



OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY COSMETOLOGY WRITTEN EXAMINATION INFORMATION

EXAMINATIONS BY PSI SERVICES LLC

The Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology has contracted with PSI to provide examination services. The Department, through PSI, will exclusively use the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC) examinations.

Questions regarding licensure requirements should be directed to the Board at:

Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology 2401 NW 23rd, Suite 84 Shepherd Mall Oklahoma City, OK 73107 Phone: 405.521.2441 http://www.ok.gov/cosmo/

You may schedule your appointment without prior approval from the Board. The Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering requires an Exam Registration fee every time you test.

PAYMENT AND SCHEDULING PROCEDURES

Once approved by the Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology, you are responsible for contacting PSI to schedule an appointment to take the examination. PSI will make every effort to schedule the examination site and time that is most convenient for you.

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Examination Fee

NOTE: EXAMINATION FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE OR TRANSFERABLE. THE EXAMINATION FEE IS VALID FOR ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF PAYMENT.

- ✓ The fee is for each examination, whether you are taking the examination for the first time or repeating.
- ✓ Exam fees are paid directly to PSI; do not send exam fees to the Board.
- ✓ The Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering requires an Exam Registration fee every time you test.

ONLINE (https://test-takers.psiexams.com/okcos)

For the fastest and most convenient examination scheduling process, register for your examinations online by accessing PSI's registration Website: <u>Click Here</u> or on the email confirmation you received from PSI.

1. Select **TESTS** to create an account.



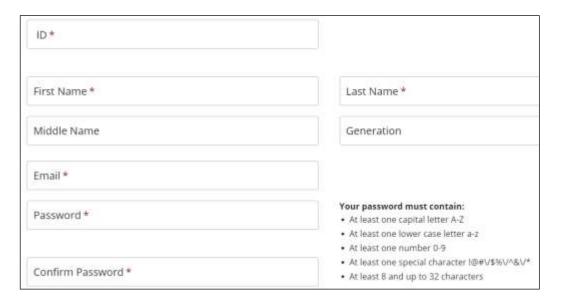
2. Select the examination and you are ready to create an account. Select LOGIN/REGISTER.

To continue the booking process and schedule your test, you must login or create an account,

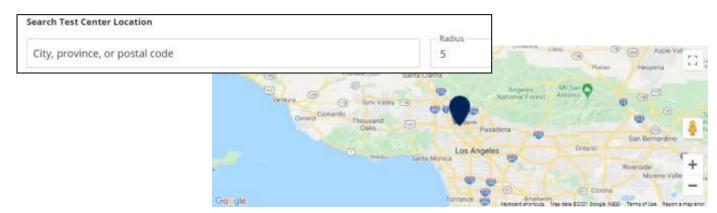
LOGIN/REGISTER

3. You will be prompted to **CREATE AN ACCOUNT** with PSI.

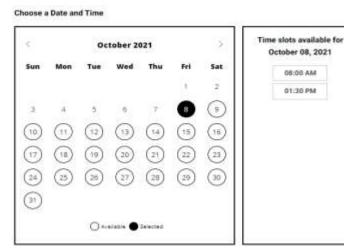
The first and last name must match exactly with your current, valid, government-issued ID.



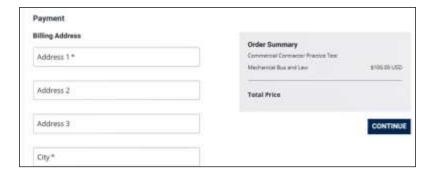
4. Enter the "City or Postal Code" and select FIND.



5. Select a date and time to book an appointment.



6. You are now ready to pay.



7. Once payment has been made you will receive a message confirming the test center, booked date, and booked time.



TELEPHONE

Call (855) 746-8173, PSI registrars are available to receive payment and to schedule your appointment for the examination.

To register by phone, you need a valid credit card (VISA, MasterCard, American Express or Discover). PSI registrars are available Monday through Friday between 6:00 am and 7:00 pm, and Saturday-Sunday between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Central Time.

RESCHEDULING/CANCELING AN EXAMINATION APPOINTMENT

You may cancel and reschedule an examination appointment without forfeiting your fee if your cancellation notice is received 2 days before the scheduled examination date. For example, for a Monday appointment, the cancellation notice would need to be received on the previous Saturday. You may reschedule online at https://test-takers.psiexams.com/necos or call PSI at (855) 746-8173.

