination qualifications of the applicant are, in the judgment of the board, of a standard not lower than that specified in the applicable licensure act in effect in Alabama at the time such certificate was issued. The board may accept fundamentals of land surveying examinations of comparable character taken and passed in another jurisdiction.

**EXAMS:** The board may accept fundamentals and principles and practice examinations of comparable character taken and passed in another jurisdiction.

**ALASKA**

<http://www.dced.state.ak.us/occ/pub/aelsstatutesregs.pdf>

**LSIT**

<b>EDUCATION</b> <b>After July 01, 2010</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduate of a B.S. degree in an ABET accredited curriculum in land surveying FS exam	0
Graduate of Board approved A.S. degree in land surveying FS exam	3 years
Course work in board approved curriculum in land surveying- no degree (minimum of two years of credit hours) (Up to three years of education is equivalent for up to three years of experience) FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduate of an ABET accredited or board approved curriculum with a B.S. degree in land surveying <b>and</b> a master's or doctorate degree in land surveying FS exam and PLS exam	3 years
Graduate of an ABET accredited or board approved land surveying curriculum 4-year course FS exam and PLS exam	4 years
Graduate of an ABET accredited or board approved land surveying curriculum 2-year course FS exam and PLS exam	6 years
Course work in board approved curriculum in land surveying- no degree (minimum of two years of credit hours) (Up to three years of education is equivalent for up to three years of experience) FS exam and PLS exam	6 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A person holding a certificate of registration authorizing the person to practice land surveying in a state, territory or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country, may, upon application, be registered in accordance with the regulations of the board if the person's certificate was issued under requirements comparable to those in this state.

**ARIZONA**

<http://www.btr.state.az.us/UserFiles/File/PDFs/Rules.pdf>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a 4 year land surveying degree (ABET accredited) FS exam	0
No education (or a combination of education, experience or both) FS exam	4 years (experience and/or education)

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
No education (or a combination of education, experience or both) (ABET accredited bachelor degree in land surveying counts as 48 months of experience) FS exam and PLS exam	6 years (experience and/or education)

**COMITY**

**PLS:** Examination is waived if:

- Applicant holds a valid certificate of registration in good standing issued by another state or foreign country which has or had requirements for registration substantially identical to those of this state.
- Holds a certificate of qualification in good standing issued by a national bureau of registration or certification recognized by the Board.
- Has been actively engaged in another state or foreign country as a professional registrant in the profession in which registration is sought for at least ten years and holds a valid certificate of registration in good standing issued by that state or country.

**ARKANSAS**

<http://www.pels.arkansas.gov/rulesRegsStandards/Documents/9-27-09%20Edition.pdf>

**LSIT**

<b>EDUCATION</b> <b>EFFECTIVE January 01, 2017</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Baccalaureate degree with at least 30 semester credit hours, or the equivalent approved by the board, in courses involving land surveying, mapping, and real property approved by the board. FS exam	0
Associate of science degree or associate of applied science degree in surveying from a program approved by the board or its equivalent. FS exam	0

**PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b> <b>EFFECTIVE January 01, 2017</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Baccalaureate degree with at least 30 semester credit hours or equivalent, as approved by the board, in courses involving land surveying, mapping, and real property, as approved by the board. FS exam and PLS exam	3 years
Associate of science degree or associate of applied science degree in surveying from a program approved by the board or its equivalent, as approved by the board. FS exam and PLS exam	6 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A person holding a certificate of licensure to engage in the practice of land surveying issued to him or her on the basis of a written examination by proper authority of a state, territory, possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign country, based on requirements and qualifications as shown on his or her application that in the opinion of the board are equal to or higher than the requirements of this chapter may be licensed at the discretion of the board. (May not apply after January 01, 2017)

**LSIT:** A person holding a certificate of licensure as a surveyor intern issued to him or her on the basis of a written examination by proper authority of a state, territory, possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign country, based on requirements and qualifications as shown on his or her application, which requirements and qualifications, in the opinion of the board, are equal to or higher than the requirements of this chapter, may be licensed as a surveyor intern at the discretion of the board. (May not apply after January 01, 2017)

**CALIFORNIA**

[http://www.pels.ca.gov/licensees/pls\\_act.pdf](http://www.pels.ca.gov/licensees/pls_act.pdf)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
<p>No education required, however the required two years of qualifying experience may consist of two years of experience in land surveying, two years of postsecondary education, or a combination of experience and education totaling two years.</p> <p>FS exam</p>	2
<p><b>FS exam waived if applicant:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Holds valid licensure as a professional civil engineer in California</li> <li>• Holds valid certification as an engineer-in-training obtained by passing a written examination which normally requires a minimum of eight hours to complete and the content of the examination is designed to test the candidate's knowledge of fundamental engineering subjects including mathematics and the basic sciences.</li> <li>• Is a graduate of an approved land surveying curriculum and submits satisfactory evidence to the Board that he or she has fifteen (15) years or more of additional land surveying work experience satisfactory to the Board that has been gained in addition to graduation, or any other education experience, and while performing land surveying tasks under the direction of a person legally authorized to practice land surveying.</li> <li>• Is a graduate of a nonapproved land surveying curriculum and submits satisfactory evidence to the Board that he or she has seventeen (17) years or more of additional land surveying work experience satisfactory to the Board that has been gained in addition to graduation, or any other education experience, and while performing land surveying tasks under the direction of a person legally authorized to practice in land surveying.</li> <li>• Is a graduate of an approved land surveying curriculum and an approved postgraduate land surveying curriculum and submits satisfactory evidence to the Board that he or she has fourteen (14) years or more of additional land surveying work experience satisfactory to the Board that has been gained in addition to graduation, or any other education experience, and while performing land surveying tasks under the direction of a person legally authorized to practice in land surveying.</li> <li>• Is a graduate of a nonapproved land surveying curriculum and an approved postgraduate land surveying curriculum and submits satisfactory evidence to the Board that he or she has sixteen (16) years or more of additional land surveying work experience satisfactory to the Board that has been gained in addition to graduation, or any other education experience, and while performing land surveying tasks under the direction of a person legally authorized to practice in land surveying.</li> <li>• Holds valid certification as a land surveyor-in-training in another state obtained by passing a written examination which normally requires a minimum of eight hours to complete and the content of the examination is designed to test the candidate's knowledge of fundamentals of land surveying including mathematics and the basic sciences. Such an applicant may be issued a California certificate as a land surveyor-in-training.</li> </ul>	0

**CALIFORNIA (continued)****PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
<p>No education required, however the required six years of qualifying experience may partially consist of the following credit for education:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A graduate from a four-year curriculum with an emphasis in land surveying accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) shall be given four years experience credit.</li><li>• A graduate of a curriculum with an emphasis in land surveying not accredited by ABET shall be given two years experience credit.</li><li>• Incomplete undergraduate education in land surveying at an institution accredited by ABET shall be given one-half year of experience for each year of study completed, except that the maximum of such experience credit shall be two years per applicant. A year of study shall be at least 32 semester units or 48 quarter units, no less than 10 semester units or 15 quarter units of which shall be from classes clearly identified as being land surveying subjects.</li><li>• A maximum of five years experience shall be credited for graduation from a cooperative work-study land surveying curriculum accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)</li></ul> <p>FS exam and PLS exam</p>	<p>6 years (experience and/or education)</p>
<p>An applicant for licensure as a land surveyor who holds a valid and unexpired registration or license as a civil engineer is exempt from the application requirements of this section provided he or she submits sufficient documentation that he or she has a minimum of two years of actual experience in land surveying as required by Business and Professions Code Section 8742(a)(3).</p>	<p>2 years</p>

**COMITY**

**PLS:** Under the Professional Land Surveyor's Act, (Business and Professions Code §§ 8700 – 8805) Section 8748:

The board, upon application therefor, and the payment of the application and license fees fixed by this chapter, may issue a land surveyor's license, without written examination, to any person who holds a valid land surveyor's license issued to him by any State or country when the applicant's qualifications meet the requirements of this chapter and rules established by the board.

**COLORADO**

<http://www.dora.state.co.us/aes/licensing/requirements-pepls.htm#pls>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of 4 year board-approved surveying or surveying technology curriculum. FS exam	0
Graduate of 2 year board-approved surveying curriculum FS exam	2 years
Graduated from high school or the equivalent (maximum of one year of educational credit may be substituted for one year of experience) FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of 4 year board-approved surveying curriculum and Colorado LSIT PLS exam	2 years
Graduate of 4 year nonboard-approved surveying curriculum and Colorado LSIT PLS exam	4 years
Colorado LSIT and graduate of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 year board-approved surveying curriculum; or</li> <li>• Four year engineering curriculum which included the equivalent of twenty-four semester hours in surveying course work as approved by the board</li> </ul> PLS exam	6 years
Graduate from high school or its equivalent and Colorado LSIT PLS exam <b>(This path to licensure will be repealed effective July 1, 2020.)</b>	10 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** An applicant may qualify for licensing as a professional land surveyor by endorsement and examination if such applicant passes the required examination or examinations pertaining to Colorado law. In order to be admitted to the examination [pertaining to Colorado law] the applicant must be licensed in good standing in another jurisdiction requiring qualifications substantially equivalent to those currently required of applicants under this part 2 or, at the time of initial licensure in such jurisdiction, have met the requirements for licensure then in existence under Colorado law.

**CONNECTICUT**

[http://www.ct.gov/dcp/lib/dcp/dcp\\_regulations/20-300\\_professional\\_engineers\\_and\\_land\\_surveyors.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/dcp/lib/dcp/dcp_regulations/20-300_professional_engineers_and_land_surveyors.pdf)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of baccalaureate degree in surveying from a school, college, or university holding regional accreditation, including the completion of at least thirty (30) semester credits in surveying subjects. FS exam	0
Graduate of a related science curriculum of four years or more which shall include surveying courses satisfactory to the board FS exam	2 years
"Non-graduate" FS exam	6 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of baccalaureate degree in surveying from a school, college, or university holding regional accreditation, including the completion of at least thirty (30) semester credits in surveying subjects. FS and PLS exam	3 years
"Non-graduate" with no educational credits (see statutes for definition of "experience") FS and PLS exam	9 years
"Non-graduate" with four-year degree (civil engineering major) (see statutes for definition of "experience") FS and PLS exam	4 years
"Non-graduate" with two-year degree (surveying major) (see statutes for definition of "experience") FS and PLS exam	5 years
"Non-graduate" with two-year degree (civil engineering major) (see statutes for definition of "experience") FS and PLS exam	6 years
"Graduate" or "Non-graduate" (see statutes for definition of "experience") FS and PLS exam (but board may waive FS exam)	16 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The applicant shall hold a license, certificate of qualification or registration issued by a proper authority of any state or territory or possession of the United States, or any country, provided the requirements for registration of land surveyors under which such license, certificate of qualification or registration was issued shall not conflict with the statutory provisions pertaining to and shall be of a standard not lower than the requirements for licensure of land surveyors in the State of Connecticut and shall have passed that portion of the written examination which is specific to Connecticut practice.

