**Virginia**

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<td>Other License by Credential Requirements</td>
<td>A. No person shall practice dentistry unless he possesses a current valid license from the Board of Dentistry.</td>
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<td>B. An application for such license shall be made to the Board in writing and shall be accompanied by satisfactory proof that the applicant (i) is of good moral character; (ii) is a graduate of an accredited dental school or college, or dental department of a university or college; (iii) has passed all parts of the examination given by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations; (iv) has successfully completed a clinical examination acceptable to the Board; and (v) has met other qualifications as determined in regulations promulgated by the Board.</td>
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<td>C. The Board may grant a license to practice dentistry to an applicant licensed to practice in another jurisdiction if he (i) meets the requirements of subsection B; (ii) holds a current, unrestricted license to practice dentistry in another jurisdiction in the United States and is certified to be in good standing by each jurisdiction in which he currently holds or has held a license; (iii) has not committed any act that would constitute grounds for denial as set forth in § 54.1-2706; and (iv) has been in continuous clinical practice for five out of the six years immediately preceding application for licensure pursuant to this section. Active patient care in the dental corps of the United States Armed Forces, volunteer practice in a public health clinic, or practice in an intern or residency program may be accepted by the Board to satisfy this requirement.</td>
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<td>D. The Board shall provide for an inactive license for those dentists who hold a current, unrestricted dental license in the Commonwealth at the time of application for an inactive license and who do not wish to practice in Virginia. The Board shall promulgate such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, including requirements for remedial education to activate a license.</td>
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<td>E. The Board shall promulgate regulations requiring continuing education for any dental license renewal or reinstatement. The Board may grant extensions or exemptions from these continuing education requirements.</td>
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**Regulation 18VAC60-21-210. Qualifications for an unrestricted license.**

A. Dental licensure by examination.

1. All applicants for licensure by examination shall have:
   a. Successfully completed all parts of the National Board Dental Examination given by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations; and
   b. Passed a dental clinical competency examination that is accepted by the board.

2. If a candidate has failed any section of a clinical competency examination three times, the candidate shall complete a minimum of 14 hours of additional clinical training in each
section of the examination to be retested in order to be approved by the board to sit for
the examination a fourth time.
3. Applicants who successfully completed a clinical competency examination five or more
years prior to the date of receipt of their applications for licensure by this board may be
required to retake an examination or take continuing education that meets the
requirements of 18VAC60-21-250 unless they demonstrate that they have maintained
clinical, ethical, and legal practice in another jurisdiction of the United States or in federal
civil or military service for 48 of the past 60 months immediately prior to submission of an
application for licensure.
B. Dental licensure by credentials. All applicants for licensure by credentials shall:
1. Have passed all parts of the National Board Dental Examination given by the Joint
Commission on National Dental Examinations;
2. Have successfully completed a clinical competency examination acceptable to the
board;
3. Hold a current, unrestricted license to practice dentistry in another jurisdiction of the
United States and be certified to be in good standing by each jurisdiction in which a
license is currently held or has been held; and
4. Have been in continuous clinical practice in another jurisdiction of the United States or
in federal civil or military service for five out of the six years immediately preceding
application for licensure pursuant to this section. Active patient care in another
jurisdiction of the United States (i) as a volunteer in a public health clinic, (ii) as an intern,
or (iii) in a residency program may be accepted by the board to satisfy this requirement.
One year of clinical practice shall consist of a minimum of 600 hours of practice in a
calendar year as attested by the applicant.

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.