State Board of Optometry
CA Laws and Regulations Examination

CANDIDATE INFORMATION BULLETIN

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PURPOSE

This handbook serves as your notice of eligibility and is designed to provide you with general information regarding the California Laws and Regulations examination processes and content.

To obtain a license to practice optometry in the State of California, an applicant is required to successfully pass the examinations developed by the National Board of Examiners in Optometry (NBEO) and the California Laws and Regulations Examination. The primary purpose of these examinations is to help ensure public health and safety by assessing the candidate’s ability to safely practice optometry at a minimum entry level within California’s laws and regulations.

The NBEO examinations test the candidate’s optometric education and training. The California Laws and Regulation’s supplemental examination identifies candidates who are qualified to safely practice optometry in the State of California.

DESCRIPTION OF OPTOMETRIC PRACTICE

The practice of optometry includes the prevention and diagnosis of disorders and dysfunctions of the visual system and the treatment and management of certain disorders and dysfunctions of the visual system, as well as the provision of rehabilitative optometric services, and is the doing of any or all of the acts described in California Business and Professions Code section 3041.

EXAMINATIONS DEVELOPMENT

The Board of Optometry works with the Department of Consumer Affairs’ Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES) to develop the law exam as required by the California Legislature and defined in Business and Professions Code Section 139. OPES provides examination-related services to the DCA’s regulatory boards and bureaus in order to ensure that licensure examination programs are fair, psychometrically sound, valid, and legal. Specific services provided include performing occupational analyses, conducting exam item development, evaluating performance of examinations, and consulting on matters pertaining to the measurement of minimum competency standards for licensure.

In addition, Government Code Section 12944 (a), requires that all licensing boards, programs, bureaus and divisions establish job-relatedness of licensing examinations. The following guidelines meet the mandates when developing law examinations:

- First, an Occupational Analysis (OA) is developed in workshops and conducted state-wide with the assistance of state licensed optometrists who serve as Subject Matter Experts.
- Second, the information gathered is then used to develop an examination plan in order to update the questions for the law exam.
- Third, on-going examination development workshops are conducted to ensure the exam is fair, valid, legal and captures the current scope of practice that affects optometric practice in California. Individual test questions are written, developed, reviewed, and approved by the subject matter experts under the guidance of OPES Test Validation and Development Specialists.

EXAMINATIONS BY PSI

The State has contracted with PSI to conduct its examination program. PSI provides examinations through a network of computer examination centers in California and ten additional nationwide sites.

All questions regarding the scheduling and administration of examinations should be directed to PSI.

PSI licensure: certification
3210 E Tropicana
Las Vegas, NV 89121
(877) 392-6422 • Fax (702) 932-2666
www.psiexams.com

All other questions about examinations should be directed to the Board.

CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
2450 DEL PASO ROAD, SUITE 105
SACRAMENTO, CA 95834
TELEPHONE: 916-575-7170
WWW.OPTOMETRY.CA.GOV

EXAMINATION PAYMENT AND SCHEDULING PROCEDURES

In order to be determined as eligible, candidates must submit a completed Application for Licensure as an Optometrist, which can be found on the Board of Optometry’s website (www.optometry.ca.gov). Once the application is processed by Board staff, the candidate will be determined to be eligible, and the Board will notify the examination administration contractor, PSI. PSI will mail a scheduling notice indicating how the candidate may schedule an examination.

Your examination eligibility expires and your application is deemed abandoned if you fail to take the examination within one year after being deemed eligible by the Board. This is the date on the eligibility letter the Board sends to you. When your eligibility expires, you will need to reapply to the Board to be considered eligible to take the examination.
**FEE**

The following fee table lists the applicable fee for the examination. The fee is for each registration, whether you are taking the examination for the first time or repeating.

| Examination Fee | $22.50 |

**NOTE:** REGISTRATION FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE OR TRANSFERABLE

In most California testing centers, testing does not take place on the following major holidays:

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**INTERNET SCHEDULING**

You may schedule for your test by completing the online Test Registration Form. The Test Registration Form is available at PSI’s website, www.psiexams.com. You may schedule for a test via the Internet 24 hours a day.

1. Complete the registration form online and submit your information to PSI via the Internet.
2. Upon completion of the online registration form, you will be given the available dates for scheduling your test.
3. You will need to choose a date to complete your registration.
4. Upon successful registration, you will receive a traceable confirmation number.

**TELEPHONE REGISTRATION AND SCHEDULING**

The second fastest method of scheduling is via the telephone with PSI’s Interactive Voice Response system (IVR) during non-business hours or through live registrars during business hours. For telephone registration, you will need a valid VISA or MasterCard.

1. Complete the Examination Registration Form, including your credit card number and expiration date, so that you will be prepared with all of the information needed to register by telephone.

Call (877) 392-6422, 24 hours a day and register using the Automated Registration System. Otherwise, PSI registrars are available Monday through Friday, between 4:30 am and 7:00 pm and Saturday, between 8:00 am and 2:00 pm, Pacific Time, to receive the information listed on your Examination Registration Form and schedule your appointment for the examination.

**FAX REGISTRATION AND SCHEDULING**

For Fax registration, you will need a valid VISA or MasterCard.