**LSIT:** The applicant shall hold a license or certificate of qualification as a surveyor-in-training (SIT) issued by a proper authority of any state or territory or possession of the United

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States, or any country, provided the requirements for certification under which such license or certificate of qualification was issued shall not conflict with the statutory provisions pertaining to and are of a standard at least equal to the requirements for licensure as a surveyor-in-training in the State of Connecticut.

**DELAWARE**

<http://delcode.delaware.gov/title24/c027/sc02/index.shtml>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of 4 year surveying program. FS exam	0
Graduate of a 4-year or more program as acceptable to the Board FS exam	2 years
Graduate of 2 year surveying program. FS exam	2 years
Obtained Level IV Survey Technician Certification established by the National Society of Professional Surveyors -- American Congress on Surveying and Mapping or similar certification acceptable to the Board. FS exam	5.5 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Served as surveyor intern (LSIT as described above) (Experience required for PLS is above and beyond that required for LSIT) PLS exam	4 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The Board shall grant a license to each applicant who shall present proof of current licensure in good standing in another state, the District of Columbia, or territory of the United States whose standards for licensure are substantially similar to those of this State and who meets the following criteria:

- (1) That applicant's license is in good standing as defined in § 2708(a)(3), (4), (5) and (6) of this title; and
  - (2) Has achieved the passing score on the 2-hour written examination on drainage and the Delaware law.
- (b) An applicant who is licensed or registered in a state whose standards are not substantially similar to those of this State shall have practiced for a minimum of 5 years after licensure; provided, however, that the applicant meets all other qualifications for reciprocity in this section.

**FLORIDA**

<http://www.800helpfla.com/psm/pdfs/Chapter120.pdf>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of an approved surveying and mapping curriculum in a school that has been approved by the board. FS exam	0 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of 4 years or more surveying and mapping degree program from a college or university recognized by the board which must have included not fewer than thirty-two (32) semester hours or its academic equivalent, in the science of surveying and mapping or in board-approved surveying-and-mapping-related courses. PLS exam	4 years
Graduate of a 4-year course of study, other than in surveying and mapping, at an accredited college or university in which was completed a specific four (4) year course of study which included at least thirty-two (32) semester hours of study, or its academic equivalent, which included twenty-five (25) semester hours or thirty-seven (37) quarter hours in courses labeled by the college or university as courses in surveying and mapping or in any combination of courses in civil engineering, forestry, mathematics, photogrammetry, land law, and the physical sciences. PLS exam	6 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The board shall certify as qualified for a license by endorsement an applicant who:

1. Holds a valid license to practice surveying and mapping issued prior to July 1, 1999, by another state or territory of the United States; has passed a national, regional, state, or territorial licensing examination that is substantially equivalent to the examination required by s. 472.013; and has a specific experience record of at least 8 years as a subordinate to a registered surveyor and mapper in the active practice of surveying and mapping, 6 years of which must be of a nature indicating that the applicant was in responsible charge of the accuracy and correctness of the surveying and mapping work performed;
2. Holds a valid license to practice surveying and mapping issued by another state or territory of the United States if the criteria for issuance of the license were substantially the same as the licensure criteria that existed in Florida at the time the license was issued.

All applicants for licensure by endorsement must pass the Florida law and rules portion of the examination prior to licensure.

**GEORGIA**

[http://sos.georgia.gov/acrobat/PLB/laws/09\\_Professional\\_Engineers\\_and\\_Land\\_Surveyors.pdf](http://sos.georgia.gov/acrobat/PLB/laws/09_Professional_Engineers_and_Land_Surveyors.pdf)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Earn a bachelor's degree in a curriculum approved by the board and acquire a minimum of 15 quarter hours' credit, or its equivalent, in land surveying subjects and 5 quarter hours' credit in hydrology in a course of study approved by the board. FS exam	0
Earn an associate degree, or its equivalent, in a curriculum approved by the board and acquire a minimum of 15 quarter hours' credit, or its equivalent, in land surveying subjects and 5 quarter hours' credit in hydrology in a course of study approved by the board. FS exam	2 years
Earn a high school diploma or its equivalent and acquire a minimum of 15 quarter hours' credit, or its equivalent, in land surveying subjects and 5 quarter hours' credit in hydrology in a course of study approved by the board. FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Obtain certification as a land surveyor-in-training (as described above) with 4 years of additional experience as an LSIT. PLS exam	4 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The board may issue a certificate of registration as a land surveyor to any person who holds a certificate of registration to practice land surveying issued by a state or territory or possession of the United States obtained:

- (1) By written examination of not less than eight hours in duration prior to July 1, 1968;
  - (2) By written examination of not less than 16 hours in duration prior to July 1, 1978; or
  - (3) Under qualifications comparable to those prescribed by this chapter; and
- in addition passes a written examination on the laws of Georgia relating to land surveying (land surveyor examination).

**HAWAII**

[http://hawaii.gov/dcca/pvl/pvl/har/har\\_115-c.pdf](http://hawaii.gov/dcca/pvl/pvl/har/har_115-c.pdf)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a school or college approved by the board as of satisfactory standing, and has completed a geo-science, civil engineering, or general engineering curriculum of four years or more. FS exam	0
Graduate of a school or college approved by the board as of satisfactory standing, and has completed a civil engineering technology (survey option) curriculum of two years or more or arts and sciences curriculum of four years or more . FS exam	5 years
No education FS exam	9 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a school or college approved by the board as of satisfactory standing, and has completed a geo-science, civil engineering, or general engineering curriculum of four years or more. FS exam and PLS exam	3 years
Graduate of a school or college approved by the board as of satisfactory standing, and has completed a civil engineering technology (survey option) curriculum of two years or more or arts and sciences curriculum of four years or more PLS exam	7 years
No education PLS exam	11 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** To be eligible for licensure by endorsement, a person shall hold a current license from another jurisdiction, currently possess the appropriate education and lawful experience requirements provided in section 464-8(c) (2) to (4), HRS, and sections 16-115-75(a) and 16-115-79, and shall either:

- (1) Have successfully passed the NCEES fundamentals of land surveying examination and the NCEES professional land surveying examination, or similar state-produced licensing examination; or
- (2) Possess at least fifteen years of experience in responsible charge of land surveying work as approved by the board.

(c) Every person shall be required to pass the board-produced professional land surveying examination on Hawaii land matters and Hawaii land description, and certify on the application that the person has read, understood, and agrees to comply with the laws and rules of the board.

**IDAHO**

<http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/idstat/Title54/T54CH12SECT54-1212.htm>

**LSIT**

<b>EDUCATION</b> <b>EFFECTIVE July 01, 2010</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduation from an approved surveying curriculum of four (4) years or more in a school or college approved by the board as being of satisfactory standing. FS exam	0
Graduation with a bachelor's degree in a related science from a school or college approved by the board, evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant possesses knowledge and skill approximating that attained through graduation from an approved four (4) year surveying curriculum FS exam	0 years

**PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b> <b>EFFECTIVE July 01, 2010</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduation from an approved surveying curriculum of four (4) years or more in a school or college approved by the board as being of satisfactory standing, and passing the FS exam. PLS exam	4 years
Graduation with a bachelor's degree in a related science from a school or college approved by the board, evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant possesses knowledge and skill approximating that attained through graduation from an approved four (4) year surveying curriculum, and passing the FS exam. PLS exam	4 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The board), may issue a license as a professional land surveyor to any person who holds a license issued to the applicant by the proper authority of any state, territory or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or of a foreign country, provided that, in the opinion of the board, the applicant possesses the education, experience and examination credentials, or their equivalents, that were specified in the applicable licensing chapter in effect in this state at the time such license was issued, provided that a professional land surveyor applicant must successfully pass a land surveying examination as prepared and administered by the board, and provided such state, territory, possession or country will license, without examination and upon substantially the same condition, to applicants holding licenses issued by the board under this chapter. In the event the applicant has been licensed and has practiced as a professional land surveyor in another jurisdiction for a minimum of eight (8) years, has no outstanding disciplinary action, and is in good standing under a licensing system which, in the opinion of the board, maintains substantially equivalent professional standards as required under this chapter, the board may, in its discretion, waive the requirement for satisfaction of prescriptive credentials in education and examination.

**ILLINOIS**

<http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/068/068012700000050R.html>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
A baccalaureate degree in land surveying from an accredited college or university FS exam	0
<p>A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university in a related science, including 24 semester hours of land surveying courses.</p> <p>(A “baccalaureate degree in Related Science” is a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university that includes core courses in at least the following subjects, or their equivalents, for the minimum semester hours shown:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 semester hours in Mathematics (College Algebra and beyond)</li> <li>• 8 semester hours in Basic Sciences (Physics and/or Chemistry)</li> <li>• 20 semester hours in Additional Basic Sciences (including, but not limited to: Geology, Geography, Dendrology, Astronomy, Biology, Soil Mechanics, and engineering sciences)</li> <li>• 24 semester hours in Land Surveying courses (including, but not limited to: fundamentals of land surveying, boundary surveying, route surveying, topographic surveying, descriptions, legal aspects, subdivision design, data computations and adjustments, map projections and geometric geodesy and photogrammetry)</li> </ul> <p>FS exam</p>	0

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
<p>Hold a license as a Professional Land Surveyor-in-Training (either issued by Illinois as described above, or certification, on forms provided by the Division, from the state or territory of the United States in which the applicant was originally licensed as a Surveyor-in-Training and/or Land Surveyor)</p> <p>PLS exam</p>	4 years in responsible charge

**COMITY**

**PLS or LSIT:** An applicant who is licensed or registered to practice Land Surveying as a Professional Land Surveyor or a Professional Land Surveyor-in-Training under the laws of another state or territory of the United States who desires to become licensed by endorsement shall file an application with the Division together with:

- 1) Proof that the applicant has met the requirements substantially equivalent to those in force in this State for a Licensed Professional Land Surveyor at the time of original or subsequent licensure by examination in the other state or territory, including certification of education, and verification of experience as appropriate;
- 2) A certification by the state or territory of original licensure and certification from the state or territory of predominant active practice.

