

**BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, AND GEOLOGISTS**

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In a continued effort to focus on the Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists' primary mission of protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the public, the Board has implemented a new fee structure for applicants and licensees effective as stated below:

Engineers

Effective immediately, and pursuant to Title 16 of California Code of Regulations Section 407, the application, examination, and renewal fees have been revised. Under prior regulation, costs directly associated with examination development and administration were not clearly defined. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 6754 and 6799 (b), the Board has made arrangements with the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) to provide and administer certain national examinations. Consequently, candidates for licensure will be paying NCEES directly for national examinations required for licensure as a Professional Engineer or certification as an Engineer-in-Training in California. The aforementioned laws can be viewed at

http://www.pels.ca.gov/applicants/pels_reg407.pdf

Land Surveyors

Effective immediately, and pursuant to Title 16 of California Code of Regulations Section 407, the application, examination, and renewal fees have been revised. Under prior regulation, costs directly associated with examination development and administration were not clearly defined. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 8754 and 8805(b), the Board has made arrangements with the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) to provide and administer certain national examinations. Consequently, candidates for licensure will be paying NCEES directly for national examinations required for licensure as a Professional Land Surveyor or certification as a Land-Surveyor-in-Training in California. The aforementioned laws can be viewed at

http://www.pels.ca.gov/applicants/pels_reg407.pdf

Geologists and Geophysicists

Effective May 23, 2012, and pursuant to Title 16 of California Code of Regulations Section 3005 and Business and Professions Code Sections 7841(d) and 7887(h), the Professional Geologist examinations fees have been revised. The revisions were made to align those fees paid by the applicants with the actual costs incurred by the Board for the purchase, development, and administration of these examinations. The aforementioned laws can be viewed at

http://www.geology.ca.gov/applicants/geology_reg3005.pdf

More detailed information will be forthcoming over the next several days as Board staff develops answers to any anticipated questions that applicants and licensees may have. Please be patient as we introduce these changes.

3005. Fees.

(a) All fees required by provisions of the code and rules of the board shall be transmitted by money order, bank draft or check, payable to the Department of Consumer Affairs.

(b) The following is the prescribed application fee for:

(1) Licensure as a Professional Geologist or a Professional Geophysicist \$250.00;

(2) Certification as a specialty geologist or specialty geophysicist \$250.00;

(3) The temporary licensure fee as a geologist, geophysicist, specialty geologist, or specialty geophysicist \$80.00.

(c) The following is the prescribed examination fee for:

(1) The Practice of Geology national examination \$250;

(2) The California specific geologist examination \$150;

(3) The Fundamentals of Geology \$150;

(4) Examination for licensure as a geophysicist \$100.00;

(5) Examination for certification as a specialty geologist or specialty geophysicist \$100.00.

(d) The duplicate certificate fee \$6.00.

(e) The following is the prescribed renewal fee for:

(1) Licensure as a geologist or a geophysicist \$270.00;

(2) Certification as a specialty geologist or a specialty geophysicist \$67.50.

(f) The delinquency fee for renewal of licensure as a geologist or geophysicist or certification as a specialty geologist or specialty geophysicist is 50% of the renewal fee in effect on the last regular renewal date.

(g) When transmitted through the mail, fees required under provisions of this rule shall be deemed filed on the date shown by the post office cancellation mark appearing on the envelope containing the fee.