

**21 NCAC 46 .1602 LICENSE BY RECIPROcity**

(a) An applicant for licensure without examination, must have:

- (1) Originally been licensed as a pharmacist by an examination equivalent to the North Carolina examination specified in Rule .1505(a)(1) of this Chapter;
- (2) Achieved scores on an equivalent examination, such as the NABPLEX examination, which would qualify for licensure in this state at the time of examination; and
- (3) Been licensed by a state which deems licensees from this state to be equivalent to the extent that they are suitable for licensure in that state without further substantial examination.

(b) All applicants shall submit to the Board a signed release form, completed Fingerprint Record Card, and such other form(s) required to perform a criminal history check at the time of application.

(c) The Board shall require an applicant for licensure without examination who has not practiced pharmacy within two years prior to application to obtain additional continuing education, practical pharmacy experience, successfully complete one or more parts of the Board's licensure examination, or a combination of the foregoing, as the Board deems necessary to ensure that the applicant can safely and properly practice pharmacy.

(d) The Board shall also restrict licenses granted pursuant to this Rule for such period of time as the Board deems necessary to ensure that the applicant can safely and properly practice pharmacy.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 90-85.6; 90-85.20;  
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