Applicants for licensure on the basis of endorsement shall successfully complete the Illinois Jurisdictional Examination

**INDIANA**

[http://www.in.gov/pla/files/SBRLS\\_2010\\_Compilation.pdf](http://www.in.gov/pla/files/SBRLS_2010_Compilation.pdf)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of an approved land surveying curriculum of at least four years. FS exam	0
Experience and education in land surveying indicating that the applicant has acquired knowledge and skill approximating that acquired through graduation in an approved surveying curriculum of at least four (4) years. FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of an approved land surveying curriculum. PLS exam	4 years
Experience and education in land surveying (total) PLS exam	8 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The board may issue a certificate of registration as a land surveyor to any person who meets the following conditions:

- (1) Properly applies for a certificate of registration.
- (2) Pays the required fee.
- (3) Holds a valid certificate of registration as a land surveyor issued by the proper authority of any state of the United States if the requirements for registration of land surveyors under which the certificate of registration was issued do not conflict with the provisions of this chapter and were of a standard not lower than that specified in the applicable registration statute in effect in Indiana at the time the certificate was issued.

**IOWA**

<http://www.legis.state.ia.us/IACODE/2003/542B/14.html>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduation from a course of two years or more in mathematics, physical sciences, mapping and surveying, or engineering in a school or college which, in the opinion of the board, will properly prepare the applicant for the examination in fundamental land surveying subjects. FS exam	6 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
In addition to the above requirements in becoming an LSIT, 4 years of experience PLS exam	4 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A person holding a certificate of licensure as a land surveyor issued to the person by a proper authority of a state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or of any foreign country, based on requirements and qualifications, in the opinion of the board equal to or higher than the requirements of this chapter, may be licensed without further examination.

**KANSAS**

<http://www.accesskansas.org/ksbtp/rulesregs.html>

**LSIT**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduation from a four-year land surveying baccalaureate curriculum accredited by the accreditation board for engineering and technology (ABET) FS exam	0
Graduation from an approved land surveying curriculum of two years from a school or college approved by the board. FS exam	0
Graduation from an approved four-year related science curriculum, which may include geology, mathematics, chemistry, or physics. FS exam	0
Graduation from an approved engineering curriculum as defined in K.A.R. 66-9-4 FS exam	0
Successful completion of the board's "land surveying curriculum," which was approved by the board on December 8, 2006 (61 specific credits to be completed at a technical school, technical college, community college, college, or university approved by the Board) FS exam	0
Combination of education and experience for those not meeting the above conditions. FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduation from a four-year land surveying baccalaureate curriculum accredited by the accreditation board for engineering and technology (ABET) PLS exam	4 years
Graduation from an approved land surveying curriculum of two years from a school or college approved by the board. PLS exam	6 years
Graduation from an approved four-year related science curriculum, which may include geology, mathematics, chemistry, or physics. PLS exam	6 years
Graduation from an approved engineering curriculum as defined in K.A.R. 66-9-4 PLS exam	6 years
Successful completion of the board's "land surveying curriculum," which was approved by the board on December 8, 2006 (61 specific credits to be completed at a technical school, technical college, community college, college, or university approved by the Board) PLS exam	6 years
Through June 30, 2012, no education. PLS exam	8 years

## **KANSAS (continued)**

### **COMITY**

**PLS:** Each applicant for a land surveying license by reciprocity shall meet the following requirements:

- (1) Provide verification from the employer of at least eight years of land surveying experience or education, or a combination of these, pursuant to K.S.A. 74-7022 and amendments thereto; and
- (2) supply at least three references from licensed land surveyors or licensed professional engineers who are familiar with the applicant's land surveying experience. At least one reference shall be from a licensed land surveyor.

For purposes of K.S.A. 74-7024 and amendments thereto, each applicant for a license by reciprocity shall be deemed to have met the educational standard acceptable to the board if the applicant's educational qualifications when the original license was issued would have met the Kansas requirements in effect on that date.

**KENTUCKY**<http://162.114.4.13/krs/322-00/CHAPTER.HTM>**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
<p>Applicants shall be eligible to take the Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination upon completion of the core curriculum in land surveying or during the final year (defined as the completion of at least 105 semester credit hours in the program) if [the first] twelve (12) hours or more of the core curriculum in land surveying [listed below] have been completed .</p> <p>(The core curriculum in land surveying and related areas shall consist of twenty-four (24) semester credit hours from a board-approved college or university as follows:</p> <p>(1) A minimum of twelve (12) semester credit hours in at least three (3) of the following subject areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) Principles of Surveying;</li><li>(b) Professional Ethics and Conduct;</li><li>(c) Computer Graphics related to land surveying;</li><li>(d) Geographic Information Systems;</li><li>(e) Route Surveying;</li><li>(f) Land Boundary Location; or</li><li>(g) Boundary Law.</li></ul> <p>(2) The remainder of the twenty-four (24) semester credit hours shall come from the following subject areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) Automated Surveying and Mapping;</li><li>(b) Geodetic Surveying;</li><li>(c) Hydrographic Surveying;</li><li>(d) Photogrammetry;</li><li>(e) Subdivision and Land Use Planning;</li><li>(f) Advanced Surveying Measurement;</li><li>(g) Construction Surveying;</li><li>(h) Public Land Systems;</li><li>(i) Remote Sensing Applications; or</li><li>(j) Mine Surveying.)</li></ul> <p>FS exam</p>	<p>0</p>

## **KENTUCKY (continued)**

### **PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduation from a board-approved program of four (4) years or more in land surveying from a college or university PLS exam	3 years
Graduation from a program of four (4) years or more in other than land surveying from a college or university of recognized standing, completion of a twenty-four (24) semester credit hour core curriculum in land surveying (see above) PLS exam	4 years
Graduation from a civil, mining or agricultural engineering program of four (4) years or more accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission (EAC) of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) or any engineering program deemed equivalent by the board, completion of twelve (12) semester credit hours of the core curriculum in land surveying (see above) PLS Exam	4 years

### **COMITY**

#### **PLS:**

The board may, by promulgation of administrative regulations, establish requirements and fees for licensure by reciprocity for those applicants who:

- (1) Hold a current license or certificate of registration to engage in the practice of engineering or land surveying issued by any state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign country; and
- (2) Submit proof that the requirements and qualifications supporting that license or certificate:
  - (a) Are not in conflict with the provisions of this chapter; and
  - (b) Equal or exceed this state's requirements in effect on the date of issuance. However, the land surveyor applicant may be required to take examinations, as the board deems necessary, to determine the competency to engage in the practice of land surveying in this state. The examination shall include questions on laws, procedures, and practices pertaining to land surveying in this state.

**LOUISIANA**

[http://www.lapels.com/docs/Laws\\_and\\_Rules/WebLaw11-2008.pdf](http://www.lapels.com/docs/Laws_and_Rules/WebLaw11-2008.pdf)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate holding a baccalaureate degree from a curriculum of four years or more who has completed at least thirty semester credit hours, or the equivalent approved by the board, in courses involving land surveying, mapping, and real property approved by the board. FS exam	0

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
A Land Surveyor Intern (LSIT) PLS exam	4 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** An individual who holds a valid license to engage in the practice of land surveying issued to him by the proper authority of a state, territory, or possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia, based on requirements that do not conflict with the provisions of this Chapter and which were of a standard not lower than that specified in the applicable licensure laws in effect in Louisiana at the time such license was issued, who has passed a written examination on the laws, procedures, and practices pertaining to land surveying in Louisiana, who is of good character and reputation, and who has satisfied the requirements of R.S. 37:694, and if the state, territory, or possession, or the District of Columbia, in which he is licensed will accept the licenses issued by the board on a reciprocal basis.

**MAINE**

<http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/32/title32ch121sec0.html>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with baccalaureate degree, which includes a minimum surveying core curriculum approved by the board. FS exam	0
Graduate with an associate degree, which includes a minimum surveying core curriculum approved by the board. FS exam	2 years
Completed minimum surveying core curriculum approved by the board. FS exam	6 years
No education FS exam	7 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Maine land surveyor-in-training PLS exam	2 years

**COMITY**

A person holding a license as a surveyor-in-training or as a professional land surveyor issued on comparable qualifications from a state, territory or possession of the United States with experience satisfactory to the board must be given comity consideration. The applicant may be required to take examinations as the board determines necessary to determine the applicant's qualifications.

