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Optometry License by Examination Application Instructions

Alaska Statute 08.72.110 states that no person may practice optometry in the state without first obtaining an Alaska license. The State of Alaska provides for licensure of optometrist with therapeutic authority only and no longer offers a restricted license for new applicants.

All Alaska-licensed practitioners with a DEA registration number valid to use in any state or practice location must register with the Alaska Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) within 30 days of initial licensure and use the PDMP to review a patient's prescription history each time before prescribing or administering a federally scheduled II or III controlled substance. For more information, please visit *PDMP.Alaska.Gov*

LICENSURE BY EXAMINATION

The following must be received by the division before your application for Optometry License by Examination can be reviewed:

1. APPLICATION

A completed application, signed and notarized (#08-4913, pages 1-7). If a section or question does not apply to you or if you do not have a response, enter N/A in the field or box.

2. FEES

Fees made payable to "State of Alaska."	
Nonrefundable Application Fee:	\$ 450.00
Initial License Fee:	\$ 600.00
State Law Examination Fee:	\$ 250.00
Total Fees Due:	\$1,300.00

3. AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF RECORDS

A completed Authorization for Release of Records form (#08-4913a).

4. TRANSCRIPTS

Official transcripts sent directly to the division from a recognized college of optometry indicating OD degree.

5. REFERENCES

Three notarized letters of reference sent directly to the division from the person providing the reference (#08-4913b).

6. VERIFICATION OF LICENSURE

Verification of Licensure must be sent directly to the department from each jurisdiction where the applicant holds or has ever held a license to practice optometry. Each verification must include an explanation of any disciplinary action taken against the licensee. Check with each of the state boards you are or have been licensed in for their verification request process. If a state offers primary source verification on their website, that can be accepted as long as the website clearly confirms that it's a primary source verification.

7. DEA REGISTRATION

Copy of a valid DEA registration. Persons with a valid federal DEA registration number must submit proof of two hours of education in pain management and opioid use and addiction completed within two years preceding the date of application.

8. EXAM SCORES

Passing scores on all parts of the written and practical examination administered by the NBEO taken within four years of the date of application and sent directly to the Division from the NBEO (part I, II, III, TMOD, and ISE).

9. CONTINUING EDUCATION

If the date from an approved college of optometry indicating OD degree was greater than 2 years from the date of application, you must submit documentation of 36 hours of continuing education, in accordance with 12 AAC 48.210.

General Information

APPLICATION PROCESSING:

The average time to process a paper application varies by program but can take several weeks from the date it is received in this office complete with all correct forms, supporting documents and appropriate fees paid. When the application is complete and correct, and all supporting documents have been received and all fees have been paid, the license will be issued. Start the process far enough in advance to allow for processing time. Applications are reviewed in order of receipt in our office, and walk-in customers should not expect immediate review.

LICENSE TERM:

There is no "inactive" status. If you choose not to renew your license, it will lapse. Licenses are issued for a two-year period and expire on December 31 of even-numbered years, regardless of the date of issuance, except licenses issued within 90 days of the expiration date are issued to the next biennial expiration date. Renewal applications become available 30-90 days prior to the expiration date. One renewal notice will be sent via email or mail at least 30 days before license expiration to the last known email or mailing address of record. Failure to receive a renewal notice does not alleviate the requirement to renew the license if you wish to continue providing services in Alaska.

PROFESSIONAL FITNESS QUESTIONS:

A "yes" response in the application does not mean your application will be denied. If you have responded "yes" to any professional fitness questions in the application, be sure to submit a signed and dated explanation, and the charging document and judgement.

DENIAL OF APPLICATION:

Please be aware that the denial of an application of licensure may be reported to any person, professional licensing board, federal, state, or local governmental agency, or other entity making a relevant inquiry or as may be required by law.

RANDOM AUDIT:

If your program requires continuing education, the Division will audit a percentage of the license renewals. If your license is randomly selected for audit, a letter will be sent with instructions to submit documentation as proof you satisfied the continuing competency requirements as stated on this renewal form. Licensees are randomly selected by computer and may be randomly selected as often as the computer program chooses. You must save your documents for at least four years so you can respond to audits.

