

PROPOSED RULES

**NORTH DAKOTA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE
CHAPTER 45-02-02
LICENSING OF INSURANCE PRODUCERS, SURPLUS LINES INSURANCE
PRODUCERS, AND CONSULTANTS**

Sections 45-02-02-02, 45-02-02-04 and 45-02-02-12 are amended as follows:

45-02-02-02. Applications for licenses.

1. Resident insurance producers' applications.

- a. An application must be completed in accordance with the instruction sheet and submitted either electronically or with a paper filing on a commissioner-approved application form.
- b. An applicant licensed in another state within the preceding ninety days who moves to this state must provide, with the application, proof of clearance from the state in which the insurance producer is currently or was most recently licensed as a resident insurance producer.
- c. An application form is required to add an additional line of insurance.
- d. Every application submitted to the department through either a paper or electronic filing must be accompanied by the appropriate fee made payable to either the commissioner or the commissioner's designee.

2. Nonresident insurance producers' applications.

- a. An application for a nonresident insurance producer's license must comply with subdivisions a, c, and d of subsection 1 and must contain a written designation of the commissioner and the commissioner's successors in office as that insurance producer's true and lawful attorney for purposes of service of process.
- b. An applicant for a nonresident insurance producer's license must have the state, which issued the agent's resident license, supply to the department a certificate showing the lines for which the agent is

licensed and eligible to write in that state. This certification may be submitted by the national association of insurance commissioners' producer data base.

3. **Surplus lines insurance producers' applications.** A surplus lines insurance producer's application must be submitted in accordance with chapter 45-09-01.
4. **Consultants' applications.**
 - a. An application for a consultant's license must be submitted in accordance with the instruction sheet provided by the department and submitted on the appropriate form.
 - b. No person holding a license as an insurance producer or surplus lines insurance producer may obtain and simultaneously hold a license as a consultant. If the applicant holds such licenses at the time of application, the licenses must be ~~terminated~~ canceled prior to obtaining a consultant's license.
5. **Temporary license applications.**
 - a. An application for a temporary insurance producer's license must be submitted in accordance with section 45-02-02-02.
 - b. The application must be accompanied by a written statement of the reasons for requesting the issuance of a temporary license.
 - c. A temporary license will not be granted for the sole reason that the applicant has failed to pass the insurance producers' examinations and desires to be licensed until such time as a passing examination score is obtained.

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45-02-02-04. Specific examination requirements.

1. An applicant applying to conduct insurance in the following lines must pass the following examinations:
 - a. Life and annuity Life and annuity

- b. Accident and health Accident and health
 - c. Property Property
 - d. Casualty Casualty
 - e. Variable life and annuity Life and annuity
2. An applicant applying for a license for title insurance is exempt from any examination requirement but must meet the following qualifications:
 - a. The applicant must be a licensed abstractor or attorney; or
 - b. The applicant must have a minimum of eighty hours of training provided by an insurer licensed in the line of title insurance. A certification by the insurer that the training has been completed must accompany the application.
 3. An applicant for a license to write travel and baggage insurance coverage for trip cancellation, trip interruption, baggage, life, sickness and accident, disability, and personal effects when limited to a specific trip and sold in connection with transportation provided by a common carrier is exempt from examination requirements.
 4. An applicant for a license with the line of authority of surety shall take a pass the casualty examination. Surety coverage is insurance or a bond that covers obligations to pay the debts of or answer for the default of another, including faithlessness in a position of public or private trust, but not including bail bonds.
 5. An applicant for a license to write the following products need only take the reduced examination required for that specific product:
 - a. Bail bonds.
 - b. Credit including credit life, credit disability, credit property, credit unemployment, involuntary unemployment, mortgage life, mortgage guaranty, mortgage disability, guaranteed automobile protection insurance, and any other form of insurance offered in connection with an extension of credit that is limited to partially or wholly extinguishing that credit obligation that the insurance commissioner determines should be designated a form of credit insurance.
 - c. Crop or crop hail. Crop or crop hail insurance is insurance providing protection against damage to crops from unfavorable weather

conditions, fire or lightning, flood, hail, insect infestation, disease or other yield-reducing conditions, or perils provided by the private insurance market, or that is subsidized by the federal crop insurance corporation, including multiperil crop insurance.

- d. Legal expense, including prepaid legal service.
 - e. Personal lines. Personal lines is property and casualty insurance coverage sold to individuals and families for primarily noncommercial purposes.
6. An applicant for a consultant's license shall take and pass the insurance producer's examination for the lines in which the applicant seeks to consult. If an applicant for a consultant's license holds a North Dakota insurance producer's license, the applicant is exempt from the testing requirements for the lines held on the insurance producer's license within twelve months preceding the date on which the consultant application is filed with the commissioner. However, the applicant must ~~terminate~~ cancel the insurance producer's license prior to obtaining a consultant's license.

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45-02-02-12. Administrative ~~terminations~~ cancellations.

- 1. An insurance producer may ~~terminate~~ cancel one's North Dakota insurance license voluntarily and have a letter of clearance issued by filing a written request with the department.
- 2. The insurance producer must return the licenses to the department.
- 3. The insurance producer is responsible for notifying the appointing companies of the ~~termination~~ cancellation.
- 4. A surplus lines insurance producer or consultant may ~~terminate~~ cancel one's license voluntarily and have a letter of clearance issued by the department upon receipt of a written request from the licenseholder.

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