**Massachusetts**

| Initial Licensure Requirements | CDCA, CITA, CRDTS, SRTA, WREB  
|                              | Plus CDCA Diagnostic Skills Exam |
| License by Credential:  
Clinical experience requirements (years and/or hours) | Proof satisfactory to the Board of a minimum of five years of practice in dentistry or dental education immediately preceding the application for licensure by credentials. Applicants may include: private practice; the practice of dentistry in the armed forces; federal, state, and municipal programs; and intern and residency programs as part of the five year dental practice requirement |
| Other License by Credential Requirements | Regulation 4.04: Initial Dentist Licensure by Credentials  
The Board may grant a license by credentials, without further professional examination, to a dentist currently licensed in another jurisdiction, provided the applicant is of good moral character, has met all of the eligibility requirements, and has submitted the following information and documentation to the Board:  
(1) An accurate, complete and signed application on forms specified by the Board for that purpose;  
(2) Payment of a non-refundable licensing and application fee as determined by the Executive Office of Administration and Finance;  
(3) An original transcript with the college seal indicating the degree granted and the date of issue from a CODA-accredited dental school or any successor accrediting agency approved by the Board, or a letter including the college's seal which is signed by the appropriate authority and attests to the applicant's degree and date of graduation;  
(4) A physician's statement that is the result of an examination, conducted within six months of the date of application, attesting to the health of the applicant and to any impairments which may affect the ability of the applicant to practice dentistry;  
(5) Proof satisfactory to the Board of a minimum of five years of practice in dentistry or dental education immediately preceding the application for licensure by credentials. Applicants may include: private practice; the practice of dentistry in the armed forces; federal, state, and municipal programs; and intern and residency programs as part of the five year dental practice requirement;  
(6) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant is currently licensed and in good standing in another jurisdiction based on successful completion of an examination approved by the Board;  
(7) Documentation of a passing score on each of the following exams:  
(a) Parts I and II of the American Dental Association National Board Examination;  
(b) The Northeast Regional Board (NERB) or other state or regional examination approved by the Board; and  
(c) Massachusetts Dental Ethics and Jurisprudence Examination or any successor examination;  
(8) Certified letters of standing from all jurisdictions in which the applicant has ever been issued a license to practice dentistry attesting to the standing of his or her license, including report of any past or pending disciplinary action, or any pending complaints against the applicant;  
(9) Letters of endorsement from two licensed dentists who are in good standing and familiar with the applicant and his or her practice of dentistry which attest to the applicant's professional competency and good moral character;  

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<td>Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, § 45A, the Board may grant a limited license for a dentist to serve as a full-time member of a dental college faculty or as a limited license dental intern in a hospital or other institution maintained by the state, a county or municipality, or hospital or dental infirmary incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth, provided that the applicant is of good moral character, has met all of the eligibility requirements, and has submitted the following information and documentation to the Board: (1) An accurate, complete, and signed application as specified by the Board for that purpose; (2) Payment of a non-refundable licensing and application fee as determined by the Executive Office of Administration and Finance; (3) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant has received a diploma in dentistry from the faculty of a reputable dental college as defined in M.G.L. c. 112, § 46: (a) Graduates of a dental program accredited by CODA or any successor accrediting agency approved by the Board shall submit an original transcript with the college seal indicating the degree granted and the date of issue from a CODA-accredited dental school or any successor accrediting agency approved by the Board, or a letter including the college's seal which is signed by the appropriate authority and attests to the applicant’s degree and date of graduation. (b) Graduates of non-CODA or foreign dental programs shall submit an original transcript, with college seal that indicates the date of issuance of a dental diploma from a reputable dental college. If the transcript is not in English, the applicant shall provide a certified translated copy of the original dental college transcript demonstrating the applicant received a dental degree from a reputable dental college. (4) Proof satisfactory to the Board of employment as full-time faculty in a dental school accredited by CODA or as a dental intern in a hospital or other institution maintained by the state, a county or municipality, or hospital or dental infirmary incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth. (a) A