**MARYLAND**

<http://www.dllr.state.md.us/license/lis/lsexamfund.shtml#req>

<http://www.dllr.state.md.us/license/lis/lsexamprinc.shtml#req>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduated from a college or university with a 4-year curriculum in land surveying that the Board approves. FS exam	0
Graduated with a 4-year curriculum from a college or university that is accredited by, or is a constituent unit of an institution accredited by, the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools or the equivalent regional accrediting association of other regional areas FS exam	0
Graduated from high school or the equivalent FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
After graduating from a college or university with a 4-year curriculum in land surveying that the Board approves, and after next taking the FS exam, the applicant accumulates two years of experience and takes the PLS exam.	2 years
After graduating with a 4-year curriculum from a college or university that is accredited by, or is a constituent unit of an institution accredited by, the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools or the equivalent regional accrediting association of other regional areas, and after next taking the FS exam, the applicant accumulates four years of experience and takes the PLS exam.	4 years
After graduating from high school or the equivalent, accumulating four years of experience and after next taking the FS exam, the applicant accumulates another four years of experience and takes the PLS exam.	4 years
After graduating from high school or its equivalent, accumulates twelve years of experience and takes the PLS exam	12 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** An applicant who is licensed to practice Surveying in another state or territory of the United States may qualify for licensure by reciprocity if he or she provides adequate evidence that, at the time he or she was licensed by the other state or territory he or she met requirements that were equivalent to those required by Maryland; or, provides adequate evidence that, at the time of application for reciprocity, he or she meets the requirements currently required by the laws of Maryland, and having passed state-specific examinations on *Maryland Law* and *Storm Drain and Road Grade Design*

**MASSACHUSETTS**

[http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=ocaterminal&L=6&L0=Home&L1=Licensee&L2=Division+of+Professional+Licensure+Boards&L3=Board+of+Registration+of+Professional+Engineers+and+Professional+Land+Surveyors&L4=Statutes+and+Regulations&L5=Rules+and+Regulations+Governing+Professional+Engineers+and+Professional+Land+Surveyors&sid=Eoca&b=terminalcontent&f=dpl\\_boards\\_en\\_cmr\\_250c\\_mr300&csid=Eoca#3.02](http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=ocaterminal&L=6&L0=Home&L1=Licensee&L2=Division+of+Professional+Licensure+Boards&L3=Board+of+Registration+of+Professional+Engineers+and+Professional+Land+Surveyors&L4=Statutes+and+Regulations&L5=Rules+and+Regulations+Governing+Professional+Engineers+and+Professional+Land+Surveyors&sid=Eoca&b=terminalcontent&f=dpl_boards_en_cmr_250c_mr300&csid=Eoca#3.02)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with Bachelor of Science in Surveying or Engineering, including approved courses in land surveying, from an institution authorized to grant this degree by the Massachusetts Legislature; or Graduate with Bachelor of Science in Surveying or Engineering accredited by ABET and including approved courses in land surveying. FS exam	2 years
Graduate with Bachelor of Science or Associate degree in Surveying or Civil Engineering Technology including at least 12 credit hours in approved courses in land surveying; or two years of formal education above high school level with at least 60 semester credit hours passed including at least 12 credit hours in approved courses in land surveying or equivalent quarter hours or the equivalent approved by the Board FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with Bachelor of Science in Surveying or Engineering, including approved courses in land surveying, from an institution authorized to grant this degree by the Massachusetts Legislature; or Graduate with Bachelor of Science in Surveying or Engineering accredited by ABET and including approved courses in land surveying. FS exam and PLS exam	4 years
Graduate with Bachelor of Science or Associate degree in Surveying or Civil Engineering Technology including at least 12 credit hours in approved courses in land surveying; or Two years of formal education above high school level with at least 60 semester credit hours passed including at least 12 credit hours in approved courses in land surveying or equivalent quarter hours or the equivalent approved by the Board FS exam and PLS exam	6 years
No education FS exam and PLS exam	12 years
No education PLS exam	20 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A person holding a certificate of registration to engage in the practice of land surveying issued on comparable qualifications from a state, commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States,

**MASSACHUSETTS (continued)**

will be given comity consideration. However, he may be asked to take such examinations as the board deems necessary to determine his qualifications, but in any event he shall be required to pass the required written examination of not less than four hours' duration, which shall include questions on laws, procedures and practices pertaining to practice in the commonwealth.

**MICHIGAN**

[http://www.legislature.mi.gov/\(S\(st53bm550h3vofe24dzs4e55\)\)/mileg.aspx?page=getobject&objectname=mcl-339-2005](http://www.legislature.mi.gov/(S(st53bm550h3vofe24dzs4e55))/mileg.aspx?page=getobject&objectname=mcl-339-2005)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with bachelors degree in surveying acceptable to the board FS exam	0

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with degree in professional surveying or a related degree with professional surveying courses acceptable to the board of professional surveyors (see Michigan Administrative Code R 339.17201 for Acceptability of Baccalaureate Degrees) PLS exam	8 years (up to 5 years may be education)

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A person who holds a current, valid certificate of licensure or registration as a land surveyor or professional surveyor issued by a board of another state or jurisdiction, or who holds a current certificate of qualification issued by a national council acceptable to the board, shall be eligible for licensure by reciprocity subject to the act and these rules.

An applicant shall have taken and passed not less than 18 hours of examination acceptable to the board as established by R 339.17203. An applicant who is deficient shall take examinations as directed by the board. Upon successful completion of the examinations, an applicant may be offered Michigan licensure by examination if the applicant satisfies all other requirements of the act.

**MINNISOTA**

<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=326.10>

<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/?id=1800.3505>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with a four-year land surveying curriculum that meets the statutory requirements in place at the time of graduation FS exam	0
Graduate with bachelor's curriculum that meets the statutory requirements in place at the time of graduation, under a curriculum that is approved by the board with a minimum of 22 semester credits or 32 quarter credits in land surveying. FS exam	0

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with a four-year land surveying curriculum that meets the statutory requirements in place at the time of graduation PLS exam	5600 hours
Graduate with bachelor's curriculum that meets the statutory requirements in place at the time of graduation, under a curriculum that is approved by the board with a minimum of 22 semester credits or 32 quarter credits in land surveying. PLS exam	9920 hours

**COMITY**

**PLS:** To any person who holds an unexpired certificate of registration or license issued by proper authority in the District of Columbia, any state or territory of the United States, or any foreign country, in which the requirements for registration or licensure land surveyors, at the time of registration or licensure in the other jurisdiction, were equal, in the opinion of the board, to those fixed by the board and by the laws of this state, and in which similar privileges are extended to the holders of certificates of registration or licensure issued by this state.

**MISSISSIPPI**

<http://michie.com/mississippi/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=main-h.htm&cp=>

**LSIT**

<b>EDUCATION</b> <b>As of July 01, 2016</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduate with bachelor's degree in geomatics, surveying or surveying technology approved by the board consisting of a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) semester hours, or the equivalent, in surveying curriculum subjects. FS exam	0
Graduate with bachelor's degree in a related science curriculum defined by board rule consisting of sixty-two (62) semester hours in surveying curriculum subjects as defined by board rule. FS exam	0
Graduate with bachelor's degree in a related science curriculum defined by board rule. FS exam	0
Graduate with associate degree, or its equivalent, in a curriculum approved by the board consisting of sixty-two (62) semester hours in surveying curriculum subjects as defined by board rule. FS exam	0
Graduate with high school diploma, or its equivalent FS exam	8 years

**PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b> <b>As of July 01, 2016</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduate with bachelor's degree in geomatics, surveying or surveying technology approved by the board consisting of a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) semester hours, or the equivalent, in surveying curriculum subjects. PLS exam	4 years
Graduate with bachelor's degree in a related science curriculum defined by board rule, consisting of sixty-two (62) semester hours in surveying curriculum subjects as defined by board rule. PLS exam	5 years
Graduate with bachelor's degree in a related science curriculum defined by board rule. PLS exam	6 years
Graduate with associate degree, or its equivalent, in a curriculum approved by the board consisting of sixty-two (62) semester hours in surveying curriculum subjects as defined by board rule PLS exam	7 years
Graduate with high school diploma, or its equivalent PLS exam	12 years

**MISSISSIPPI (continued)**

**COMITY:**

Licensure as a Professional Surveyor by comity will be granted only to applicants who are registered by fourteen (14) hours of NCEES examinations, or its equivalency as determined by the Board. The Mississippi Section examination (2 hours) will be required of all applicants for licensure by comity." (Comity PS applicants must meet the same requirements as the requirements for initial licensure.)

**MISSOURI**

<http://www.moga.mo.gov/statutes/C300-399/3270000312.HTM>

<http://www.moga.mo.gov/statutes/C300-399/3270000391.HTM>

<http://www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/20csr/20c2030-4.pdf>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
<b>#1</b> Graduate with baccalaureate degree in an approved curriculum as defined by board regulation which shall include at least twelve semester hours of approved surveying course work as defined by board regulation of which at least two semester hours shall be in the legal aspects of boundary surveying. FS exam	0
<b>#2</b> Passed at least sixty hours of college credit which shall include credit for at least twenty semester hours of approved surveying course work as defined by board regulation of which at least two semester hours shall be in legal aspects of boundary surveying. FS exam	1 year
<b>#3</b> Passed at least twelve semester hours of approved surveying course work as defined by board regulation of which at least two semester hours shall be in legal aspects of land surveying. FS exam	2 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Enrolled as a Land Surveyor-in-Training prior to January 01, 2006 (LSIT #1 or #2 as described above) PLS exam	2 years
Enrolled as a Land Surveyor-in-Training prior to January 01, 2006 (LSIT #3 as described above) (The required PLS experience of 1 year is above and beyond the required LSIT experience of 2 years) PLS exam	1 years
Enrolled as a Land Surveyor-in-Training after January 01, 2006 (LSIT #1, #2 or #3 as described above) (The required PLS experience of 4 years is above and beyond any experience that may have been required for the LSIT) PLS exam	4 years
No education (Missouri Revised Statutes 327-391) FS exam and PLS exam	20 years

**COMITY****PLS: 20 CSR 2030-4.080 Evaluation—Comity****Applications—Land Surveyors**

(1) Any person applying for licensure as a professional land surveyor under section 327.381, RSMo, who was licensed on or after October 1992 in another state, territory or possession of the United States or in another country without being required to pass the National Council of Examiners in Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) examinations, that is, the Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination and the Principles and Practice of Land Surveying Examination; will be required to pass the NCEES Fundamentals

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of Land Surveying Examination, except that if such person has been actively engaged in the practice of land surveying for a period of at least fifteen (15) years prior to the filing of his/her application for comity and has taken at least an eight (8) hour examination in the Fundamentals of Land Surveying, the requirement for taking the NCEES Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination will be waived.

(2) Any person applying for licensure as a professional land surveyor under section 327.381, RSMo, who was licensed prior to October 1992 in another state, territory or possession of the United States or in another country without being required to pass the NCEES Fundamentals of Land Surveying examination, will be required to pass the NCEES Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination; except that if such person has been actively engaged in the practice of land surveying for a period of at least fifteen (15) years prior to the filing of his/her application for comity and has taken at least an eight (8) hour examination in the Fundamentals of Land Surveying, which is equivalent to that of the NCEES, the requirement for taking the NCEES Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination will be waived.

