

TITLE 16 OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
CHAPTER 63 SOCIAL WORKERS
PART 6 LICENSURE BY CREDENTIALS; RECIPROCIITY

16.63.6.1 ISSUING AGENCY: Regulation and Licensing Department, Board of Social Work Examiners
P.O. Box 25101, Santa Fe, NM 87504
[9/8/1996; 16.63.6.1 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.6.1, 6/19/2002]

16.63.6.2 SCOPE: All baccalaureate social workers, master social workers, and independent social workers.
[9/8/1996; 16.63.6.2 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.6.2, 6/19/2002]

16.63.6.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: These parts are promulgated pursuant to the Social Work Practice Act, Section 61-31-8A, 14-2-1, 61-31-19 NMSA 1978.
[9/8/1996; 16.63.6.3 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.6.3, 6/19/2002]

16.63.6.4 DURATION: Permanent
[9/8/1996; 16.63.6.4 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.6.4, 6/19/2002]

16.63.6.5 EFFECTIVE DATE: June 22, 1992, unless a different date is cited at the end of a section.
[9/8/1996; 16.63.6.5 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 63.6.5, 6/19/2002]

16.63.6.6 OBJECTIVE: To state the minimum requirements for licensure by credentials.
[9/8/1996; 16.63.6.6 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 63.6.6, 6/19/2002]

16.63.6.7 DEFINITIONS: [Reserved]

16.63.6.8 QUALIFICATION FOR LICENSURE: A person seeking reciprocity in the state of New Mexico shall ~~[meet the minimum requirements necessary for licensure in our state. The board shall have the discretion to license individuals who seek licensure by reciprocity based on their credentials. Applicants for licensure by credentials should possess the following:]~~

A. ~~[a current valid social work license issued by an appropriate examining board under the laws of any other state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia or any sovereign nation at the level of licensure being sought for a minimum of five years]~~ possess a valid social worker license issued by the appropriate examining board under the laws of any other state or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia or any foreign nation, which license has been held for a minimum of two and one-half years;

B. ~~[passing test score from the association of social work boards for licensure level sought]~~ be in good standing with no disciplinary action pending or brought against the applicant within the past two and one-half years;

C. ~~[a baccalaureate degree in social work from a CSWE accredited program, if applying for the LBSW]~~ possess a bachelor's or master's degree in social work from a program of social work accredited by the CSWE;

D. ~~[a master's degree in social work from a CSWE accredited program, if applying for the LMSW or LISW or LCSW]~~ verify that the applicant has taken and passed the ASWB examination;

E. ~~[verification]~~ verify the applicant has completed one of the following:

- (1) a three credit hour course in New Mexico cultures listed on the applicants transcripts;
- (2) a board approved course, workshop or seminar in New Mexico cultures;
- (3) proof of previously passing the New Mexico cultural examination;

F. ~~[have presented to the New Mexico board documentation as required by the New Mexico board that any other license granted to the applicant by any other state has not been suspended, revoked, voluntarily surrendered or otherwise restricted for any reason except non-renewal or for the failure to obtain the required continuing education credits]~~ The applicant will not have to further verify the applicant's experience, schooling or degrees if the criteria pursuant to this section are met;

~~—G.— [proof of passing the jurisprudence examination with a grade of no less than 70%]~~

[1/1/1990, 5/15/1991, 6/22/1992, 5/1/1999; 16.63.6.8 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 63.6.8, 6/19/2002; A, 11/30/2006; A, 1/17/2008; A, 12/31/2008; A, 9/1/2014; [A, xx/xx/2021](#)]

16.63.6.9 APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE: Applicants for licensure by credentials; reciprocity must submit or cause to be submitted the following documentation to the board:

- A.** completed application;
- B.** two (2) personal character references;
- C.** a 2" x 2" photograph of the applicant taken within the preceding six months affixed to the application;
- D.** completed form titled "statement of registration, or certification of licensure in another state", to be submitted directly to the board from the conferring agency;
- E.** test scores from ASWB exam;
- F.** non-refundable license fee as set forth in Part 7 to be assessed at the time of application.
- G.** [proof of any disqualifying criminal convictions as listed in 16.63.13.9 NMAC.](#)

[1/1/1990, 5/15/1991, 6/22 /1992, 5/1/1999; 16.63.6.9 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 63.6.9, 6/19/2002; A, 11/30/2006; A, 1/17/2008; [A, xx/xx/2021](#)]

HISTORY OF 16.63.6 NMAC:

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Rule 6, Licensure by Credentials, 4/5/1991.

Rule 6, Licensure by Credentials, 4/22/1992.

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