Complete the Examination Registration Form, including your credit card number and expiration date.

1. Fax the completed form to PSI (702) 932-2666. Fax registrations are accepted 24 hours a day.
2. If your information is incomplete or incorrect, it will be returned for correction.

Please allow 4 business days to process your Registration. After 4 business days, you may schedule your examination using a touch-tone phone, by calling PSI 24 hours a day at (877) 392-6422, between 4:30 am and 7:00 pm and Saturday, between 8:00 am and 2:00 pm, Pacific Time. You may also schedule online by accessing PSI’s registration website at www.psiexams.com.

**STANDARD MAIL REGISTRATION AND SCHEDULING**

For those desiring to make a payment for their examination using cashier’s checks or money orders, or for those that simply do not wish to provide credit card information over the phone or Internet, you must use the Standard Mail Registration. In order to register, please follow the steps below.

1. Complete the PSI Examination Registration Form (found at the end of the bulletin), and include the appropriate examination fee to PSI. Payment of fees can be made by money order or cashier’s check. Money orders or cashier’s checks should be made payable to PSI. Print your social security number on your cashier’s check or money order to ensure that your fees are properly assigned.

CASH, COMPANY CHECKS AND PERSONAL CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.

Mail the completed Registration Form to:

PSI licensure: certification
ATTN: Examination Registration
CA BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
3210 E Tropicana
Las Vegas, NV 89121
(877) 392-6422  •  Fax (702) 932-2666
www.psiexams.com

Please allow 2 weeks to process your Registration. After 2 weeks you may schedule your examination using a touch-tone phone, by calling PSI 24 hours a day at (877) 392-6422. To schedule with a PSI registrar, call Monday through Friday, between 4:30 am and 7:00 pm and Saturday, between 8:00 am and 2:00 pm, Pacific Time. You may also schedule online by accessing PSI’s registration website at www.psiexams.com.
CANCELING AN EXAMINATION APPOINTMENT

You may cancel and reschedule an examination appointment without forfeiting your fee if your cancellation notice is received 2 days prior to the scheduled examination date. For example, for a 9:00 a.m. Monday appointment, the cancellation notice would need to be received before 9:00 a.m. on the previous Saturday. You may call PSI at (877) 392-6422. Please note that you may also use the automated system, using a touch-tone phone, 24 hours a day in order to cancel and reschedule your appointment.

Note: A voice mail message is not an acceptable form of cancellation. Please use the internet, automated telephone system, or call PSI and speak to a Customer Service Representative.

MISSED APPOINTMENT OR LATE CANCELLATION

If you miss your appointment, you will not be able to take the examination as scheduled, further you will forfeit your examination fee, if:

- You do not cancel your appointment 2 days before the scheduled examination date;
- You do not appear for your examination appointment;
- You arrive after examination start time;
- You do not present proper identification when you arrive for the examination.

EXAMINATION SITE CLOSING FOR AN EMERGENCY

In the event that severe weather or another emergency forces the closure of an examination site on a scheduled examination date, your examination will be rescheduled. PSI personnel will attempt to contact you in this situation. However, you may check the status of your examination schedule by calling (877) 392-6422. Every effort will be made to reschedule your examination at a convenient time as soon as possible. You will not be penalized. You will be rescheduled at no additional charge.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE

All examination sites are physically accessible to individuals with disabilities. The Board and PSI recognize their responsibilities under the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act and California Fair Employment and Housing Act by providing testing accommodations or auxiliary aids or services for candidates who substantiate the need due to a physical or mental disability or qualified medical condition.

Accommodations will not be provided at the examination site unless prior approval by the Board has been granted. Reasonable, appropriate, and effective accommodations may be requested by submitting a “Request for Accommodation” package. Please contact the Board at 916-575-7170 to obtain this package.

Requests for accommodation must be received a minimum of 90 days prior to the desired test date to allow for processing. Accommodations that fundamentally alter the measurement of the skills or knowledge the examination is intended to test will not be granted.

EXAMINATION SITE LOCATIONS

The California examinations are administered at the PSI examination centers in California as listed below:

ANAEHM

2301 W. LINCOLN AVE, SUITE 252
ANAHEIM, CA 92801
(714) 254-1453

BURBANK

2950 N. HOLLYWOOD WAY, STE 150
BURBANK, CA 91505
(818) 843-0282

ATASCADERO

7305 MORRO RD, SUITE 201A
ATASCADERO, CA 93422
(805) 462-8983

CARSON

17420 S. AVALON BLVD, SUITE 205
CARSON, CA 90746
(310) 217-1066

FROM US-101 S, TAKE THE CA-41 EXIT- EXIT 219-TOWARD MORRO RD. TURN LEFT ONTO EL CAMINO REAL. Turn LEFT onto CA-41/MORRO RD.

FROM US-101 N, TAKE THE CA-41 EXIT- EXIT 219-TOWARD MORRO RD. TURN LEFT ONTO EL CAMINO REAL. Turn LEFT onto CA-41/MORRO RD.

FROM US-101 N, TAKE THE CA-41 EXIT- EXIT 219, TURN RIGHT ONTO CA-41/MORRO RD.

FROM US-101 N, TAKE THE CA-41 EXIT- EXIT 219, TURN RIGHT ONTO CA-41/MORRO RD.

