

Chapter RL 82

EXAMINATION

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RL 82.01 Examination. (1) Prior to issuance of a residential or general appraiser's certification or appraiser's license an applicant shall pass the national examination required for certification as a residential appraiser or general appraiser or for licensure, and the examination on Wisconsin statutes and rules governing appraisers.

Note: The examination on Wisconsin statutes and rules is administered by the Department of Regulation and Licensing and the national examination is administered by a provider approved by the Department of Regulation and Licensing.

(2) The national examination required for appraiser certification or licensure shall be consistent with and equivalent to the uniform state certification examination issued or endorsed by the appraiser qualifications board of the appraisal foundation.

(3) A score determined by the department to represent minimum competence to practice is required to pass each examination. The department may adopt the passing grade on the national examination recommended by the examination provider. Following consultation with subject matter experts who have reviewed a representative sample of the examination questions and available candidate performance statistics, the department shall make a determination of the passing grade on the Wisconsin statutes and rules examination and shall set the passing score for the examination at that point which represents minimum acceptable competence in the profession.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1991, No. 429, eff. 10-1-91; emerg. am. (1) and (2), eff. 10-1-91; am. (1) and (2), Register, May, 1992, No. 437, eff. 6-1-92; am. Register, June, 1996, No. 486, eff. 7-1-96.

RL 82.02 Examination procedures. (1) An applicant shall not practice any deception or fraud with respect to his or her identity in connection with the taking of an examination.

(2) An applicant shall not cheat or attempt to cheat on an examination by any means, including, but not limited to:

- (a) Giving or receiving answers to examination questions;
- (b) Attempting to obtain, receive or communicate to other persons examination questions;
- (c) Using unauthorized materials during any portion of the examination; or

(d) Failing to comply with additional written instructions provided at the time of examination relating to cheating other than those specified in pars. (a) to (c).

(4) Silent cordless calculators may be used by the applicant when taking the examination.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1991, No. 429, eff. 10-1-91; r. (1), renum. (2) and (3) to be (1) and (2) and r. and recr. (2) (d), Register, June, 1996, No. 486, eff. 7-1-96.

RL 82.03 Reexamination. (1) Upon payment of the required fee, an applicant may retake an examination.

(2) The score attained on a retaken examination shall be substituted for the original score.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1991, No. 429, eff. 10-1-91.

RL 82.04 Claim of examination error. (1) To claim an error on the Wisconsin statutes and rules examination, an applicant shall file a written request with the department within 30 days of the date the applicant reviews the examination. The request shall include:

- (a) The applicant's name and address;
- (b) The type of certificate for which the applicant applied;
- (c) A description of the mistakes the applicant believes were made in the examination content, procedures, or scoring, including the specific questions or procedures claimed to be in error; and
- (d) The facts which the applicant intends to prove, including reference text citations or other supporting evidence for the applicant's claim.

(2) The department shall review the claim, make a determination of the validity of the objections and notify the applicant in writing of the decision and any resulting score changes.

(3) If the decision does not result in a passing grade, the applicant may retake the examination.

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