full-time member of faculty shall submit an original letter with the college seal that confirms the applicant's status and dates of appointment as a full-time faculty member. The application for licensure shall also include the printed name, signature and license number of the applicant's supervising dentist, who shall hold a valid license issued by the Board pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, § 45 and be in good standing with the Board. (b) A dental intern employed by a hospital or other institution maintained by the state, county or municipality, or hospital or dental infirmary incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth shall submit an application for licensure that indicates the applicant’s place(s) of employment and date of appointment. The application shall also include the...</td>
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printed name, signature and license number of the applicant’s supervising dentist, who shall hold a valid license issued by the Board pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, § 45 and be in good standing with the Board. (5) Documentation of successful completion of continuing education in the following areas of study or a signed attestation from the applicant which confirms that he or she will, within one year of initial licensure, successfully complete the following in accordance with 234 CMR 8.00: Continuing Education: (a) A minimum of three CEU’s in CDC Guidelines (234 CMR 2.00: Purpose, Authority, Definitions); (b) A minimum of three CEU’s in OSHA Standards at 29 CFR; (c) A minimum of six CEU’s in treatment planning and diagnosis; (d) A minimum of three CEU’s in record-keeping; (e) A minimum of two CEU’s in risk management; and (f) A minimum of three CEU’s in pharmacology, with emphasis on prescription writing; or 10/10/14 234 CMR - 24 234 CMR: BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN DENTISTRY 4.05: continued (g) Evidence of enrollment in a CODA-accredited dental school that includes the areas of study included in 234 CMR 4.05(5)(a) through (f). (6) Documentation demonstrating current certification in American Red Cross Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation/Automated External Defibrillation for the Professional Rescuer (CPR/AED) or current certification in the American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers (BLS); (7) If the applicant has graduated from a dental school where the language of written or oral instruction (including textbooks) or both, is in a language other than English, the applicant shall submit documentation satisfactory to the Board that the applicant has achieved a minimum score, as specified by the Board, on a Board-designated test of English proficiency; (8) A physician’s statement that is the result of an examination, conducted within six months of the date of application, attesting to the health of the applicant and reporting impairments which may affect the applicant’s ability to practice dentistry; (9) Certified letters of standing from all jurisdictions in which the applicant has ever been issued a license to practice dentistry attesting to the standing of his or her license, including report of any past or pending disciplinary action, or any pending complaints against the applicant; (10) A practice history; (11) An original report from the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) Self-query; (12) A statement disclosing any disciplinary action, civil and/or criminal action taken against the applicant at any time prior to the date of application, with supporting documentation as may be required by the Board; (13) Proof satisfactory to the Board of good moral character; (14) Documentation of successful completion of the Massachusetts Dental Ethics and Jurisprudence Examination or any successor examination; (15) A passport-size photograph in color; and (16) An attestation, signed under pains and penalties of perjury, that the applicant has complied with all state tax laws pursuant to M.G.L. c. 62C, § 49A and child support laws pursuant to M.G.L. c. 119A, § 16(a). 4.06: Renewal of Limited License Full-time Faculty License and Limited License Dental Intern License (1) Full-time Faculty. A licensee who has been initially issued a limited full-time faculty license by the Board pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, § 45A may apply to the Board annually to renew his or her limited license by submitting the application, fees, documents and information required by the Board including the applicant’s compliance with 234 CMR 8.02(2). (2) Limited License Dental Intern. A licensee who has been initially issued a limited dental intern license by the Board pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, § 45A may apply to the Board annually to renew his or her limited license(s) for a maximum of five one-year periods, except that said licensee may, upon permission of the Board, take the NERB Clinical Exam in Dentistry (CED) or successor examination required by the Board. A limited license dental intern who successfully completes and passes the NERB/CED may thereafter apply to the Board annually to renew his or her license to practice dentistry in the Commonwealth in settings specified in M.G.L. c. 112, § 45A and in compliance with 234 CMR 8.02(2). (3) An individual who holds a license to practice
dentistry pursuant to M. G. L. c. 112, § 45A on or before August 20, 2010 shall be exempt from demonstrating proficiency in English (See 234 CMR 4.05(7))