(3) Any person applying for licensure as a professional land surveyor under section 327.381, RSMo, who was licensed prior to October 1992 in another state, territory or possession of the United States or in another country without being required to pass the NCEES Principles and Practice of Land Surveying Examination, will be required to pass the NCEES Principles and Practice of Land Surveying Examination; except that if such person has been actively engaged in the practice of land surveying for a period of at least fifteen (15) years prior to the filing of his/her application for comity and has taken an examination in the Principles and Practice of Land Surveying, which is equivalent to that of the NCEES, the requirement for taking the NCEES Principles and Practice of Land Surveying Examination will be waived.

(4) Any person applying for licensure as a professional land surveyor under section 327.381, RSMo, shall be required to take and pass the written Missouri Specific Examination covering Missouri surveying practice and Missouri statutes and rules relating to the practice of land surveying

**MONTANA**

<http://data.opi.mt.gov/bills/mca/37/67/37-67-309.htm>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with bachelor of science degree in a board-approved curriculum that includes a minimum of 27 semester or 40 quarter credit hours in surveying techniques, principles, and practices. FS exam	0
At least 2 years of formal education in an approved curriculum that includes a minimum of 27 semester or 40 quarter credit hours in surveying techniques, principles, and practices, above high school level, with at least 60 semester or 90 quarter credit hours or equivalent semester hours passed, or the equivalent approved by the board FS exam	0
Graduated with bachelor of science degree in a board-approved curriculum FS exam	2 years
No education FS exam	6 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with bachelor of science degree in a board-approved curriculum that includes a minimum of 40 quarter credit hours in surveying techniques, principles, and practices. PLS exam	4 years
2 years of formal education in a board-approved curriculum above high school level, with at least 90 quarter credit hours that include a minimum of 40 quarter credit hours in surveying techniques, principles, and practices, or equivalent semester hours passed, or the equivalent approved by the board. PLS exam	6 years
Graduate with bachelor of science degree in a board-approved curriculum PLS exam	6 years
No education (Required experience is 4 years above and beyond the 6 years required to become an LSIT) FS and PLS exam	10 years

**COMITY**

A person holding a certificate of registration to engage in the practice of land surveying issued by a proper authority of a state, territory, or possession of the United States or the District of Columbia, based on requirements that do not conflict with the provisions of this chapter and that were of a standard not lower than that specified in the applicable registration act in effect in this state at the time the certificate was issued, will be given comity consideration. However, the person may be asked to meet the conditions for taking examinations and to take them as the board considers necessary to determine the person's qualifications. In any event, the person shall pass a written examination

**MONTANA (continued)**

that includes questions on laws, procedures, and practices pertaining to the practice of land surveying in this state.

A board may issue a license to practice without examination to a person licensed in another state if the board determines that: (a) the other state's license standards at the time of application to this state are substantially equivalent to or greater than the standards in this state; and (b) there is no reason to deny the license under the laws of this state governing the profession or occupation. (2) The license may not be issued until the board receives verification from the state or states in which the person is licensed that the person is currently licensed and is not subject to pending charges or final disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct or impairment. (3) This section does not prevent a board from entering into a reciprocity agreement with the licensing authority of another state or jurisdiction. The agreement may not permit out-ofstate licensees to obtain a license by reciprocity within this state if the license applicant has not met standards that are substantially equivalent to or greater than the standards required in this state as determined by the board on a case-by-case basis.

**NEBRASKA**

<http://nebraskalegislature.gov/laws/laws-index/chap81-full.html>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with an approved surveying or engineering curriculum of four years or more. FS exam	0 years
No education FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with a course of not less than four years in surveying, engineering, or other approved curriculum, with proportionate credit for lesser time, from a school or college approved by the examining board as of satisfactory standing PLS exam	2 years
No education (Experience required for PLS is 2 years above and beyond the 4 years required for LSIT) PLS exam	6 years

**COMITY**

A nonresident of this state who is registered as a land surveyor in another state may be registered under sections 81-8,108 to 81-8,127 by filing an application with the secretary of the examining board and making payment to the examining board of a fee in the sum of not less than twenty-five dollars and not more than one hundred fifty dollars as set forth in the rules or bylaws. He or she shall be required to take such examinations as the examining board deems necessary to determine his or her qualifications, but in any event he or she shall be required to pass a written examination of not less than four hours duration which shall include questions on laws, procedures, and practices pertaining to the practice of land surveying in this state.

**NEVADA**

<http://www.leg.state.nv.us/NRS/NRS-625.html#NRS625Sec270>

<http://www.leg.state.nv.us/NRS/NRS-625.html#NRS625Sec386>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of or in the final year of a land-surveying or engineering curriculum of 4 years or more that has been approved by the Board. FS exam	0
No education FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION EFFECTIVE JULY 01, 2010	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a land-surveying curriculum of 4 years or more that is approved by the Board PLS exam	4 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** 1. The Board may issue a license to practice land surveying to an applicant, upon presentation of evidence that the applicant is licensed to practice land surveying, respectively, and in good standing in a state, territory, possession of the United States or country that maintains standards of land-surveying licensure, equivalent to those in this state, if the applicant, in the judgment of the Board, has the necessary qualifications pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

2. The Board may require an applicant for licensure as a professional land surveyor pursuant to subsection 1 to pass a written or oral examination conducted by not less than three professional land surveyors.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**

<http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/XXX/310-A/310-A-63.htm>

<http://www.nh.gov/jtboard/lrule.htm#lan300>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
No education FS exam	0

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
No education [A year of experience (up to 4 years) may be substituted by a year during which the applicant was enrolled in an institution of higher learning pursuing a curriculum of surveying, engineering, forestry, or forestry technician, so long as the applicant completed at least one course in land surveying during the said enrollment.] PLS exam	6 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The board may, upon application therefore and payment of the required fee, issue a license as a licensed land surveyor to any person of any state, territory or possession of the United States or of any country provided that the applicant is registered or licensed in another state, territory or country whose requirements are equal to, or greater than, the requirements of this state.

**NEW JERSEY**

[http://lis.njleg.state.nj.us/cgi-bin/om\\_isapi.dll?clientID=358684&Depth=2&depth=2&expandheadings=on&headingswithhits=on&hitsperheading=on&infobase=statutes.nfo&record={12CCB}&softpage=Doc\\_Frame\\_PG42](http://lis.njleg.state.nj.us/cgi-bin/om_isapi.dll?clientID=358684&Depth=2&depth=2&expandheadings=on&headingswithhits=on&hitsperheading=on&infobase=statutes.nfo&record={12CCB}&softpage=Doc_Frame_PG42)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a board approved curriculum in surveying of four years or more. FS exam	0

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a board approved curriculum in surveying of four years or more. PLS exam	3 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A certificate of registration, issued by any state or territory or possession of the United States, or of any country, may, in the discretion of the board, be accepted as minimum evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant is qualified for registration as a land surveyor; provided that the minimum requirements for examination and license by the issuing agency in effect at the time of application to the issuing agency, which the applicant satisfied in order to qualify for examination by that issuing agency, are at least comparable to those same minimum requirements of the board which were in effect in this State at that time; and provided that the issuing agency attests to the licensing criteria at the time of the applicant's original licensure in that jurisdiction, and the applicant receives a passing grade on the New Jersey specific portion of the current land surveying examination and any portions of a nationally administered two-day examination required by the board not already passed by the applicant.

**NEW MEXICO**

<http://www.conwaygreene.com/nmsu/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=main-h.htm&2.0>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Obtained at least a senior status in a board-approved four-year curriculum in surveying. FS exam	0
Graduate of a board-approved related science curriculum of at least four years. FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate from a four year board-approved surveying curriculum. PLS exam	4 years
Graduate of a board-approved related science curriculum of at least four years (eight years of board-approved surveying experience, including the four years of experience for surveying intern certification) PLS exam	8 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** For the purpose of New Mexico licensees by endorsement from other states, or possessions, the professional engineering committee will only recognize licensure granted by those authorities when the professional engineering committee has determined that the applicant possesses qualifications which "do not conflict with the provisions of the Engineering and Surveying Practice Act and are of standard not lower than that specified in Sections 61-23-14 and 61-23-14.1, NMSA 1978". Conditions establishing eligibility for licensure by endorsement shall have been met at the time of initial licensure. Additionally, the applicant must have a current license in another state, the District of Columbia, a territory or a possession of the United States, or in a foreign country.

**NEW YORK**

[http://public.leginfo.state.ny.us/LAWSSEAF.cgi?QUERYTYPE=LAWS+&QUERYDATA=\\$\\$EDN7206-A\\$\\$@TXEDN07206-A+&LIST=SEA27+&BROWSER=EXPLORER+&TOKEN=34128698+&TARGET=VIEW](http://public.leginfo.state.ny.us/LAWSSEAF.cgi?QUERYTYPE=LAWS+&QUERYDATA=$$EDN7206-A$$@TXEDN07206-A+&LIST=SEA27+&BROWSER=EXPLORER+&TOKEN=34128698+&TARGET=VIEW)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with bachelor's or higher degree based on a program in surveying, surveying engineering, surveying engineering technology, or a similar surveying-related title accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET). FS exam	0
No education FS exam	8 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with bachelor's or higher degree based on a program in surveying, surveying engineering, surveying engineering technology, or a similar surveying-related title accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET). PLS exam	4 years
Graduate with associate's degree in surveying, surveying engineering, surveying engineering technology, or a similar surveying-related title accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) PLS exam	6 years
No education PLS exam	8 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The department may license an applicant who meets all requirements for licensure in New York State, except examination and has been issued a license or certificate to practice professional engineering or land surveying issued to him upon written examination by a legally constituted board of examiners in any other state or political subdivision of the United States, provided that the examination for such license or certificate was the equivalent of the examination required in this State at the time it was issued.

**NORTH CAROLINA**

[http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/BySection/Chapter\\_89C/GS\\_89C-13.html](http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/BySection/Chapter_89C/GS_89C-13.html)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a surveying curriculum or other equivalent curriculum in surveying approved by the Board FS exam	0
Rightful possession of an associate degree in surveying technology approved by the Board FS exam	4 years
Graduation from high school or the completion of a high school equivalency certificate FS exam	10 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Rightful possession of a bachelor of science degree in surveying or other equivalent curricula, all approved by the Board FS exam and PLS exam	2 years
Rightful possession of an associate degree in surveying technology approved by the Board FS exam and PLS exam	4 years(before January 1, 2013) 8 years (after January 1, 2013)
Graduation from a high school or the completion of a high school equivalency certificate FS exam and PLS exam	7 years(before January 1, 2013) 16 years (after January 1, 2013)

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A person holding a certificate of licensure to engage in the practice of land surveying issued on comparable qualifications from a state, territory, or possession of the United States will be given comity considerations. However, the applicant may be asked to take any examinations as the Board requires to determine the applicant's qualifications, but in any event, the applicant shall be required to pass an examination which shall include questions on laws, procedures, and practices pertaining to the practice of land surveying in North Carolina.