FROM US-101 S, TAKE THE MORRO RD/CA-41 EXIT- EXIT 219, TURN RIGHT ONTO CA-41/MORRO RD.

FROM CA-91 W TAKE THE AVALON EXIT. MAKE A LEFT ONTO AVALON BLVD AND WE ARE LOCATED ON THE RIGHT HANDSIDE (SAME PARKING LOT AS CARL’S JR).

FROM CA-91 W TAKE THE AVALON EXIT. MAKE A LEFT ONTO AVALON BLVD. MAKE A U TURN ON AVALON BLVD AND ALBERTONI ST. WE ARE LOCATED ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE. (SAME PARKING LOT AS CARL’S JR).
From the I-10E, take the Santa Anita Ave Exit. Turn left onto Santa Anita Ave. Make a U-Turn at Emery Street onto Santa Anita Ave. The testing site will be on the right.

Fresno
351 E. Barstow, Suite 101
Fresno, CA 93710
(559) 221-9006
From CA-41 S, take the Bullard Ave Exit. Turn left onto E Bullard Ave. Turn right onto N Fresno St. Pass through the intersection of Fresno and Barstow Ave. Take the first Driveway on the right hand side.

From CA-41 N, take the Shaw Ave Exit toward Clovis. Turn right onto E Shaw Ave. Turn left onto N Fresno St. Turn left into the last Driveway before Barstow Ave.

From I-80 S towards Sacramento, take the Cypress Ave Exit (677). Turn right onto E Cypress Ave. The testing center is in the Office Complex on the SW corner of Barstow and Fresno St.

Hayward
24301 Southland Drive, Suite B-1
Hayward, CA 94545
(510) 784-1114
From I-880 N toward Oakland, take the Winton Ave Exit. Merge onto W Winton Ave toward Heald College. Turn left onto Southland Dr.

From I-880 S toward San Jose/San Mateo Br, take the Winton Ave West Exit toward Heald College. Merge onto W Winton Ave. Turn left onto Southland Dr.

Redding
2861 Churn Creek, Unit C
Redding, CA 96002
(530) 221-0945
From I-5 S, take the Cypress Avenue Exit (677). Turn right onto E Caymus Ave. Turn right on Churn Creek Rd.

From I-5 N towards Sacramento, take the Cypress Ave Exit (677). Turn left onto E Cypress Ave. Turn right on Churn Creek Rd.

From 299 E towards Redding, start going west on CA-299. Merge onto I-5 S ramp on the left towards Sacramento. Take the Cypress Ave Exit (677). Turn left onto E Cypress Ave. Turn right on Churn Creek Rd.

From 299 W towards Redding, start going east on CA-299 towards Weaverville/Redding. From 299 East turn right onto CA-273/CA-299 E/Market Street. Turn left onto CA-299 E. Merge onto I-5 S via exit 2A towards Red Bluff/Sacramento. Take the Cypress Ave Exit (677). Turn left onto E Cypress Ave. Turn right on Churn Creek Rd.

Riverside
7888 Mission Grove Parkway S., Suite 130
Riverside, CA 92508
(951) 789-0358
From the CA-91W toward Riverside/Beach Cities, take the Central Avenue Exit toward Magnolia Center. Turn left onto Central Ave. Central Ave becomes Alessandro Blvd. Veer to the right, then stay straight to go onto Trautwein Rd. (you will pass Communications Center Dr.). Turn left onto Mission Grove Pkwy W.

From the High Desert/San Bernardino Area 215 S, where the 60 Fwy, 91 Fwy and the 215 Fwy split, take 215S (signs for the 60 East Indio). Take exit 27C for Alessandro Blvd, turn right onto E Alessandro Blvd. Turn left onto Mission Grove Pkwy S.

Sacramento
9719 Lincoln Village Dr.
Building 100, Suite 100
Sacramento, CA 95827
(916) 363-6455
From San Francisco/Vallejo on I-80 E, take US-50 E toward Sacramento/South Lake Tahoe. Take Bradshaw Road, exit 13, turn right onto Bradshaw Road. Turn immediate left onto Lincoln Village Dr.

San Diego
5440 Morehouse Drive, Suite 3300
San Diego, CA 92121
(619) 298-8144
From I-80 S, take the Sorrento Valley Rd/Mira Mesa Blvd Exit. Turn left onto Mira Mesa Blvd. Turn left onto Scranton Road. Turn right onto Morehouse Drive.

From I-80 N toward Los Angeles, take the Mira Mesa Blvd/Vista Sorrento Pkwy Exit. Turn right onto Mira Mesa Blvd. Turn left onto Scranton Rd. Turn right onto Morehouse Dr.

Additional parking can be found (on top of the AT&T building) by continuing on Morehouse past our building and turning left at the next Driveway up the hill.

San Francisco
150 Executive Park Blvd., Ste 1100
San Francisco, CA 94134
(415) 330-9700
I-80 W becomes US-101 S. Take exit 429 A toward Monster Park/Tunnel Ave. Take the ramp toward 3Com Park. Turn right onto Alanna Rd. Turn left onto Executive Park Blvd.