ADDRESS OR NAME CHANGE:

In accordance with 12 AAC 02.900, it is the applicant's/licensee's responsibility to notify the Division, in writing, of changes of address or name. Name and address change notification forms are available on the Division's website. The address of record with the division will be used to send renewals and all other official notifications and correspondence. The name appearing on the license must be your current legal name.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPIES:

If any of the required documents will be issued under a former name, indicate on the application and submit marriage license and/or court documents that are notarized as a "certified true copy of the original document". To obtain a certified true copy, you must present the notary with the original document along with the photocopy. You must write, "I certify this is a true copy of the original document" and sign your name. The notary will compare the original document with the copy and then notarize your signature.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS:

AS 08.01.060 and 08.01.100 require that a U.S. Social Security Number be on file with the division before a professional license is issued or renewed for an individual. If you do not have a U.S. Social Security Number, please complete the Request for Exemption from Social Security Number Requirement form (#08-4372) located at *ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov* or contact the division for a copy of the form. This form is required with every application if you do not have a U.S. Social Security Number.

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

Please be aware that all information on the application form will be available as a public record, unless required to be kept confidential by state or federal law.

ABANDONED APPLICATIONS:

Under 12 AAC 02.910, an application is considered abandoned when 12 months have elapsed since correspondence was last received from or on behalf of the applicant. An abandoned application is denied without prejudice. At the time of abandonment, the division will send notification to the last known address of the applicant, who has 30 days to submit a written request for a refund of biennial license and other fees paid. The application fee will not be refunded. If no request for refund is received within that timeframe, no refund will be issued, and all fees will be forfeited.

BUSINESS LICENSES:

The status of a professional license will directly impact the status of an associated business license. Renewal applications for business licenses are mailed separately. For more information about business licenses, (907) 465-2550 or *BusinessLicense.Alaska.Gov*

STALE DOCUMENTS:

Application forms, authorizations and verifications older than 12 months from the date the document was received by the division will be considered stale; the document must be resubmitted as appropriate before the application will be considered by the division or a licensing board. Application documents include the application documents and verifications of licensure from other licensing jurisdictions. (12 AAC 02.915)

PAYMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT:

If the Alaska Child Support Enforcement Division has determined that you are in arrears on child support, you may be issued a nonrenewable temporary license valid for 150 days. Contact Child Support Services at (907) 269-6900 to resolve payment issues.

STATUTES AND REGULATIONS:

The complete set of statutes and regulations for this program are available by written request or online at the division's website: *ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov*

If you would like to receive notice of all proposed regulation changes for your program, please send a request in writing with your name, preferred contact method (mail or email), and the specific program you want to be updated on to the address below.

Regulations Specialist Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing EMAIL: RegulationsAndPublicComment@Alaska.Gov

Application for Licensure Checklist

Checklist	Document	Provided By
	Completed application, signed and notarized (#08-4913, pages 1-7).	You provide
	Authorization for Release of Records form (#08-4913a).	You provide
	Optometry education transcripts.	You request; school mails directly to our office
	Three letters of reference (#08-4913b).	You request; references mail directly to our office
	Verification of Licensure from any state, territory, or province, you hold, or have ever held a license.	You request; jurisdictions mail directly to our office
	NBEO / TMOD / PAM / ISE scores.	You request; agency mails directly to our office
	Copy of DEA registration number (if you have one). Effective July 1, 2018: persons with a valid federal DEA registration number must submit certificate of completion of two hours of education in pain management and opioid misuse and addiction completed within 2 years preceding the date of application.	You provide
	Proof of 36 hours of CE if you graduated from optometry school two or more years before the date of application.	You provide
	Charging and closing court documentation for any "yes" answers. If the "yes" answers are health-related, provide a "fit to practice" letter from your health care provider.	You provide or the health care provider submits directly to our office
	Written explanation, signed and dated, for any "yes" answers.	You provide
	Fees enclosed with application.	You provide



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PART I P	ayment of Fees			
Required Fees:	Application, License, and	State Law Examination	Fee (\$450 is Non-Refundable)	\$1,300.00
PART II P	ersonal Information			
Full Legal Name:	First	Middle	Last	
	names used (maiden, nicknames, al d true copy of the documentation sho	• •	•	ame, you must
🔲 Not App	licable			
🔲 Other N	ames Used:			
Mailing Address:	P.O. Box or Street	City	State	Zip
Contact Phone:			Date of Birth:	
and Professional Licens	y choosing to receive correspondence on any i sing, I agree to maintain an accurate email add ess in good standing may result in an inability to	dress through the MY LICENSI	e web page. I understand that failure to che	ck my email account or
Email Address:			Select One: Send my Correspondence Send my Co	ondence Electronically ondence by Mail
	Note: If both boxes are selected	d above, you will receive o	correspondence electronically.	
States Social Security N	/IBER: AS 08.01.060 requires you to provide v lumber. It is considered confidential informati ed; it may be used to verify inter-state licensur	ion and will		

PART III General Education Information

Name of College or University:	Location: (City, State)	
Date Attended From:	Date Attended To:	
Degree Awarded:	Date Awarded:	

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PART IV Optometry Education Information

School of Optometry Name:	Location: (City, State)	
Date Attended From:	Date Attended To:	
Degree Awarded:	Date Awarded:	

PART V Examinations

List all exams and courses taken. For online courses, list the company name and website. The ISE is required for all applicants by examination.

