| **Vermont** |
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| **Initial Licensure Requirements** | CDCA, CITA, CRDTS, SRTA, WREB |
| **Dental School(s) and Exam Administration Dates** | None |
| **License by Credential: Clinical experience requirements (years and/or hours)** | Initial licensure w/ PGY-1 from another state, or currently licensed to practice dentistry in any jurisdiction of the United States or Canada whose licensing requirements are deemed by the Board to be not substantially equivalent to those of this state: practice full time of at least 1,200 hours per year for a minimum of five years immediately preceding this application |
| **Other License by Credential Requirements** | Statute § 602. License by endorsement (a) The board may grant a license to practice dentistry to an applicant who is a graduate of a dental college accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association and who: (1) is currently licensed in good standing to practice dentistry in any jurisdiction of the United States or Canada which has licensing requirements deemed by the board to be substantially equivalent to those of this state; (2) has successfully completed an approved emergency office procedures course; (3) has successfully completed the dentist jurisprudence examination; and (4) has met active practice requirements and any other requirements established by the board by rule. (b) The board may grant a license to an applicant who is a graduate of a dental college accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association and who is licensed and in good standing to practice dentistry in a jurisdiction of the United States or Canada which has licensing requirements deemed by the board to be not substantially equivalent to those of this state if: (1) the board has determined that the applicant's practice experience or education overcomes any lesser licensing requirement of the other jurisdiction in which the applicant is licensed; and (2) the applicant: (A) has been in full-time licensed practice of at least 1,200 hours per year for a minimum of five years preceding the application; (B) is in good standing in all jurisdictions in which licensed; (C) has successfully completed an approved emergency office procedures course; (D) has successfully completed the dentist jurisprudence examination; and (E) has met active practice requirements and any other requirements established by the board by rule. (Added 2011, No. 116 (Adj. Sess.), § 13.) |
Rule 4.1  How to Obtain a License as a Dentist

(a) Qualifications for licensure as a dentist are set forth by 26 V.S.A. Chapter 13 §§ 801 through 805. 26 V.S.A. § 804 gives the Board authority to promulgate rules relating to 1) the qualifications of applicants; 2) conducting the examinations; and 3) granting licenses.

(b) Applications for a dental license may be obtained from the Office or online at http://vtprofessionals.org/. An applicant shall submit a fully completed application form with all supporting documentation and the fee to the Office.

(c) An applicant may obtain a license as a dentist through one of the following three paths: examination, credentials (also referred to as “endorsement”), or licensed practice experience.

d) Regardless of route to licensure, each applicant shall:

1) have graduated from a school of dentistry or dental college accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association (CODA) or, if the applicant has completed a program of dental education in an unregistered and unaccredited foreign dental school, evidence of successful completion of a minimum of one year of study in a school of dentistry accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, resulting in the awarding of a dental degree (D.D.S. or D.M.D.) by that institution;

2) be at least 18 years of age and not in violation of these rules or statutes governing the profession;

4.4  Previously Licensed, but Who Do Not Meet Active Practice Requirements

If the applicant meets all the requirements for licensure but has not actively practiced dentistry for five years or more, the applicant must:

a) successfully complete a clinical course approved by the Board which will assure competence to reenter dental practice. A course taken to satisfy this rule must be one offered by a CODA accredited dental school, or;

b) successfully complete the NERB, or the written portion of NERB and CRDTS, SRTA, WREB, or other examination as in Rule 4.3 immediately preceding the filing of the application.

c) successfully complete the Vermont dental statutes and rules examination. The examination questions are available from the Office or online at http://vtprofessionals.org/.

4.5  Licensure by Endorsement

(a) The Board may issue a license to an applicant who meets the requirements of Rule 4.1(d) and:

1) is currently licensed to practice dentistry in any jurisdiction of the United States or Canada whose licensing requirements are deemed by the Board to be substantially equivalent to those of this state and;

2) is in good standing as verified to the Board by the licensing authority of that jurisdiction, and;

3) has been in active practice and;

4) has passed an examination administered by the Board testing the applicant’s knowledge of Vermont laws and rules of the profession; and

5) has completed the emergency office procedure training as described in Rule 2.1(m).

(b) For purposes of determining active practice the Board may include periods of:

1) dental practice within the military service,

2) teaching in an accredited dental school,

3) accredited dental residency programs, and

The ADA attempts to keep this information current based on information from state dental boards, clinical testing agencies and state dental associations. Individuals seeking dental licensure are strongly urged to consult with the state board of dentistry and their professional advisors for current dental licensure information.
(4) residency programs in American Dental Association recognized board specialties may be considered.

4.6 PGY Licensed Experience: Endorsement, 5 Year Rule
The Board may grant a license to a person licensed in a jurisdiction of the United States or Canada who obtained licensure through a CODA approved PGY1 residency program, rather than passing the examination required in Rule 4.3, if the Board in its discretion, determines:
(a) that the applicant has been in practice full time of at least 1,200 hours per year for a minimum of five years, and is in good standing in all jurisdictions in which licensed;
(b) that the applicant’s practice experience or education overcomes any lesser licensing requirement of that other jurisdiction; and
(c) that the applicant has successfully completed the Vermont dental statutes and rules examination. The examination questions are available from the Office or online at http://vtprofessionals.org/, and;
(d) met the requirements of 4.1(d).

4.7 Licensure by Licensed Experience, 5 Year Rule
(a) The Board may issue a license to an applicant who is currently licensed to practice dentistry in any jurisdiction of the United States or Canada whose licensing requirements are deemed by the Board to be not substantially equivalent to those of this state if:
(1) the applicant meets the requirements of Rule 4.1(d);
(2) the applicant is in good standing as verified to the Board by the licensing authorities of all jurisdictions in which licensed;
(3) the applicant has been in practice full time of at least 1,200 hours per year for a minimum of five years before the application, and;
(4) the Board in its discretion determines that the applicant’s practice experience or education overcomes any lesser licensing requirement(s) of that other jurisdiction, and;
(5) the applicant has successfully completed the Vermont dental statutes and rules examination. The examination questions are available from the Office or online at http://vtprofessionals.org.
(b) For purposes of determining active practice the Board may include periods of:
(1) dental practice within the military service,
(2) teaching in an accredited dental school,
(3) accredited dental residency programs, and
(4) residency programs in American Dental Association recognized board specialties may be considered.