Santa Rosa
160 Wukiup Drive, Suite 105
Santa Rosa, CA 95403
(707) 544-6723
From US-101 N, take Mark West Springs/River Road Exit. Turn right on Mark West Springs. Turn left at Old Redwood Highway. Turn right on Wukiup Drive. First Driveway on right.

From US-101 S, take Mark West Springs/River Road Exit. Turn left on Mark West Springs. Turn left at Old Redwood Highway. Turn right on Wukiup Drive. First Driveway on right.

Santa Clara
2936 Scott Blvd
Santa Clara, CA 95054
(408) 844-0004

From I-880 S toward San Jose, take the Montague Expwy Exit (7). Take the Montague Expwy West Ramp. Merge onto Montague Expwy/CR-G4 E. Turn left onto E Trumble Rd. E Trumble Rd becomes De La Cruz Blvd. Turn slight right onto Central Expwy/CR-G6 W. Turn slight right onto Scott Blvd.

Ventura
4245 Market St., Suite 208
Ventura, CA 93003
(805) 650-5220
From US-101 N, take the Telephone Road Exit 65. Turn left onto Telephone Road. Turn right onto Market Street.

Visalia
3400 W Mineral King Ave., Suite D
Visalia, CA 93291
(559) 627-6700
From CA-99N, merge onto CA-198E via exit 96 toward Visalia/Sequoia Nat’l Park. Take the exit toward Demaree St. Merge onto W Noble Avenue. Turn left onto S County Center Drive. Take the 1st left onto W Mineral King Avenue.

WWW.PSIEXAMS.COM
The following out-of-state sites will also offer this examination.

ALBUQUERQUE
2301 YALE BLVD, SE
BUILDING C, SUITE 4
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87106
FROM INTERSTATE 25, TAKE THE GIBSON BLVD EXIT AND TRAVEL EAST ON GIBSON BLVD UNTIL YOU REACH YALE BLVD SOUTHEAST. TURN RIGHT ON YALE BLVD S.E. (HEADING SOUTH), JUST PAST RENDIER PLACE AND THEN TURN RIGHT INTO THE COMMERCE CENTER. THE SITE IS ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE WAFFLE HOUSE AND COMFORT INN.

ATLANTA
CIRCLE 75 OFFICE PARK
1000 CIRCLE 75 PARKWAY, SUITE 720
ATLANTA, GA 30339
FROM I-285 BYPASS N, TAKE EXIT 51B- TOWARD MYSTIC AVENUE. TAKE THE RAMP ONTO CR-533 S TOWARD FOREST PARK DR. TURN RIGHT INTO ATLAS PARK. MAKE A RIGHT AT THE COMMERCE CENTER. THE SITE IS ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE WAFFLE HOUSE AND COMFORT INN.

CHARLOTTE
TYVOLA EXECUTIVE PARK 1
5701 WESTPARK DR, #202
CHARLOTTE, NC 28217
FROM I-77S TOWARDS COLUMBIA, EXIT TYVOLA ROAD (EXIT #5). TURN LEFT AT TYVOLA ROAD. MAKE A RIGHT AT WESTPARK DR. FROM I-77N, EXIT TYVOLA ROAD (EXIT #5). BEAR RIGHT AT TYVOLA ROAD. TURN RIGHT AT WESTPARK DR.

CHERRY HILL
950 N. KINGS HWY, SUITE 301
CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034

CHICAGO
332 S. MICHIGAN AVENUE
SUITE 410
CHICAGO, IL 60604

CRANBERRY TOWNSHIP
CRANBERRY CORPORATE BUSINESS CENTER
213 EXECUTIVE DR., SUITE 150
CRANBERRY TOWNSHIP, PA 16066
FROM I-79 EXIT CRANBERRY-MARS ROUTE 228, GO WEST. CROSS OVER ROUTE 19 ONTO FREEDOM ROAD. GO THREE TRAFFIC LIGHTS THEN TURN RIGHT ONTO EXECUTIVE DRIVE. BUILDING IS DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM HAMPTON INN.

DALLAS
300 N COIT, SUITE 172
RICHARDSON, TX 75080
FROM 75 SOUTH, TAKE THE BELT LINE ROAD EXIT AND TURN RIGHT ON BELT LINE ROAD. STAY ON BELT LINE ROAD UNTIL YOU REACH COIT. TURN RIGHT ONTO N COIT. THE BUILDING IS ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE. IF YOU ARE COMING IN FROM LBJ (I635) AND GOING NORTH ON 75, YOU WILL TURN LEFT ONTO BELT LINE AND TURN RIGHT ONTO COIT.