OE Tracker Number:			
Course	Location	Date Completed	Result
NBEO Exam – Part I			Pass
NBEO Exam – Part II			Pass
NBEO Exam – Part III			Pass
23 Hours Nontopical Therapeutic Agent / TMOD / PAM			Pass Fail
Injection Skills Education (ISE)			Pass

PART VI Professional License(s)

Please list all states, territories, provinces, or foreign countries in which you currently hold or have ever held a license to practice optometry. Ensure verifications are sent to the division directly from the governing body.

State or Jurisdiction	License Number	Issue Date	Expiration Date

PART VII DEA Registration and PDMP Acknowledgment



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1. Providers with a DEA registration number valid to use in any state or practice location must register with the PDMP. Do you have a DEA Registration number?

- a. NO, I do not have an active DEA registration number valid to use in any state or practice location. I understand if I obtain a DEA registration number, I must register with the Alaska PDMP within 30 days as required by the board. I will refer to all applicable authorizing statutes, regulations cited above, and comply with mandatory use. (Skip to Part IX)
 - **b. YES**, I have an active DEA registration number valid to use in any state or practice location. I understand I must register with the Alaska PDMP within 30 days of receiving this permit or license, as required by the board, and will comply with mandatory use as required by AS 17.30.200 and 12 AAC 40.967.

I acknowledge I must review a patient's prescription history prior to prescribing or administering a federally scheduled II or III controlled substance.

If I have a change in DEA registration number or status, I also understand I must promptly submit the DEA Registration Status Change Form (#08-4763).

If you're unsure of the DEA issue date, indicate January 1st of the estimated year.

DEA	1	lssue	Expiration	
Registration	1	Date:	Date:	

PART VIII	Opioid	Education				
I have earned at least two hours of education in pain management, opioid use, and addiction; I will provide a Certificate of Completion that confirms at least two hours of credit covering all three areas of the required subject matter: pain management, opioid use, and addiction.						
	I request a waiver of the requirement for two hours of education in pain management, opioid use, and addiction until I apply for a DEA registration number.					
Opioid Course N	ame:		oate Course completed:			
Opioid Course Lo	ocation:					

PART IX Professional Associations

List all optometry memberships.

Name	Location

PART X Professional References

Please list three references. The included form #08-4913b must be completed by the three references who have knowledge of your character and professional abilities. This form must be mailed from the reference directly to the division.					
Reference Name Reference Address Reference Phone Number					
1.					
2.					
3.					

PART XI Practice History

Beginning with your current position, provide a chronological listing of all practice-related activities for the last 5 years. Do not attach a resume; we require the use of this form. If you are a traveler, do not put "various locations." You must report every facility location/city and state where you have practiced. Make copies as necessary.

Clinic Name:				Position Held:	
Clinic Address:	Street		City	State	Zip
Employment Start Date:			Employment End Date:		
Type of Practice:	Self HMO	Group Military	Private	Com	mercial er:

Clinic Name:				Position Held:	
Clinic Address:	Street		City	State	Zip
Employment Start Date:			Employment End Date:		
Type of Practice:	Self HMO	Group Military	Private Federal	Com	nmercial er:

Clinic Name:				Position Held:	
Clinic Address:	Street		City	State	Zip
Employment Start Date:			Employment End Date:		
Type of Practice:	Self HMO	Group Military	Private Federal	Com	mercial er:

PART XI Practice History (continued)

Beginning with your current position, provide a chronological listing of all practice-related activities for the last 5 years. Do not attach a resume; we require the use of this form. If you are a traveler, do not put "various locations." You must report every facility location/city and state where you have practiced. Make copies as necessary.

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Clinic Name:				Position Held:	
Clinic Address:	Street		City	State	Zip
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Employment Start Date:			Employment End Date:		
Type of Practice:	Self HMO	Group Military	PrivateFederal	Com	mercial er:

PART XII Professional Fitness Questions

The following questions must be answered. "Yes" answers may not automatically result in license denial.

