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RULE TITLE: Procedures for Oregon Jurisprudence Examination

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RULE SUMMARY: These amendments allow the Board to move the jurisprudence exam from an in-person to an online format. It also clarifies the requirements and reorganizes.

#### RULE TEXT:

- (1) Jurisprudence Examination. The purpose of the examination is to measure the candidate's knowledge and application of state laws and regulations related to the professional practice of psychology, including the American Psychological Association's ethical principles incorporated by Board statute and rule.
- (2) Eligibility. An exam candidate must obtain a passing exam score before the Board will issue a license.
  - (a) Candidates for licensure whose education credentials, training and references have been accepted by the Board shall be notified in writing of their eligibility take the jurisprudence examination.
  - (b) A candidate for licensure who was formerly licensed in Oregon must re-take and pass the examination if their application for licensure is received more than 2 years after their license expired.
  - (c) A candidate for licensure must re-take and pass the examination if the candidate does not become licensed within 2 years of passing the exam.
- (3) Eligible candidates prepared to take the jurisprudence examination must pay the examination fee prior to taking the exam. The jurisprudence examination fee is not refundable except in extraordinary circumstances.
- (4) Special Accommodations. Requests for special accommodations for a disability or for English as a second language must be made at the time the written request to sit for the examination is made, or when the disability becomes known to the applicant. The request must include:
  - (a) Disability: Written verification of the disability from a qualified care provider (i.e. a person certified or licensed by the state to provide such services) detailing:
    - (A) Nature, extent and duration of disability; and
    - (B) Recommendation(s) for accommodation.
  - (b) English as a Second Language: Written request for reasonable accommodation detailing:

- (A) Level of proficiency in English including, but not limited to, number of years speaking and/or writing English;
  - (B) History of special accommodations granted in similar testing circumstances;
  - (C) Other information to support request for special accommodation; and
  - (D) Recommendation(s) for accommodation.
- (5) Administration.
- (a) The Board shall determine the questions on each examination and shall determine the passing score.
  - (b) The Board shall make available to exam candidates a Candidate Handbook that includes a copy of the Board's examination rules, procedures, Board requirements related to examination conduct, and current examination study materials.
  - (c) Disqualification. An exam candidate may be disqualified during or after the examination for conduct which affects the integrity of the candidate's performance or the examination. Disqualification will result in denial of the candidate's application.
  - (d) Exam candidates will be notified of their examination result.
- (6) Failure to Pass.
- (a) Review. A candidate who does not pass the examination may review the examination record of incorrect questions and answers at the Board's office within a period of ninety days following the date of the examination and upon written request to the Board. The purpose of the review is to assist the candidate prepare to retake the examination. No more than one review shall be allowed.
  - (b) Reexamination. A candidate who does not pass the examination may be reexamined following a mandatory waiting period of 30 days following each failure to allow the candidate to sufficiently prepare for a reexamination.
  - (c) Study Plan. If a candidate does not pass the second examination and wishes to take a third examination, the candidate must submit a study plan for the Board's review and approval prior to sitting for the third examination.
  - (d) Third Failure. If a candidate fails to pass the third examination, the candidate's application for licensure shall be denied.

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 675.030, 675.040, 675.045, 675.050, 675.065

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