**NORTH DAKOTA**

<http://www.legis.nd.gov/cencode/t43c191.pdf>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
No education (Formal education in an accredited engineering or land surveying curriculum may constitute a part of experience.) FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with baccalaureate degree in engineering or surveying from an institution that offers accredited programs approved by the board. PLS exam	4 years
No education PLS exam	8 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** Holds a certificate of registration to engage in the practice of land surveying issued on the basis of a minimum sixteen-hour written examination by proper authority of a state, territory, possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign country, based on requirements and qualifications as shown by the individual's application which, in the opinion of the board, are equal to or higher than the requirements of this chapter.

**OHIO**

<http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/4733>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate from an approved curriculum in surveying of four years or more FS exam	4 years
Graduate from an accredited curriculum in civil engineering of four years or more in a recognized school or college; Successful completion of at least twenty-four quarter hours, or equivalent semester or trimester hours, of approved surveying courses in surveying and mapping arts and sciences, except that courses successfully completed as prior studies may be credited by the board toward this requirement, of which at least eight quarter hours, or equivalent semester or trimester hours, are in surveying of land boundaries FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate from an approved curriculum in surveying of four years or more FS exam and PLS exam	4 years
Graduate from an accredited curriculum in civil engineering of four years or more in a recognized school or college; Successful completion of at least twenty-four quarter hours, or equivalent semester or trimester hours, of approved surveying courses in surveying and mapping arts and sciences, except that courses successfully completed as prior studies may be credited by the board toward this requirement, of which at least eight quarter hours, or equivalent semester or trimester hours, are in surveying of land boundaries FS exam and PLS exam	4 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A person registered or licensed to engage in the practice surveying by a proper authority of a state, territory, or possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia, who, in the opinion of the state board of registration for professional engineers and surveyors, meets the requirements of this chapter, based on verified evidence, may, upon application and payment of the established fee, be registered. Any person who seeks registration as a professional surveyor under this section must pass a two-hour professional practice examination, devoted to the laws and practices of this state prior to receiving such registration.

**OKLAHOMA**

<http://www.ok.gov/pels/documents/TITLE%20245%20Chapter%2015%20Website%206-10.pdf>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate from a surveying program of two (2) years or more accredited by an accrediting body approved by the Board FS exam	0
Graduate from a surveying or related science program of four (4) years or more other than programs approved by the Board as being of satisfactory standing FS exam	0

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a surveying program of four (4) years or more approved by the Board FS exam and PLS exam	4 years
Graduate of a surveying program of two (2) years or more approved by the Board FS exam and PLS exam	6 years
Graduate of other academic programs of two (2) years or more, approved by the Board, which shall include the Board-approved Core Curriculum in surveying FS exam and PLS exam	6 years
Completion of sixty (60) credit hours, approved by the Board, which shall include the Board-approved Core Curriculum in surveying. FS exam and PLS exam	6 years
No education (until July 01, 2013) FS exam and PLS exam	9 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** (a) Applicant for comity or endorsement license shall provide proof that the applicant is a person holding a Land Surveyor license, in good standing, issued by a proper authority.

(b) Applicant must have been licensed, based on requirements that do not conflict with the provisions of the Statutes and Rules of the Board and were of a standard not lower than that specified in the applicable Statute in effect in Oklahoma at the time such certificate was issued.

(c) Applicant shall submit a minimum of five (5) references, three (3) of whom shall be Land Surveyors having personal knowledge of the applicant's surveying experience, none of whom may be current members of the Board. Comity applicants who obtained their original license more than ten years prior must list all engineering and/or surveying experience obtained since their original license, but shall only be required to verify the most recent ten years of experience.

(d) An applicant with less than the standards outlined in subsection (b) of this section, may be required to obtain additional experience or be admitted to a fundamentals examination, or be admitted to a principles and practice examination, or an examination on Oklahoma land surveying and related laws, or an examination on Oklahoma law, or to meet such experience and examination requirements as the Board may determine to establish the applicant's qualifications.

(e) Upon satisfactorily complying with minimum requirements of this section, the applicant shall be licensed in the State of Oklahoma.

**OREGON**

[http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/rules/OARS\\_800/OAR\\_820/820\\_010.html](http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/rules/OARS_800/OAR_820/820_010.html)

**LSIT**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
<b>#1</b> Graduate from an EAC, ASAC, or TAC of ABET accredited four-year baccalaureate land surveying program FS exam	0
<b>#2</b> Graduate from an EAC of ABET, TAC of ABET, or ACCE accredited four-year baccalaureate engineering program with 11 semester/16 quarter hours of surveying instruction and surveying law FS exam	0
<b>#3</b> Graduate of graduate degree program in land surveying at a college or university that has an ABET accredited undergraduate degree program in the same field, combined with completion of 11 semester/16 quarter hours of surveying instruction FS exam	0
<b>#4</b> Graduate from an ASAC of ABET accredited two-year Surveying Technology program, a TAC of ABET accredited two-year Surveying Technology program, or a two-year Association of Applied Science program in Surveying Technology or Engineering Technology that includes the following: (A) A total of at least 64 semester/96 quarter hours; (B) At least 32 semester/48 quarter hours in technical courses, of which a minimum of 11 semester/16 quarter hours shall be in surveying instruction; (C) At least 16 semester/24 quarter hours in subjects such as math, science, basic electricity, hydraulics, road design, construction management and estimating engineering economics with college level algebra, trigonometry and statistics; (D) At least 9 semester/13 quarter hours in social science, humanities and communications FS exam	2 years
<b>#5</b> No education FS exam	8 years

**PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
LSIT #1, #2, #3, or #5 (Experience of 4 years is above and beyond any experience required for LSIT) PLS exam	4 years
LSIT #4 (Experience of 6 years is above and beyond the 2 years of experience required for LSIT#4) PLS exam	6 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The board may issue a certificate of registration to practice land surveying to an applicant without examination if the applicant:

- (a) Pays the required fee;
- (b) Meets the other necessary qualifications for registration under ORS 672.002 to 672.325;

**OREGON (continued)**

(c) Holds a certificate of registration to engage in the practice of land surveying, issued by the proper authority of a state, territory or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia or a foreign country;

(d) Was issued the certificate of registration by the other authority under requirements for certification that were substantially equivalent to the requirements provided in this state at the time of issue as determined by the board; and

(e) Satisfactorily passes an examination covering questions on laws, procedures and practices pertaining to practice in this state.

Applicants who are not registered in another jurisdiction but who meet all the requirements for registration in Oregon may be considered for registration if the application is submitted within two years following passing the practical examination as a professional land surveyor in another jurisdiction or by NCEES. This includes, for example, applicants who have passed the FLS and PLS examinations in another jurisdiction or by NCEES, but who are not registered in a jurisdiction. This rule does not apply to applicants who are not currently registered due to expired, delinquent, or otherwise invalid certificates of registration.

**PENNSYLVANIA**

<http://www.pacode.com/secure/data/049/chapter37/s37.47.html>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of an approved civil engineering curriculum of at least 4 years, including a minimum of 10 credit hours instruction in surveying. FS exam	0
Graduate of an associate degree program in an approved surveying technology curriculum. FS exam	0
No education FS exam	6 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Certified as an LSIT as described above. (Experience for PLS is above and beyond any experience required for LSIT) PLS exam	4 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A professional land surveyor who holds a valid license to practice land surveying from a licensing board of the state or territory of the person's residence may practice land surveying in this Commonwealth for a period not to exceed 30 days in the aggregate in a calendar year if the person neither resides nor has a place of business in this Commonwealth and the standards for licensing engineers, land surveyors and geologists in the other state or territory are at least equal to the standards of the Commonwealth.

Note that it appears that there may be comity. See Form "Professional Land Surveyor Reciprocity Application" at

[http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/state\\_registration\\_board\\_for\\_professional\\_engineers,\\_land\\_surveyors\\_and\\_geologists/12510/licensure\\_information/572026](http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/state_registration_board_for_professional_engineers,_land_surveyors_and_geologists/12510/licensure_information/572026)

**RHODE ISLAND**

<http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/Statutes/TITLE5/5-8.1/5-8.1-9.HTM>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
#1 Graduate of a four (4) year survey degree program FS exam	0
#2 Graduate of a four (4) year degree program who has also fulfilled the four (4) year core curriculum specified by the board FS exam	0
#3 Graduate of a two (2) year survey degree program FS exam	0
#4 Graduate of a two (2) year degree program who has also fulfilled the two (2) year core curriculum specified by the board FS exam	0
#5 No education FS exam	6 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Certified as LSIT #1 PLS exam	4 years
Certified as LSIT #2 PLS exam	5 years
Certified as LSIT #3 PLS exam	6 years
Certified as LSIT #4 PLS exam	7 years
Certified as LSIT #5 [Being certified as LSIT #5 does not exempt the applicant from the required degree or the experience after obtaining the surveyor-in-training certificate (LSIT)] PLS exam	Depends on which required degree was used

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A person holding a current certificate of registration to engage in the practice of land surveying issued to him or her by a proper authority of a state, territory, or possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia must have, at the time they were licensed, met the existing Rhode Island requirements for licensure. All applicants applying under this section must have passed the written examinations in the fundamentals of land surveying and the principles and practice of land surveying. If, based upon verified evidence and the opinion of the board, the applicant meets all appropriate requirements of this section, the applicant will be allowed to take the two (2) hour written Rhode Island legal portion. Upon passing this examination the applicant shall be granted a certificate of registration to practice land surveying in this state, provided the applicant is qualified.

