

## **21 NCAC 62 .0403 EXAMINATION**

(a) The Board shall schedule an examination at least two times annually. An applicant for a certificate as a registered environmental health specialist shall pass the examination which consists of the following:

- (1) an objective written examination, designed to test the applicant's competence in the subject of environmental health;
- (2) an oral examination prepared, administered and evaluated by the Board; and
- (3) a written question prepared, administered and evaluated by the Board.

(b) Applicants taking or retaking the examination shall submit a written application to the Board. The request shall indicate which portions of the exam the applicant intends to take. The exam application shall be postmarked no later than 30 days prior to the advertised date of the examination.

(c) Every applicant shall pass the examination with a grade of at least 70 percent, with the objective written examination to count 50 percent of the total score, the oral examination to count 25 percent of the total score, and the written question to count 25 percent of the total score. An applicant shall score a minimum of 60 percent on each individual portion of the examination. All scores of any portion of the exam shall be retained by the Board and the highest score for each portion shall be applied in meeting the requirements of this Section.

(d) Applicants shall not cheat or attempt to cheat on the examination by any means, including giving or receiving assistance, and shall not communicate in any manner with any person during the examination, other than the person(s) administering the examination. Violation of this Paragraph is cause for dismissal from the examination, invalidation of the examination score, and revocation or denial of registration.

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