HAMILTON SQUARE AREA (OPENING SEPTEMBER 1, 2013)
IBIS PLAZA SOUTH
3525 QUAKERBRIDGE ROAD, SUITE 1000
HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, NJ 08619

GLENDALE (QUEENS) (CLOSING AUGUST 31, 2013)
THE SHOPS AT ATLAS PARK
71-19 80TH ST, SUITE 8307
GLENDALE, NY 11385
FROM I-678 S, TAKE THE J ROBINSON PKWY EXIT- EXIT 7. TAKE THE FOREST PARK DR EXIT- EXIT 4. TURN RIGHT ONTO MYRTLE AVE / WOODHAVEN BLVD. TURN RIGHT ONTO MYRTLE AVE / WOODHAVEN BLVD. TURN SLIGHT RIGHT ONTO FOREST PARK DR. TURN RIGHT ONTO MYRTLE AVE. TURN LEFT ONTO 80TH ST. GO TO 2ND LIGHT PAST MYRTLE AVE OVER SMALL OVERPASS MAKE A RIGHT INTO ATLAS PARK. MAKE A RIGHT AT STOP SIGN TO GET INTO PARKING LOT. ONCE PARKED, GO TO TOP FLOOR OF PARKING LOT, TURN RIGHT AND WALK UNTIL YOU SEE “MARKET PLAZA”. TAKE ELEVATOR TO THE 3RD FLOOR. OFFICES ARE LOCATED IN THE RED BRICK BUILDING.

HOUSTON (NORTHWEST)
9800 NORTHWEST FREEWAY
SUITE 200
HOUSTON, TX 77092
FROM HWY 290 DRIVING SOUTHEAST, MERGE INTO LOOP 610 NORTH. EXIT AT T.C. JESTER AND THEN U-TURN UNDER LOOP 610. STAY ON THE FEEDER ROAD, SHERATON HOTEL IS ON THE RIGHT AS THE ROAD CURVES RIGHT. TURN INTO THE PARKING LOT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SHERATON HOTEL AND BEFORE THE OFFICE BUILDING. CENTER IS ON THE 2ND FLOOR.

LAS VEGAS
3210 E TROPICANA AVENUE
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89121
FROM I-15 - EXIT EAST ON TROPICANA, TRAVEL APPROXIMATELY 4 MILES, TURN LEFT ONTO MOJAVE, TURN RIGHT INTO THE PARKING LOT. FROM I-95 - EXIT WEST ON TROPICANA, TRAVEL APPROXIMATELY 4 MILES, TURN RIGHT ON MOJAVE, TURN RIGHT INTO THE PARKING LOT.

MILFORD
500 BIC DRIVE
SUITE 101
MILFORD, CT 06461
IN THE CURVE. ON MURFREESBORO, STAY IN THE LEFT LANE. TURN LEFT ONTO KERMIT ST WHEN THERE IS A MCDONALD’S ON YOUR RIGHT. PSI IS IN THE FIRST BUILDING ON YOUR LEFT.

FROM I-40 WEST, TAKE EXIT ONTO BRILEY PARKWAY, TURN LEFT ONTO BRILEY. EXIT ON MURFREESBORO RD. STAY IN THE RIGHT LANE. TURN RIGHT ONTO KERMIT ST BETWEEN A FIRESTONE STORE AND SILVERADO DANCE HALL. TURN RIGHT ONTO KERMIT ST. PSI IS IN THE FIRST BUILDING ON YOUR LEFT.

NORTH OREM (PROVO)
581 WEST 1600 NORTH, SUITE C
NORTH OREM, UT 84057

FROM US-89, TURN RIGHT ONTO W CENTER ST/UT-114. MERGE ONTO NORTH OREM, UT 84057
581 WEST 1600 NORTH, SUITE C
NORTH OREM (PROVO)
FIRST BUILDING ON YOUR LEFT.

TURN RIGHT ONTO KERMIT ST BETWEEN A FIRESTONE STORE AND BRILEY. EXIT ONTO MURFREESBORO RD. STAY IN THE RIGHT LANE.

FROM I-40 WEST, TAKE EXIT ONTO BRILEY PARKWAY, TURN LEFT ONTO PSI IS IN THE FIRST BUILDING ON YOUR LEFT.

5727 N 7TH ST.
SUITE 301
PHOENIX, AZ 85014

FROM I-17 SOUTH EXIT TO BETHANY HOME ROAD. GO LEFT (EAST) ON BETHANY HOME. TURN RIGHT (SOUTH) ON 7TH STREET. THE PSI SITE IS ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE STREET JUST BEFORE MISSOURI. IT IS A 4 STORY GLASS BUILDING.

PHOENIX
205 BUSINESS CENTER, SUITE 201
8383 NE SANDY BLVD
PORTLAND, OR 97220

GET ON I-84 HEADING EAST. TAKE EXIT NO. 5-82ND AVE. TURN RIGHT ON NE MULTNOMAH ST. TURN RIGHT ON NE 82ND AVE. TURN RIGHT ON NE SANDY BLVD. THE SITE IS ON THE LEFT ½ BLOCK FROM 82ND AND SANDY.

RICHMOND
MOOREFIELD VI BUILDING
620 MOOREFIELD PARK DRIVE
SUITE 205
RICHMOND, VA 23236

FROM I-64, TAKE THE PARHAM RD EXIT AND TURN RIGHT. N PARHAM RD/VA-73 S BECOMES VA-150 S/CHIPPENHAM PKWY. MERGE ONTO VA-76 S/POWHITE PKWY. MERGE ONTO MIDLOTHIAN TURNPIKE WEST. TURN LEFT ON MOOREFIELD PARK DR.