**SOUTH CAROLINA**

<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/t40c022.htm>

"**Practice of TIER A surveying**" means providing professional services including, but not limited to, consultation investigation, testimony evaluation, expert technical testimony, planning, mapping, assembling, and interpreting reliable scientific measurements and information relative to the location, size, shape, or physical features of the earth, the space above the earth, or part of the earth, and utilization and development of these facts and interpretation into an orderly survey map, site plan, report, description, or project. **The practice of TIER A surveying consists of three separate disciplines: land surveying, photogrammetry, and geographic information systems.** A surveyor may be licensed in one or more of the disciplines and practice is restricted to only the discipline or disciplines for which the land surveyor is licensed.

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate from a school or college of four or more years with a board-approved degree, an ABET commission accredited curriculum in a related field, or a substantially equivalent program, including not less than twelve semester hours or the equivalent in quarter hours of discipline-specific courses satisfactory to the board in each of the 3 disciplines described above for which the applicant is requesting licensure. FS exam	1 year

**PLS TIER A**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate from a school or college of four or more years with a board-approved degree, an ABET commission accredited curriculum in a related field, or a substantially equivalent program, including not less than twelve semester hours or the equivalent in quarter hours of discipline-specific courses satisfactory to the board in each of the 3 disciplines described above for which the applicant is requesting licensure. FE exam and PLS exam	4 years

"**Practice of TIER B land surveying**" includes all rights and privileges of the TIER A surveying discipline described above and in addition to these rights and privileges, TIER B land surveying includes, for subdivisions, preparing and furnishing subdivision plans for sedimentation and erosion control and storm drainage systems.

**PLS TIER B**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
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Graduate from a school or college of four or more years with a board-approved degree, including in the curriculum not less than fifteen semester hours or the equivalent in quarter hours of surveying, mapping, hydraulics, and hydrology courses satisfactory to the board, or a bachelor of engineering technology degree in an ABET commission accredited curriculum of surveying or engineering technology, including in the curriculum not less than twelve semester hours or the equivalent in quarter hours of surveying, mapping, hydraulics, and hydrology courses satisfactory to the board FE exam and PLS exam	4 years
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**SOUTH CAROLINA (continued)**

**COMITY**

**PLS:** (1) An application will be considered for registration by comity from an applicant who is appropriately registered in the state in which the applicant resides or is employed unless there are extenuating circumstances satisfactory to the Board.

(2) An application will be accepted for registration by comity if the applicant meets the requirements for education, experience and examination as prescribed by the statutes, and the rules and regulations of this Board in effect at the time of filing said application.

(3) An applicant registered in another state may be required to take such examinations as the Board deems necessary to establish that his qualifications meet the requirements of the statutes, rules and regulations of the Board. The applicant shall in all cases be required to pass a written examination including questions of laws, procedures and practices pertaining to the practice of land surveying in this State.

(4) An application will be accepted for registration by comity as a TIER B Land Surveyor after the applicant first obtains registration as a TIER A Land surveyor. An applicant in this category will be required to pass the written examination for a TIER B Land Surveyor in addition to meeting the education and experience requirements as established by the statutes and the rules and regulations of the Board.

**SOUTH DAKOTA**

[http://www.state.sd.us/dol/boards/engineer/PDF%20files/Education\\_Experience\\_Requirements.pdf](http://www.state.sd.us/dol/boards/engineer/PDF%20files/Education_Experience_Requirements.pdf)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate ABET accredited engineering or surveying program FS exam	0
Graduate of 2 year vocational school in engineering or surveying FS exam	2 years
No education FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of ABET BS surveying or engineering degree PLS exam	4 years
Graduate of ABET BS technical surveying or engineering degree PLS exam	4 years
Graduate of 2 year vocational program of surveying or engineering PLS exam	7 years
No education PLS exam	11 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The board may give comity consideration to any person who holds a current and valid license issued to that person for active practice by the proper authority in any state or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign country, based on requirements that do not conflict with the provisions of this chapter and were of a standard not lower than that specified in the applicable licensure act in effect in this state at the time such license was issued. An applicant may be required to take examinations as the board deems necessary to determine the applicant's competency. An applicant who did not take an NCEES examination but has been duly licensed in another state(s) and has been actively engaged in the pursuit of engineering or surveying for a period of fifteen (15) years or more immediately prior to the filing of an application may be licensed if all other requirements are met.

**TENNESSEE**

<http://www.michie.com/tennessee/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=main-h.htm&cp=tncode>

**LSIT**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduate with baccalaureate degree from a surveying or surveying technology curriculum of four (4) or more years, approved by the board. FS exam	0
Graduate with baccalaureate degree from a science, engineering or technology curriculum of four (4) or more years related to the practice of land surveying, approved by the board, plus an additional twenty-four (24) semester hours of board-approved coursework in the surveying sciences FS exam	0
Graduate with baccalaureate degree from a non-surveying-related curriculum of four (4) or more years, approved by the board, plus an additional thirty-six (36) semester hours of board-approved coursework in the surveying sciences FS exam	0

**PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduate with baccalaureate degree from a surveying or surveying technology curriculum of four (4) or more years, approved by the board FS exam and PLS exam	2 years
Graduate with baccalaureate degree from a science, engineering or technology curriculum of four (4) or more years related to the practice of land surveying, approved by the board, plus an additional twenty-four (24) semester hours of board-approved coursework in the surveying sciences FE exam and PLS exam	2 years
Graduate with baccalaureate degree from a non-surveying-related curriculum of four (4) or more years, approved by the board, plus an additional thirty-six (36) semester hours of board-approved coursework in the surveying sciences FS exam and PLS exam	2 years
No education	10 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** Any applicant may, in the absence of disqualifying evidence, be deemed by the board to be fully qualified to practice land surveying if the applicant holds a like unexpired certificate of registration issued to the applicant after examination by proper authority in the District of Columbia or in any state or territory in the United States in which the examination and requirements for the registration of land surveyors are of a standard satisfactory to the board.

**TEXAS**

[http://www.txls.state.tx.us/04\\_act\\_rules/2009\\_act.pdf](http://www.txls.state.tx.us/04_act_rules/2009_act.pdf)

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with bachelor of science degree in surveying from an accredited institution of higher education; FS exam	0
Graduate with bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education that included at least 32 semester hours in a combination of courses acceptable to the board in: civil engineering; land surveying; mathematics; photogrammetry; forestry; land law; or the physical sciences. FS exam	1 years
Graduate with associate degree in surveying from an accredited institution of higher education FS exam	2 years
Completed a course of instruction consisting of 32 semester hours in land surveying or the equivalent number of semester hours in board-approved courses related to surveying FS exam	2 years
Graduated from an accredited high school and provided evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant is self-educated in professional surveying. FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Hold a certificate as a surveyor-in-training and: if the application is filed after January 1, 2003, have earned a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education that included at least 32 semester hours in a combination of courses acceptable to the board in: (A)civil engineering; (B)land surveying; (C)mathematics; (D)photogrammetry; (E)Forestry; (F)land law; or (G)the physical sciences. (Experience required for PLS is above and beyond the experience required for LSIT) PLS exam	2 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** (a)The board may waive any registration requirement for an applicant who holds a license from another state having registration or licensing requirements substantially equivalent to the registration requirements of this state.

(b)The board may issue a certificate of registration as a registered professional land surveyor to an applicant under this section who meets all waived and unwaived registration requirements and who:

(1)applies to the board for a certificate of registration;

- (2)pays a fee set by the board; and
- (3)passes an examination on Texas surveying.

#### **UTAH**

<http://www.dopl.utah.gov/laws/58-22.pdf>

#### **LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
There does not appear to be an LSIT procedure in Utah.	

#### **PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduated and received an associates, bachelors, or masters degree from a land surveying program. FS and PLS exam	4 years
Graduated from an equivalent land surveying program. (An " equivalent land surveying program" for licensure as a professional land surveyor is defined as an earned bachelors or higher education degree and completion of a minimum of 30 semester hours or 42 quarter hours of course work in land surveying as specified by the board. The degree and courses shall be completed in an education institution accredited by one of the following: (i) Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools; (ii) New England Association of Colleges and Schools; (iii) North Central Association of Colleges and Schools; (iv) Northwest Commission on College and Universities; (v) Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; or (vi) Western Association of Schools and Colleges) FS and PLS exam	4 years

#### **COMITY**

**PLS:** Submit satisfactory evidence of: (i) current licensure in good standing in a jurisdiction recognized by rule by the division in collaboration with the board; (ii) having successfully passed an examination established by rule by the division in collaboration with the board; and (iii) full-time employment as a professional land surveyor as a principal for at least five of the last seven years immediately preceding the date of the application; and meet with the board or representative of the division upon request for the purpose of evaluating the applicant's qualifications for licensure.

**VERMONT**

<http://www.leg.state.vt.us/statutes/fullchapter.cfm?Title=26&Chapter=045>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
No formal LSIT procedure. However, experience required for PLS is monitored through an Intern process, in which the PLS applicant must file notice with the Board within six months of commencing survey work, within 30 days of making any change in the person supervising the survey work, and within 30 days of completing the survey experience requirements for licensure.	

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of an ABET-approved surveying curriculum of at least four years FS and PLS exam	2 years
Earned 30 semester or 45 quarter hours of college credit in land surveying FS and PLS exam	3 years
No education FS and PLS exam	4 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** A person holding a certificate of registration or a license to engage in the practice of land surveying issued on the basis of an examination, satisfactory to the board, by proper authority of a state, territory or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or another country, based on requirements and qualifications shown by the application to be equal to or greater than the requirements of this chapter, in the opinion of the board, may be examined relative to land surveying matters peculiar to Vermont and granted a license at the direction of the board. The jurisdiction must have issued the license on the basis of an examination, and the Board must have determined that the jurisdiction's requirements are at least as exacting as Vermont's.

