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Qualifications for Registration as a Structural Engineer
In order to qualify for registration as a Professional Structural Engineer in Oregon, an applicant for registration must provide all of the following:
(1) Evidence satisfactory to the Board of active Oregon registration as a Professional Engineer, in good standing.
(2) Evidence satisfactory to the Board of passing or having passed the NCEES 16-hour Structural Examination, or the structural examinations offered during the timeframes as follows:
(a) 1952–2003, the 8-hour Western Region general and 8-hour Western Region in-depth. This examination was also known as the “Western States” or the California 16-hour SE exam;
(b) 1986–October 2005, the 8-hour NCEES general (SE I) and the 8-hour NCEES in-depth (SE II);
(c) 2004–2011, the 8-hour NCEES in-depth (SE II) and:
(A) The 8-hour Washington Structural III; or
(B) The 8-hour California Structural III. This examination was also known as the “California Structural Engineering Seismic Examination (CSESE),” the California Structural Examination 2 (CSE2),” and the “California Structural Engineering Exam.”
(3) Evidence satisfactory to the Board of having obtained two years of structural engineering experience, verified by a registered Structural Engineer in a jurisdiction with NCEES membership.
(4) A single application packet, which must include all of the following:
(a) A completed Registration Application form.
(b) The Board will verify that the Applicant holds active registration as an Oregon professional engineer, in good standing.
(c) Official verification of successful passage of the NCEES 16-hour Structural Examination, Buildings Modules or the structural examinations listed under subsection (2)(a) through (c). This paragraph of subsection (4) of this rule is effective as of June 25, 2015.
NOTE: The 16-hour Structural examinations are written and scored by the NCEES and administered by NCEES Exam Administration Services. Consult NCEES for examination dates, times, locations, cost, and details.
(d) A completed Experience Details form describing active practice in structural engineering, including meaningful work on significant structures.
(e) Five references from individuals with knowledge of the Applicant’s structural engineering work on significant structures:
(A) All five references must attest to the Applicant’s ability, professional experience, or both. All five references must complete the Reference Details form provided by the Board and submit the completed Reference Details form directly to the Applicant, in a closed and sealed envelope, signed across the sealed flap by the reference.
(B) At least three of the five references must hold active Structural Engineer registration in a jurisdiction with NCEES membership.
(C) The Board may, for good cause and upon written application, reduce the number of references required for an Applicant.
(f) For Applicants holding an NCEES Record, in lieu of providing the items listed under (b) to (e) of this subsection, the Applicant may release the Applicant’s NCEES Record, if any, to the Board.

NOTE: See http://ncees.org/records/

(g) For Applicants holding structural registration in another jurisdiction references on file with the Board may be used.

(h) Any and all professional disciplinary records of the Applicant, including but not limited to final orders, letters of reprimand, stipulations, and settlement agreements.

(i) The required application and wall certificate fees.