SOUTHFIELD (DETROIT AREA) EXAMINATION CENTER
CROSSROADS BUILDING
16250 NORTHLAND DRIVE, SUITE 361
SOUTHFIELD, MI 48075

FROM I-75 NORTH AND SOUTH, EXIT WEST 8 MILE RD. CROSS THE LODGE FWY (HWY 10). TURN RIGHT ON NORTHLAND DRIVE. NORTHLAND DRIVE IS NEXT TO THE NORTHLAND SHOPPING CENTER. FROM SOUTHFIELD FWY NORTH AND SOUTH, EXIT EAST 8 MILE RD. GO EAST ON 8 MILE TO NORTHLAND DRIVE. NORTHLAND DRIVE IS NEXT TO THE NORTHLAND SHOPPING CENTER

WEST DES MOINES
1001 OFFICE PARK ROAD, SUITE 315
WEST DES MOINES, IA 50265

WEST HARTFORD
45 SOUTH MAIN STREET, SUITE 209
WEST HARTFORD, CT 06107

FROM I-84, EXIT 41, S. MAIN ST. AND PROCEED NORTH APPROXIMATELY 2 MILES. 45 SOUTH MAIN WILL APPEAR ON THE LEFT, DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE TOWN HALL, BEFORE YOU CROSS FARMINGTON AVENUE. THE ATTENDANT WILL PARK YOUR CAR AT NO CHARGE. TAKE THE ELEVATOR TO THE SECOND FLOOR TO SUITE 209.

WOODBURY
6053 HUDSON RD, SUITE 210
WOODBURY, MN 55125

FROM I-94 GO SOUTH ON CENTURY TO THE FIRST LEFT (WHICH IS THE FRONTAGE ROAD ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTRY INN). ENTER THE OFFICE COMPLEX THROUGH THE SINCLAIR GAS STATION AND ALONG BACK OF THE INN. 6053 IS THE BUILDING DIRECTLY AHEAD. THE ENTRANCE ON THAT (WEST) SIDE IS ACTUALLY ON THE 2ND FLOOR. SUITE 210 IS DOWN THE CORRIDOR TO THE RIGHT. PLEASE USE THE WEST ENTRANCE ON SATURDAYS.

REPORTING TO THE EXAMINATION SITE

On the day of the examination, you must arrive at least 30 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment time. This allows time for check-in and identification verification and provides time to familiarize yourself with the examination process. If you arrive late, you may not be admitted to the examination site and you may forfeit your examination registration fee. Even though candidates will be thumb printed, you are still required to comply with any identification requirements established by the appropriate regulatory entity.

REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION AT EXAMINATION SITE

You must provide 1 form of identification, either:
- An un-expired State Department of Motor Vehicles Identification Card.
- An un-expired State Department of Motor Vehicles Identification Card.
- An un-expired passport.
- A current U.S. military-issued identification card.
- An un-expired passport.

If you cannot provide the required identification, you must call (877) 392-6422 at least 3 weeks prior to your scheduled appointment to arrange a way to meet this security requirement. Failure to provide all of the required identification at the time of the examination without notifying PSI is considered a missed appointment, and you will not be able to take the examination.

CALIFORNIA LAW SECURITY PROCEDURES

Section 123 of the California Business and Professions Code states: It is a misdemeanor for any person to engage in any conduct which subverts or attempts to subvert any licensing examination or the administration of an examination, including, but not limited to:
- Conduct which violates the security of the examination materials;
- Conduct which violates the security of the examination materials without authorization;
The unauthorized reproduction by any means of any portion of the actual licensing examination;

Aiding by any means the unauthorized reproduction of any portion of the licensing examination;

Paying or using professional or paid examination-takers for the purpose of reconstructing any portion of the licensing examination;

Obtaining examination questions or other examination material, except by specific authorization either before, during, or after an examination; or

Selling, distributing, buying, receiving, or having unauthorized possession of any portion of a future, current, or previously administered licensing examination.

Communicating with any other examinee during the administration of a licensing examination.

Copying answers from another examinee or permitting one’s answers to be copied by another examinee.

Having in one’s possession during the administration of the licensing examination any books, equipment, notes, written or printed materials, or data of any kind, other than the examination materials distributed, or otherwise authorized to be in one’s possession during the examination.

Impersonating any examinee or having an impersonator take the licensing examination on one’s behalf.

Nothing in this section shall preclude prosecution under authority provided for in any other provision of law. In addition to any other penalties, a person found guilty of violating this section, shall be liable for the actual damages and costs of litigation.

The California State Board of Optometry may deny, suspend, revoke, or otherwise restrict a license on the ground that an applicant or licensee has violated Section 123 pertaining to subversion of licensing examinations.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT TAKING AN EXAMINATION**

1. All candidates will have their thumbprint taken during examination check-in and re-entry into the testing room after an approved absence. If a candidate passes the examination, the thumbprint record will be destroyed. If a candidate abandons his or her application for licensure, as determined by the appropriate regulatory authority, the thumbprint will also be destroyed. If a candidate is unsuccessful, the thumbprint record will be retained by PSI to ensure proper identification on any subsequent examination attempts. If the thumbprint doesn't match upon exit and re-entry, the candidate shall be disqualified from the examination, his or her test results invalidated, and the appropriate regulatory entity will be notified of the occurrence. The taking of the thumbprint is an additional measure to enhance examination security. The Department’s Office of Examination Resources shall ensure that the appropriate safeguards for the storage and destruction of the thumbprint records are in place.