**VIRGINIA**<http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?000+reg+18VAC10-20-300><http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?000+reg+18VAC10-20-310>**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate from a surveying or surveying technology curriculum of four years or more approved by the board FS exam	0
Graduate from a curriculum related to surveying of four years or more approved by the board FS exam	1 year
Graduated from a four-year bachelor's degree in a field unrelated to surveying approved by the board FS exam	3 years
Graduate from a surveying curriculum of two years or more approved by the board FS exam	4 years
Completed a survey apprenticeship program approved by the board with a minimum of 480 hours of surveying-related classroom instruction	6 years
Graduated from high school and who has evidence of successful completion of courses in algebra, geometry and trigonometry	8 years

**PLS (land surveyor)**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Certified as an LSIT PLS exam	4 years

**PLS (photogrammetric surveying)**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Certified as an LSIT Board-approved surveyor photogrammetrist examination (when available) and the Virginia state specific examination	4 years
Not an LSIT, but having eight years of board-approved education and progressive experience in photogrammetry or similar remote sensing technology Board-approved surveyor photogrammetrist examination (when available) and the Virginia state specific examination	8 years

## **VIRGINIA (continued)**

### **COMITY**

**PLS:** A person in good standing and holding a valid license to engage in the practice of land surveying in another state, the District of Columbia, or any territory or possession of the United States may be licensed, provided the applicant submits verifiable documentation to the board that the education, experience, and examination requirements by which the applicant was first licensed in the original jurisdiction were substantially equivalent to those existing in Virginia at the time of the applicant's original licensure. No person shall be so licensed, however, who has not passed an examination in another jurisdiction that was substantially equivalent to that approved by the board at the time of the applicant's original licensure. If the applicant does not meet the requirements for licensure in Virginia that were in effect at the time of original licensure, the applicant shall be required to meet the entry requirements current at the time the completed application for comity is received in the board's office.

All applicants shall be required to pass a written Virginia state-specific examination. The examination shall include questions on law, procedures and practices pertaining to land surveying in Virginia.

**WASHINGTON**

<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=196-16-007>

<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=196-16-010>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
No education required, however education is equivalent to experience as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Graduation with a baccalaureate degree in land surveying from an approved curriculum shall be equivalent to four years of required experience</li><li>• Graduation with an associate degree in land surveying from an approved curriculum shall be equivalent to two years of required experience.</li><li>• Each year completed of an approved curriculum without graduation shall be granted up to a year of required experience.</li></ul> FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
No education required, however education is equivalent to experience as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Graduation with a baccalaureate degree in land surveying from an approved curriculum shall be equivalent to four years of required experience</li><li>• Graduation with an associate degree in land surveying from an approved curriculum shall be equivalent to two years of required experience.</li><li>• Each year completed of an approved curriculum without graduation shall be granted up to a year of required experience.</li></ul> FS exam and PLS exam	8 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The board may issue a certificate without further examination as a land surveyor to any person who holds a certificate of qualification of registration issued to the applicant following examination by proper authority, of any state or territory or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or of any foreign country, provided: (1) That the applicant's qualifications meet the requirements of the chapter and the rules established by the board, and (2) that the applicant is in good standing with the licensing agency in said state, territory, possession, district, or foreign country.

**WEST VIRGINIA**

<http://www.wvbps.wv.gov/SiteCollectionDocuments/WV%20Code%20Article%2013A%20Land%20Surveyors.pdf>

**LSIT (surveyor intern)**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a four-year degree or a bachelor degree in surveying approved by the board, which degree must include a minimum of thirty hours of surveying or surveying-related courses FS exam	0
Graduate of a four-year degree or a bachelor degree, has completed a minimum of thirty hours of surveying or surveying-related courses . FS exam	0
Graduate of a two-year degree or an associate degree in surveying or a related field approved by the board, which degree must include a minimum of thirty hours of surveying or surveying-related courses . FS exam	0

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a four-year degree or a bachelor degree in surveying approved by the board, which degree must include a minimum of thirty hours of surveying or surveying-related courses FS exam and PLS exam	2 years
Graduate of a four-year degree or a bachelor degree, has completed a minimum of thirty hours of surveying or surveying-related courses FS exam and PLS exam	4 years
Graduate of a two-year degree or an associate degree in surveying or a related field approved by the board, which degree must include a minimum of thirty hours of surveying or surveying-related courses FS exam and PLS exam	4 years

## **WEST VIRGINIA (continued)**

### **COMITY**

**PLS:** The board may issue a license, endorsement or certificate to practice surveying or underground surveying in this state to an applicant of good moral character who holds a valid license, endorsement, certificate, registration or other authorization to practice surveying or underground surveying from another state if the applicant demonstrates that:

- (1) He or she holds a license, endorsement, certificate, registration or other authorization to practice surveying or underground surveying in another state which was granted after completion of educational requirements substantially equivalent to those required in this state;
- (2) He or she holds a license, endorsement, certificate, registration or other authorization to practice surveying or underground surveying in another state which was granted after completion of experience requirements substantially equivalent to those required in this state;
- (3) He or she holds a license, endorsement, certificate, registration or other authorization to practice surveying or underground surveying in another state which was granted after passing, in that or another state, examinations that are substantially equivalent to the examinations required in this state and has passed the West Virginia examination;
- (4) He or she is not currently being investigated by a disciplinary authority of another state, does not have charges pending against his or her license, endorsement, certificate, registration or other authorization to practice surveying or underground surveying and has never had a license, endorsement, certificate, registration or other authorization to practice surveying or underground surveying revoked;
- (5) He or she has not previously failed an examination for licensure, endorsement or certification in this state;
- (6) He or she has paid all the applicable fees; and
- (7) Has completed such other action as required by the board.

**WISCONSIN**

<http://www.wvbps.wv.gov/SiteCollectionDocuments/WV%20Code%20Article%2013A%20Land%20Surveyors.pdf>

<http://nxt.legis.state.wi.us/nxt/gateway.dll?f=templates&fn=default.htm&d=stats&id=443.06>

**LSIT**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduate of a bachelor's degree in a course of study in land surveying of not less than 4 years duration from a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting agency approved by the state where the college or university is located FS exam	0
Graduate of a bachelor's degree in civil engineering of not less than 4 years duration from a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting agency approved by the state where the college or university is located. The curriculum shall include no less than 16 of 24 semester credits in courses concentrating on the legal principles of land surveying and the technical aspects of land surveying and may include up to 8 credits in certain other courses relating to surveying, all as specified by the board. FS exam	0
Graduate of an associate's degree, having completed at least 60 semester credits in a civil engineering or land surveying curriculum including no less than 12 semester credits in land surveying. FS exam	0
No education FS exam	5 years

**PLS**

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXPERIENCE</b>
Graduate of a bachelor's degree in a course of study in land surveying of not less than 4 years duration from a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting agency approved by the state where the college or university is located FS exam and PLS exam	2 years
Graduate of a bachelor's degree in civil engineering of not less than 4 years duration from a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting agency approved by the state where the college or university is located. The curriculum shall include no less than 16 of 24 semester credits in courses concentrating on the legal principles of land surveying and the technical aspects of land surveying and may include up to 8 credits in certain other courses relating to surveying, all as specified by the board. FS exam and PLS exam	2 years
Graduate of an associate's degree, having completed at least 60 semester credits in a civil engineering or land surveying curriculum including no less than 12 semester credits in land surveying. FS exam and PLS exam	4 years
Evidence satisfactory to the land surveyor section that he or she has completed an apprenticeship training course in land surveying prescribed by the department of workforce development, and has engaged in a period of additional land surveying practice of satisfactory character that indicates that the applicant is competent to	8 years

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a bachelor's degree in a course of study in land surveying of not less than 4 years duration from a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting agency approved by the state where the college or university is located FS exam and PLS exam	2 years
practice land surveying and that, when added to the period of the apprenticeship, totals at least 8 years of land surveying practice. FS exam and PLS exam	
No education FS exam and PLS exam	10 years

**WISCONSIN (continued)**

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The section may grant a certificate of registration as a land surveyor to any person who has submitted to it an application, the required fees and one or more of the following: An unexpired certificate of registration as a land surveyor issued to the applicant by the proper authority in any state or territory or possession of the United States or in any other country whose requirements meet or exceed the requirement for registration in this subsection, if the applicant has passed an oral and written or written examination administered by the land surveyor section.

**WYOMING**

<http://legisweb.state.wy.us/statutes/statutes.aspx?file=titles/Title33/T33CH29.htm>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate with bachelor of science degree in a land surveying or engineering curriculum approved by the board which curriculum included at least thirty (30) semester credit hours in surveying, mapping and other courses approved by the board. FS exam	0
Graduate of associate degree in surveying technology curriculum approved by the board FS exam	4 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Registered as a land surveyor-in-training (PLS experience is above and beyond any experience required for LSIT) PLS exam	4 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** The board may register without examination an applicant for professional registration as a land surveyor who holds a valid certificate of registration issued by another state or foreign country which has or had requirements for registration substantially similar to those of this state shall pass the part of the professional land surveyor examination relating to the surveying methods and legal principles in this state as prescribed by the board in its rules.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

<http://michie.lexisnexis.com/dc/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=main-h.htm&cp=dccode>

**LSIT (Land Surveyor Intern)**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
<b>#1</b> Graduate of a 4-year baccalaureate land surveying degree accredited by EAC/ABET, ASAC/ABET, or TAC/ABET FS exam	0
<b>#2</b> Non-degreed applicant must demonstrate the attainment of a minimum of 8 years of education and experience, having taken at least one course of land surveying at an accredited institution as described above. FS exam	8 years

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Licensed as a Land Surveyor Intern #1 and #2 as described above. (A person applying for licensure as a Professional Land Surveyor shall prove to the satisfaction of the Board that he or she has obtained experience indicating that he or she may be competent to practice land surveying.) PLS exam	Board determined
Non-degreed applicant must demonstrate the attainment of a minimum of 12 years of education and experience, having taken at least one course of land surveying at an accredited institution as described above. PLS exam	12 years

**COMITY**

**PLS:** An applicant possessing a current Professional Land Surveyor license issued by an appropriate licensing authority in a state, province, or territory of Canada or Mexico may be permitted to obtain a license in the District of Columbia if the applicant proves to the satisfaction of the Board that he or she otherwise qualifies for licensure under this chapter, has passed an examination acceptable to the Board, and has completed education and training requirements for licensure in the foreign jurisdiction that were substantially equivalent, at the time they were received by the applicant, to the Board's current education and experience requirements.

**PUERTO RICO**

<http://www.michie.com/puertorico/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=main-h.htm&cp=prcode>

**LSIT**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Graduate of a surveying course or plan of studies of at least four (4) academic years, or its equivalent, from any university, college or institution whose reputation and degree of excellence are, in the case of Puerto Rico, of those accepted by the Council on Higher Education, and in the case of foreign degrees, by the Board FS exam	0

**PLS**

EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE
Registered as a surveyor-in-training (PLS experience is after being a surveyor-in-training)	4 years