In addition to the requirements below, all applicants must submit a license application and fee.

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| Cosmetologist       | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
|                     |   ○ 1,500 hours in licensed Virginia school; or  
|                     |   ○ 3,000-hour Registered Apprenticeship (DOLI); or  
|                     |   ○ Virginia High School Cosmetology Program; or  
|                     |   ○ Equivalent Out-of-State program* (U.S. Only)  
|                     | • Pass written and practical exam                                                      |
| Barber              | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
|                     |   ○ 1,100 hours in licensed Virginia school; or  
|                     |   ○ 2,000-hour Registered Apprenticeship (DOLI); or  
|                     |   ○ Virginia High School Barber Program; or  
|                     |   ○ Equivalent Out-of-State program* †† (U.S. Only)  
|                     | • Pass written and practical exam                                                      |
| Master Barber       | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
|                     |   ○ 400 hours of master training in licensed Virginia school; or  
|                     |   ○ 1,500 hours of dual training in licensed Virginia school; or  
|                     |   ○ Virginia High School Barber Program; or  
|                     |   ○ Equivalent Out-of-State program* †† (U.S. Only)  
|                     | • Pass written and practical exam                                                      |
| Nail Technician     | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
|                     |   ○ 150 hours in licensed Virginia school; or  
|                     |   ○ 2,000-hour Registered Apprenticeship (DOLI); or  
|                     |   ○ Virginia High School Nail Tech Program; or  
|                     |   ○ Equivalent Out-of-State program* (U.S. Only)  
|                     | • Pass written and practical exam                                                      |
| Wax Technician      | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
|                     |   ○ 115 hours in licensed Virginia school; or  
|                     |   ○ Equivalent Out-of-State program* (U.S. Only)  
|                     | • Pass written and practical exam                                                      |
| Esthetician         | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
|                     |   ○ 600 hours in licensed Virginia school; or  
|                     |   ○ 2,000-hour Registered Apprenticeship (DOLI); or  
|                     |   ○ Equivalent Out-of-State program*  
|                     | • Pass written and practical exam                                                      |
| Master Esthetician  | • Virginia Esthetician License  
|                     | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
|                     |   ○ 600 hours of master training in licensed Virginia school; or  
|                     |   ○ 2,000-hour Registered Apprenticeship (DOLI); or  
|                     |   ○ Equivalent Out-of-State program*  
|                     | • Pass written and practical exam                                                      |
| Tattooer | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
  o 750 hours in **licensed Virginia school**; or  
  o 1,500 hour Licensed Apprenticeship (DPOR); or  
  o For Out-of-State applicants (U.S. Only):  
    ▪ Equivalent Out-of-State program* or 3 years legal tattooing experience out of last 5 years, **AND**  
    ▪ Approved bloodborne pathogen, CPR, and First Aid (see **approved providers guidance document**)  
  • Pass written exam |
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| Permanent Cosmetic Tattooer | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
  o 90 hours in **licensed Virginia school**; or  
  o For Out-of-State applicants (U.S. Only):  
    ▪ Equivalent Out-of-State program* or 3 years legal tattooing experience out of last 5 years, **AND**  
    ▪ Approved bloodborne pathogen, CPR, and First Aid (see **approved providers guidance document**)  
  • Pass written exam |
| Master Permanent Cosmetic Tattooer | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
  o Training must include cheek blush, eye shadow, breast and scar re-pigmentation or camouflage (U.S. Only)  
  • Pass written exam |
| Body-Piercer | • Completion of an Approved Training Program  
  o 1,500-hour Licensed Apprenticeship (DPOR)  
  o For Out-of-State applicants (U.S. Only):  
    ▪ Equivalent Out-of-State program* or 3 years legal tattooing experience out of last 5 years, **AND**  
    ▪ Approved bloodborne pathogen, CPR, and First Aid (see **approved providers guidance document**)  
  • Pass written exam |
| Ear-Only Body-Piercer | • Training on a mechanized, pre-sterilized ear-piercing system that penetrates the outer perimeter and/or lobe of the ear and aftercare of piercing  
  • Approved bloodborne pathogen, CPR, and First Aid (see **approved providers guidance document**) |

**ATTENTION**: Out-of-State Applicants

If your training consisted of the **same or more hours** than the Virginia requirement, you must submit documentation of your training (see **Training & Experience Verification Form**).

If your hours were **less than** Virginia’s requirement, then you must submit proof of 6 months’ work experience along with your training documentation (see **Training & Experience Verification Form**).

**†† Out-of-State Barber/Master Barber Applicants**

If your barber training and scope of practice included chemical texture services, please contact the Board directly to determine whether you qualify for the master barber license.