

Massage Therapy

Licensure Examination Requirements and Information

General Requirements

- Must be at least 18 years of age or has received a high school diploma or graduate equivalency diploma (G.E.D.);
- Completed a course of study at a Board of Massage Therapy Approved School or completed a Board-approved apprenticeship program
- Must have completed a 2-hour course on the prevention of medical errors.
- Must pass either:
 - The National Certification Examination in Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork (NCETMB),
 - the National Certification Examination in Therapeutic Massage (NCETM),
 - the National Exam for State Licensure (NESL) as administered by the National Certification Board of Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork; or
 - The Massage and Bodywork Licensing Examination (MBLEX) administered by the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards.
- For more information regarding requirements to sit for the above listed exams or to schedule an exam, please contact the testing centers directly. The NCBTMB can be reached at 1-800-296-0664. The FSMTB can be reached at 1-866-962-3926.
- Must submit an application and fee for licensure as a massage therapist. Some applicants may be required to appear before the Board at a regularly scheduled meeting for determination of licensure; therefore, it is imperative that all application deadlines are adhered to.

Examination Requirements and Information

The board accepts the following exams:

- The National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork examination (NCBTMB)
- The National Certification Exam for Therapeutic Massage (NCETM)
- National Exam for State Licensure (NESL) administered by NCBTMB
- The Massage and Bodywork Licensing Examination (MBLEX) administered by the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB)

NCBTMB: <http://www.ncbtmb.org/>

FSMTB: <http://www.fsmtb.org/>

For more information regarding requirements to sit for the above listed exams or to schedule an exam, please contact the testing centers directly.

If it has been more than one year since you have taken the exam, please contact the administrator of the examination to request an official score report be sent directly to the board office.