For each "yes" response to any question, you must provide an <u>explanation</u> and <u>documentation</u>. Use the letter of explanation form (#08-4752) appended to this application; include full details, dates, locations, type of action, organizations or parties involved, and specific circumstances. A separate letter of explanation form must be provided for each "yes" answer documented below. Documentation includes copies of court orders, charging documents, board, or license actions, etc.

The contents of licensing files are generally considered public records, unless required to be kept confidential by state or federal law.

When in doubt, disclose and explain.

1.	Have you been convicted of a crime or are you currently charged with committing a crime, or is any such action pending? For purposes of this question, "crime" includes a misdemeanor, felony, or a military offense, including (but not limited to) a conviction involving driving under the influence (DUI) or driving while intoxicated (DWI), driving without a license, reckless driving, or driving with a suspended or revoked license. "Convicted" includes having been found guilty by verdict of a judge or jury, having entered a plea of guilty, nolo contendere or no contest, or having been given probation, a suspended imposition of sentence, or a fine.	Yes		No
2.	Have you had a professional license denied, revoked, suspended, or otherwise restricted, conditioned, or limited or have you surrendered a professional license, been fined, placed on probation, reprimanded, disciplined, or entered into a settlement with a licensing authority in connection with a professional license you have held in any jurisdiction including Alaska and including that of any military authorities or is any such action pending?	Yes		No
3.	Are you currently suffering from any condition, mental or physical, that impairs your judgement or that would otherwise adversely affect your ability to practice optometry in a competent, ethical and professional manner?	Yes		No
	If you answered "yes" to question 3, in addition to your persona		•	

"Yes" Answers

If you answered "yes" to question 3, in addition to your personal statement, you must submit a statement from your health care provider indicating your ability to safely practice optometry. Applications submitted without the appropriate attachments will be considered incomplete and will not be processed.

PART XIII Alaska Law

I hereby certify I have reviewed, understand and will abide by the statutes and regulations applicable to my profession (AS 08.72 and 12 AAC 48).





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Notary Signature Page

Applicant Name:		
Alaska License Number (if known):		Application in Process

PART XIV Notarized Signature

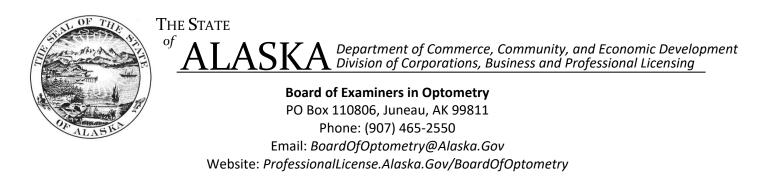
I hereby certify that I am the person herein named and subscribing to this application and that I have read the complete application, and I know the full content thereof. I declare that all of the information contained herein, and evidence or other documents submitted herewith are true and correct.

I understand that any falsification or misrepresentation of any item or response in this application, or any attachment hereto, or falsification or misrepresentation of documents to support this application, is sufficient grounds for denying, revoking, or otherwise disciplining a license or permit to practice in the state of Alaska.

I further understand that it is a Class A misdemeanor under Alaska Statute 11.56.210 to falsify an application and commit the crime of unsworn falsification.

A person who makes a false statement on this application may be subject to civil and criminal penalties, including prosecution for perjury (AS 11.56.200 & AS 11.56.230).

Notary Stamp	Applicant Printed Name:		
	Applicant Signature:		
	Notary Public for State of:	 bscribed and Sworn to fore me on this Day:	
	Notary Signature:	My Commission Expires:	



Authorization for Release of Records

I hereby authorize the Alaska Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing and its investigators to examine my employment, educational records, and records pertaining to litigation, judgments, suits and/or settlements, and any law enforcement records pertaining to me and discuss them with persons having possession of them. I also expressly permit and authorize the release of any and all such records pertaining to me to the Alaska Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing and its investigators.

I authorize the division to discuss these records with persons or organizations that are considered appropriate by the division in connection with an official investigation, and to provide copies of these records to those persons or organizations deemed appropriate by the division.

I request that upon presentation of this release, or a Certified True Copy thereof, that you provide copies of those records to the division and/or its investigators, and/or representatives of the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Alaska.

This authorization is given expressly in connection with the application (initial, renewal, reactivation) for issuance of a license for optometry.

I hereby release you, your organization, the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing and its investigators, and all others directly and/or indirectly involved in this matter from any liability or damage which may result from furnishing the information requested.

This authorization expires one (1) year from the date of my signature below.