2. The temperature in the testing room is maintained at a moderate level. Candidates are advised to layer clothing. Acceptable layered clothing includes lightweight shirts, sweaters, and pullovers without pockets. These items must be worn upon check-in, while you wait to enter the testing room, and during your initial seating for the examination.

3. There are timing mechanisms available at the test site and on the computer console to help candidates keep track of time during the test administration. Watches or other timekeeping devices are not permitted in the examination rooms.

4. Only one candidate will be allowed to take a restroom break at a time. Candidates are required to sign out when you leave the room and when you return. If a candidate’s restroom break takes longer than 5 (five) minutes, a proctor will check on the candidate and will notify Board of the occurrence, who will take appropriate action.

5. The following items are not permitted in the examination rooms:

   - Cellular telephones, personal digital assistants (PDAs), recording devices, cameras, pagers, purses, notebooks, notebook computers, reference or readings material, music players, radios, electronic games, calculators, or briefcases.
   - Personal items including watches, backpacks, wallets, pens, pencils, or other writing devices, food, drinks (unless prior approval is obtained by your regulatory entity) and good-luck items.
   - Hats, baseball caps, or visors (with the exception of religious apparel), coats, shawls, hooded clothing, heavy jackets, overcoats or shirts with pockets.

   During the check-in process, all candidates will be asked if they possess any of the prohibited items and all candidates will be asked to empty their pockets. If prohibited items are found during check-in, candidates shall return these items to their vehicle or other place of safekeeping. Neither PSI, nor the Department of Consumer Affairs, shall be responsible for the items. Any candidate possessing the prohibited items in the examination room shall have his or her test results invalidated, and PSI shall notify the Board of the occurrence.

6. Copying or communicating examination content is a violation of PSI security policy and existing law. Either one shall result in the disqualification or invalidation of examination results, the denial of your license, and may subject the candidate to criminal prosecution.

7. If you are asked by a proctor to step into the lobby during your examination, the proctor will suspend your examination and you will not lose any remaining test time.

**TAKING THE EXAMINATION BY COMPUTER**

Taking the PSI examination by computer is simple. You do not need any computer experience or typing skills. You will use fewer keys than you use on a touch-tone telephone. All response keys are colored and have prominent characters. An illustration of the special keyboard is shown here.
IDENTIFICATION SCREEN

You will be directed to a semi-private testing station to take the examination. When you are seated at the testing station, you will be prompted to confirm your name, identification number, and the examination for which you are registered.

TUTORIAL

Before you start your examination, an introductory tutorial to the computer and keyboard is provided on the computer screen. The time you spend on this tutorial, up to 15 minutes, DOES NOT count as part of your examination time. Sample questions are included as part of the tutorial so that you may practice using the keys, answering questions, and reviewing your answers.

EXAMINATION QUESTION EXAMPLE

During the examination, you should press 1, 2, 3, or 4 to select your answer. You should then press “ENTER” to record your answer and move on to the next question. You may skip, mark, or review any questions during the examination. A sample question display follows:

ABOUT THE EXAMINATION

The California Laws and Regulations Examination is based upon a test plan developed by California licensed optometrists. The plan identifies aspects of practice related to the tasks that an optometrist must be able to perform upon licensure. The exam consists of 50 multiple-choice questions from major job duty areas. The candidate is given 1 hour to complete the exam.

EXAMINATION SCORES

At the end of your exam, you will receive a pass or fail result on a printed score report. Numerical (raw) scores are provided to candidates who fail, but are not provided to candidates who pass. Your test results are confidential and are released only to you and the Board of Optometry. To protect your privacy and to maintain the confidentiality of test results, score information is not given over the telephone.

Failing Score Reports: The score report will indicate the candidate’s overall score, including the number of questions answered correctly. It also reveals how the candidate performed on each major section of the test as defined in the study guide below. The number correct in each content area is displayed. The purpose of providing this information is to guide candidates in areas requiring additional preparation for re-testing.

Re-Examination: Candidates who fail may re-take the law exam after 180 days from the date of the examination. The date the candidate will be eligible to re-examine will be provided on the score report. Candidates must wait to register to re-examine after 180 days have elapsed. PSI will not allow candidates to register earlier. After the second failed exam, a request for reexamination form will be provided with the score report at the test center, or may be obtained by contacting the Board at 916-575-7170. Candidates must complete the form and submit to the Board with the correct fee for re-examination. A notice confirming the date the candidate will be eligible to re-examine will be sent approximately 180 days from the date of the examination. Candidates are permitted to take the exam two times in a 12 month eligibility period.

APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE TO PRACTICE OPTOMETRY

The following information is provided for those persons interested in obtaining a license to practice optometry in California. Interested parties can also access this information by visiting the Board’s web-site at www.optometry.ca.gov; click on the link titled Licensing Information.

All requirements for licensure must be met before a license will be issued to practice optometry in the state of California. Following are the licensure requirements:
Must be over the age of 18 years.
Must submit an application accompanied by the required fee of $275.00.
Must have graduated from an accredited school of optometry.
Must submit to a criminal background check by the California Department of Justice.
If licensed in another state, must provide proof of licensure.
Must pass the following required examinations:
- National Board of Examiners in Optometry Examination parts I, II, & III
- California Laws and Regulations Examination

Applicants will receive a written response from the Board on the status of the application within 45 days from the date the application is received.

