

5300.0240 EXAMINATION METHODS; SUBJECTS AND PROCEDURES.

Subpart 1. **National written and state examination required.** Examination of an applicant for a license as a marriage and family therapist shall be composed of:

A. a written, objective part designed and scored by a professional examination service approved by the Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards; and

B. a state part conducted by members of the board.

Subp. 2. **Examination fee.** An applicant who is admitted to written examination under part 5300.0190 must pay the written examination fee in part 5300.0360, item B, before taking the examination.

Subp. 3. **National written part of examination.** The written examination is the examination approved by the Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards. The written examination shall be offered on dates established by the Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards.

Subp. 4. **State part of examination.** The state examination of an applicant shall be held according to those methods determined by the board to be the most practical and expeditious in testing the applicant's qualifications for licensure. The state examination of an applicant shall take place after the applicant's application for licensure has been accepted by the board and before the applicant is approved for licensure. The state examination of an applicant shall cover:

A. the applicant's knowledge of the laws governing marriage and family therapists;

B. the applicant's knowledge of the code of ethics;

C. the applicant's awareness of the responsibilities to the board and to the public; and

D. other practice-related areas.

Subp. 5. **Notification procedures.** The board shall notify an applicant in writing of admission to either part of the examination at least 30 days before either part of the examination is scheduled to take place. The notice shall state the date, time, and place where the applicant is scheduled to be examined.

Subp. 6. **Passing score required on examination.** The passing score of the written part of the examination is the passing score determined by the Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards. The passing score for the state examination shall be determined by the board. An applicant must pass both parts of the examination to qualify for licensure as a marriage and family therapist.

Subp. 7. **Reexamination permitted.** An applicant who has failed a part of the examination may be reexamined on the part the applicant failed, but not more than five times without a variance. An applicant who is reexamined on the written part of the examination must pay the written examination fee in part 5300.0360, item B.

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