Name:	First	Middle		Last
Full Address:	P.O. Box or Street	City	State	Zip
Phone:			Date of Birth:	
Email:				
Signature:			Date Signed:	



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Affidavit of Professional Reference

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License by examination applicants must provide references from THREE (3) individuals not related to the applicant by blood or marriage attesting to the applicant's good moral character and capacity to competently and safely practice optometry.

The reference must be one of the following:

- a) an optometrist currently licensed in this state or another state or territory of the United States or in Canada;
- b) an instructor or official from the applicant's school of optometry;
- c) a supervisor of the applicant through applicant's employment in optometry or in a related field.

\rightarrow	Applicant:	Please complete the identifying information below and forward a copy of this form to the appropriate
-	Applicant.	individuals. Make additional copies of this form, as needed.

Full Legal Name:				
Mailing Address:	P.O. Box or Street	City	State	Zip
Applicant Signature:			Date Signed:	

Please provide the information requested below for the applicant identified in this form and send → Reference: document directly to the Alaska State Board of Examiners in Optometry at the letterhead address. Do NOT return this form to the applicant.

Reference Name:								
Reference Address:	P.O. Box or Street	City	State	Zip				
Reference Phone:		Reference Email:						
Associated with Applicant from Date:		Associated with Applicant to Date:						
My professional relationship	My professional relationship to the applicant is:							
An optometrist currently licensed in the United States or Canada.								
An instructor or official from the applicant's school of optometry.								
A supervisor of the applicant through applicant's employment in optometry or related field.								
1. Please comment on the applicant's qualifications, ability, character, etc.:								

Notary Stamp	Reference Printed Name:			
	Reference Signature:			
	Notary Public for State of:		bed and Sworn to me on this Day:	
	Notary Signature:		My Commission Expires:	

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Letter of Explanation for a Professional Fitness "Yes" Answer

Use this form only to explain and document any professional fitness "yes" answers. A "yes" answer is not necessarily disqualifying but concealing one may be.

Each "yes" answer requires a separate explanation and associated documentation. Submit all relevant documentation with this form, even if you have previously provided it.

- **Explanations** include full details, dates, locations, type of action, organizations or parties involved, and specific circumstances. If the space provided is insufficient, make additional copies as needed.
- Documentation includes copies of court orders, charging documents, board or license actions, decisions against your
 professional certification, satisfaction of consent agreements (fines paid, community service completed, off probation, etc.),
 and fitness to practice letters (statement from your provider that you are safe to practice if you check "yes" to any of the
 questions regarding mental or physical health, or drug or alcohol abuse or addiction).
- **Disciplinary actions** may include, but not be limited to, suspension, surrender, revocation, probation, academic probation, reprimand, censure, restricted license, limited license, conditioned license, or letters of counseling, concern, advice, warning, caution, admonishment, or reprimand.

If you have multiple "yes" answers or multiple incidents for any professional fitness question, you must use a separate copy of this form and provide a full explanation and documentation for each incident.

The contents of licensing files are generally considered public records, unless required to be kept confidential by state or federal law.

Write the professional fitness question number you are answering "yes" to in the box.						
Location of Inci	dent:				Date of Incider	ıt:
Explanation of Incident: When in doubt, disclose and explain. Make copies as necessary.						
Did you attach	all applicable c	locuments associated with	this in	cident?		
Court Ord	urt Orders 🔲 Consent Agreements 🔲 Disciplinary Actions 🔲 Charging Documents					
Court Rec	cords 🔲 Fitness to Practice 🔲 All Other Documentation Related to This Incident					
I have additional incidents for this "yes" answer, or "yes" answers to other Professional Fitness questions and have attached a separate copy of this form for each incident.						
Full Name:					Program:	
Signature:					Date Signed:	





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Credit Card Payment Form

All major credit cards are accepted. For security purposes, <u>do not email</u> credit card information. Include this credit card payment form with your application.

Name of Applic	cant or Licensee:					
Profession Type (e.g., Acupuncture):			License Num	ber <i>(if appli</i>	cable):	
I wish to make payment by credit card		for the following (check all that apply):			AMOUNT	
Application Fee:						
License or Renewal Fee:						
Other (fine, exam, etc.):						
1.						
2.						
				TOTAL:		
Name (as show	Name (as shown on credit card):					

Name (as shown on credit card):		
Mailing Address:		
Phone Number:	Email (Optional):	
Signature of Credit Card Holder:		

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Credit Card Payment Form (all major cards accepted)

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CREDIT CARD INFO: Your payment cannot be processed unless all fields are completed. 1. Credit Card Number: All 3 fields MUST be completed. 2. Expiration Date: All 3 fields MUST be completed. 3. Security Code: This section will be destroyed after the payment is processed.

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