Note: A voice mail message is not an acceptable form of cancellation. Please use the PSI Website or call PSI and speak directly to a Customer Service Representative

RETAKING A FAILED EXAMINATION

It is not possible to make a new examination appointment on the same day you have taken an examination; this is due to processing and reporting results. A candidate who tests unsuccessfully on a Wednesday can call the next day, Thursday, and retest as soon as Friday, depending upon space availability. If you fail, you may test on an unlimited basis until you pass.

MISSED APPOINTMENT OR LATE CANCELLATION

If you miss your appointment, you will not be able to take the examination as scheduled, further you will forfeit your examination fee, if you:

- Do not cancel your appointment 2 days before the scheduled examination date;
- Do not appear for your examination appointment;
- Arrive after examination start time;
- Do not present proper identification when you arrive for the examination.

EXAMINATION SITE CLOSING FOR AN EMERGENCY

In the event that severe weather or another emergency forces the closure of an examination site on a scheduled examination date, your examination will be rescheduled. PSI personnel will attempt to contact you in this situation via telephone and email. However, you may check the status of your examination on PSI's website at https://test-takers.psiexams.com/necos or by calling (855) 746-8173. Every effort will be made to reschedule your examination at a convenient time as soon as possible. You will not be penalized. You will be rescheduled at no additional charge.

EXAMINATION SITE LOCATIONS

The Licensing examinations are administered at the examination center listed below:

McAlester

21 East Carl Albert Parkway McAlester, OK 74501 From S. Main St., turn right onto US 270 East. Go 1/2 block. End at 21 E. Carl Albert Parkway (Highway 270).

Oklahoma City

3800 N Classen Blvd, Ste C-20 Oklahoma City, OK 73118

Take I-235 to I-44. Take the Classen Blvd exit. Turn left on Classen. The office is located in a white building on the East side of Classen.

Ponca City

Pioneer Technology Center 2101 N. Ash Ponca City, OK 74601

Take US-60 to S Waverly Street. Turn right onto W. Harford Ave, then left onto N Ash St.

Tulsa

2816 East 51St Street, Suite 101

Tulsa, OK 74105

From I-44 East, exit number 228 (Harvard), stay to the right which will be westbound on 51st St. 1/4 mi on the left is the office building. There are 3 office buildings in a row, PSI is in the middle building.

From I-44 West, exit at Lewis, and go left on Lewis. Go over the overpass and turn Left on 51st St. Go 1/2 mile and the 3three-story-office building are in a row on the South side of 51st St. PSI is in the middle building

Woodward

1915 Oklahoma Ave, Suite 3

Woodward, OK 73801

From Highway 270, go west at the intersection of 9th and Oklahoma Avenue. Go west 10 blocks to 19th Street. The building is on the south side of Oklahoma Avenue, across from the Sonic Drive-In.

Additionally, PSI has examination centers in many other regions across the United States. You may take the written examination at any of these locations by calling (855) 746-8173. You will need to speak with a Customer Service Rep to schedule outside of the state.

REPORTING TO THE EXAMINATION SITE

On the day of the examination, you should arrive 30 minutes before your appointment. This extra time is for sign-in, identification, and familiarizing you with the examination process. If you arrive late, you may not be admitted to the examination site and you will forfeit your examination registration fee.

REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION

Candidates need to provide one (1) form of identification.

Candidates must register for the exam with their LEGAL first and last name as it appears on their government issued identification. The required identification below must match the first and last name under which the candidate is registered. Candidates are required to bring one (1) form of a valid (non-expired) signature bearing identification to the test site.

REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION (with photo) - Choose One

- State issued driver's license
- State issued identification card
- US Government Issued Passport
- US Government Issued Military Identification Card
- US Government Issued Alien Registration Card

SECURITY PROCEDURES

The following security procedures apply during examinations:

- Candidates may only take approved items into the examination room.
- All personal belongings of candidates should be placed in the secure storage provided at each site prior to entering the examination room. Personal belongings include, but are not limited to, the following items:
 - Electronic devices of any type, including cellular / mobile phones, recording devices, electronic watches, cameras, pagers, laptop computers, tablet computers (e.g., iPads), music players (e.g., iPods), smart watches, radios, or electronic games.
 - Bulky or loose clothing or coats that could be used to conceal recording devices or notes. For security purposes outerwear such as, but not limited to: open sweaters, cardigans, shawls, scarves, hoodies, vests, jackets and coats are not permitted in the testing room. In the event you are asked to remove the outerwear, appropriate attire, such as a shirt or blouse should be worn underneath.
 - Hats or headgear not worn for religious reasons or as religious apparel, including hats, baseball caps, or visors.
 - Other personal items, including purses, notebooks, reference or reading material, briefcases, backpacks, wallets, pens, pencils, other writing devices, food, drinks, and good luck items.
- Although secure storage for personal items is provided at the examination site for your convenience, PSI is not responsible for any damage, loss, or theft of any personal belongings or prohibited items brought to, stored at, or left behind at the examination site. PSI assumes no duty of care with respect to such items and makes no representation that the secure storage provided will be effective in protecting such items. If you leave any items at the examination site after your examination and do not claim them within 30 days, they will be disposed of or donated, at PSI's sole discretion.
- Person(s) accompanying an examination candidate may not wait in the examination center, inside the building or on the building's property. This applies to guests of any nature, including drivers, children, friends, family, colleagues or instructors.
- No smoking, eating, or drinking is allowed in the examination center.

- During the check in process, all candidates will be asked if they possess any prohibited items. Candidates may also be asked to empty their pockets and turn them out for the proctor to ensure they are empty.
 - The proctor may also ask candidates to lift up the ends of their sleeves and the bottoms of their pant legs to ensure that notes or recording devices are not being hidden there.
- Proctors will also carefully inspect eyeglass frames, tie tacks, or any other apparel that could be used to harbor a recording device. Proctors will ask to inspect any such items in candidates' pockets.
- If prohibited items are found during check-in, candidates shall put them in the provided secure storage or return these items to their vehicle. PSI will not be responsible for the security of any personal belongings or prohibited items.
- Any candidate possessing prohibited items in the examination room shall immediately have his or her test results invalidated, and PSI shall notify the examination sponsor of the occurrence.
- Any candidate seen giving or receiving assistance on an examination, found with unauthorized materials, or who violates any security regulations will be asked to surrender all examination materials and to leave the examination center. All such instances will be reported to the examination sponsor.
- Copying or communicating examination content is violation of a candidate's contract with PSI, and federal and state law. Either may result in the disqualification of examination results and may lead to legal action.
- Once candidates have been seated and the examination begins, they may leave the examination room only to use the restroom, and only after obtaining permission from the proctor. Candidate will not receive extra time to complete the examination.

TAKING THE EXAMINATION BY COMPUTER

The examination will be administered via computer. You will be using a mouse and computer keyboard.

TUTORIAL

Before you start your examination, an introductory tutorial is provided on the computer screen. The time you spend on this tutorial, up to 15 minutes, DOES NOT count as part of your examination time. Sample questions are included following the tutorial so that you may practice answering questions and reviewing your answers.

TEST QUESTION SCREEN

One question appears on the screen at a time. During the examination, minutes remaining will be displayed at the top of the screen and updated as you record your answers.

IMPORTANT: After you have entered your responses, you will later be able to return to any question(s) and change your response, provided the examination time has not run out.

EXAMINATION REVIEW

The Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology is utilizing the NIC examinations. NIC conducts ongoing analysis and review of their examinations to ensure the examinations accurately measure minimal competency in the required knowledge area.

SCORE REPORTING

Your score will be given to you immediately following completion of the examination. This is an unofficial score report that will be printed at the examination site

You may request a duplicate score report after your examination by emailing scorereport@psionline.com.

PRETEST ITEMS

In addition to the number of examination items specified in the "Examination Content Outlines", a small number (5 to 10) of "pretest" questions may be administered to candidates during the examinations. These questions will not be scored and the time taken to answer them will not count against examination time. The administration of such unscored, experimental questions is an essential step in developing future licensing examinations.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION

The National Cosmetology examination is the national licensure examination for Cosmetology, which is developed and administered by the National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC). For more information on the examination content outlines and references go to www.nictesting.org.