**Section 1270.10 Application for Licensure as a Professional Land Surveyor by Acceptance of Examination**

A license applicant shall have satisfied the education requirement as specified in Section 1270.14 or Section 1270.15, acquired the experience required by Section 1270.13 and passed the required examinations in compliance with Section 1270.20 prior to applying to the Division.

a) A license applicant shall satisfy one of the below options when applying:

1) Applicant Enrolled as an Illinois Surveyor Intern

An applicant who is enrolled as an Illinois surveyor intern shall file an application on forms provided by the Division and shall include, in addition to the requirements of Section 10 of the Act, the required fee specified in Section 1270.52 and the following:

A) An official copy of his or her Illinois Surveyor Intern certificate indicating prior Board approval of the baccalaureate degree and passage of the FS exam.

B) Official certification for successful passage of the National Counsel of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) Principles and Practice of Land Surveying Examination and Illinois jurisdictional examination requirement as specified in Section 1270.20.

C) Experience verification forms completed by the supervisor, indicating at least 4 years of responsible charge experience in land surveying as specified in Section 1270.13.

2) Applicant Not Enrolled as an Illinois Surveyor Intern

An applicant not enrolled as an Illinois surveyor intern shall file an application on forms provided by the Division and shall include, in addition to the requirements of Section 10 of the Act, the required fee specified in Section 1270.52 and the following:

A) An official transcript showing conferral date for a degree from an approved program as specified in Section 1270.14 or from a non- approved program as specified in Section 1270.15.

B) Certification of successful passage of the FS, PS and Illinois jurisdictional examinations as specified in Section 1270.20.

C) Experience verification forms completed by the supervisor, indicating at least 4 years of responsible charge experience in land surveying as specified in Section 1270.13.

b) Applicants not enrolled as a surveyor intern in Illinois who apply after January 1, 1997, who graduated from a land surveyor program outside the United States or its territories and whose first language is not English must provide proof of passage of the Test of English as a Foreign Language Internet Based Test (TOEFL-iBT) with a minimum score of 26 on the speaking module and a total minimum integrated score of 88. In order to determine applicants whose first language is English, the applicant shall submit verification from the school that the land surveyor program from which the applicant graduated was taught in English.

c) Applicants not enrolled as a surveyor intern in Illinois who received their education in a foreign country other than Canada shall have the education evaluated on a course-by-course basis at their expense. Applicants may obtain forms from NCEES Credentials Evaluations, 200 Verdae Boulevard, Greenville, SC 29607 to evaluate educational programs. The Board will review all transcripts and the evaluation submitted to the Division to determine if the education meets the requirements set forth in this Section and Section 1270.15.

d) Upon receipt of the application and all supporting documentation in complete order:

1) The applicant’s file will be presented to the Board for evaluation of the required education and experience as specified in this Section. Once the application has been reviewed, an applicant, if otherwise qualified, shall be granted a license to practice professional land surveying in this State.

2) Applicants who are reviewed by the Board and not approved, based on requirements specified in this Section, shall be deferred licensure as an Illinois professional land surveyor until the applicant meets the requirements.

3) If an applicant fails to submit all required items for licensure under the Act within 3 years after filing the application, the application shall expire and be denied. The applicant may, however, make a new application for licensure accompanied by the required fee, and furnish proof of meeting the qualifications for licensure in effect at the time of new application.

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