International Graduates:
The National Board of Examiners in Optometry (NBEO) requires applicants who graduated from outside the United States to obtain permission from a state licensing board to sit for the NBEO exams. The California Board of Optometry shall permit international graduates to take the examination provided they meet all of the following requirements:
- Must be over the age of 18
- Must submit a written request to the Board
- Must have been granted a degree in doctor of optometry

ABANDONMENT OF APPLICATION

In accordance with Business and Professions Code section 142(b), the Board considers an application abandoned if a candidate has not completed the requirements for licensure within one year after receiving notification of an incomplete application.

In the event an application is abandoned, a candidate must submit a new application along with the required fee and must meet all state requirements. Application fees are not reimbursed when an application is abandoned.

OBTAINING A COPY OF THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Board of Optometry’s law and regulations can be found at www.optometry.ca.gov; click on the tab titled “Laws/Regulations,” on the homepage. Review the following link:
- Optometry Laws and Regulations (This is the 2013 version of the law book)

Make sure to thoroughly review all the sections in the link above during your studies, as all law examinations will reflect all law changes up to your examination date.
It is important that candidates prepare for the examination by studying the state and federal laws and regulations as indicated in the study guide.

The study guide describes the examination content required to demonstrate acceptable competence by a newly licensed optometrist in California. It is organized into four major content areas. Content areas specify the practical knowledge required for the practice of optometry as referenced in the sections of the Business and Professions Code, California Code of Regulations, Health and Safety Code, Education Code, Welfare and Institutions Code, Penal Code, and the Federal Code of Regulations that govern and regulate the profession of optometry in California. Each content area yields a specific number of questions on the examination. The proportion of questions from each content area is based on the importance of knowledge of code sections contained in each content area for the safe and effective practice of optometry.

All code sections referenced in the attached study guide can be found in the 2013 edition of the law book issued by the California State Board of Optometry, which can be accessed online at www.optometry.ca.gov/lawsregs/laws.pdf, or at http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html.
## 1. Scope of Practice 40% -- This content area assesses the candidate’s knowledge of the laws governing the Optometrist scope of practice found in the Business and Professions Code (BPC).

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## 2. Licenses 24% -- This content area assesses the candidate’s knowledge of the laws governing the Optometrist’s license maintenance, registration, patient access to health records, unprofessional conduct, and marketing practices found in the Business and Professions Code, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Penal Code (Penal), Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC), Health and Safety Code (HSC), and Education Code (EC).

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### 4. Lenses 30% -- This content area assesses the candidate's knowledge of the laws governing prescriptions, contact and spectacle lenses, dispensing opticians, and optometric assistants found in the Business and Professions Code (BPC), Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), and California Code of Regulations (CCR).

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Before you begin . . .
Read the Candidate Information Bulletin before filling out this registration form. You must provide all information requested and submit the appropriate fee. PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY. Registration forms that are incomplete, illegible, or not accompanied by the proper fee will be returned unprocessed. Registration fees are not refundable.

1. Legal Name:
   Last Name
   (Jr/III)
   First Name
   Middle Name

2. Candidate ID:

3. Mailing Address:
   Number, Street
   Apt/Ste
   City
   State
   Zip Code

4. Telephone:
   Home
   Office

5. Email: ___________________________@_____________________

6. Examinations: (select one)
   ☐ Optometry CA Laws and Regulations Examination ($22.50)

7. Total Fee
   (Money Order or Cashier’s Check only, made payable to PSI.) (Personal and company checks are not accepted.)
   Credit card (MasterCard or VISA) payment accepted for phone or fax registrations only. (Check One): ☐ MC ☐ VISA
   Card No: ___________________________ Exp. Date: ___________________________
   Card Verification No: ___________________________
   For your security, PSI requires you to enter the card identification number located on your credit card. The card identification number is located on the back of the card and consists of the last three digits on the signature strip.
   Cardholder Name (Print): ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________

9. Affidavit: I certify that the information provided on this registration form (and/or telephonically to PSI) is correct. I understand that any falsification of information may result in denial of registration. I have read and understand the candidate information bulletin.
   Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
   When you have finished this form in its entirety, please mail the form, along with the appropriate fees, to the address below.

PSI licensure: certification * ATTN: Examination Registration CA BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
3210 E Tropicana * Las Vegas, NV * 89121
Fax (702) 932-2666 * (877) 392-6422 * TTY (800) 735-2929
www.psiexams.com
You are eligible to participate in the CA Optometry Laws and Regulations Examination. Your address label contains important date information. In the upper left corner of the address label (above your name) is the date your application for examination was approved; following that is the date by which you must take your examination. You must take your examination by the date specified on the label, or you will need to reapply (see *Expiration of Examination Eligibility* in this bulletin).

Note: Your name below must match exactly the one required form of identification you must bring to the testing site.

This bulletin is designed to provide you with information regarding examination procedures and content areas. To schedule your examination, please refer to the instructions in this bulletin.