Initial Licensure Examination Requirements	**American Board of Dental Examiners (ADEX, CDCA-WREB-CITA), CRDTS+SRTA** + diagnostics component of clinical test of CDCA or CITA, **PGY-1** from a program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation Source: Connecticut Dentist Licensure Requirements Web Site
General Licensure Requirements	**Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 379 Dentistry** **Sec. 20-107. Application for license. Graduates of foreign dental schools** (a) Each application for a license to practice dentistry shall be submitted by the applicant and no license shall be issued to any person unless he or she presents (1) a diploma or other certificate of graduation conferring a dental degree from a dental college or from a department of dentistry of a medical college accredited by the American Dental Association's Commission on Dental Accreditation or its successor organization; (2) evidence of satisfactory completion of a written examination or examinations given by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations, subject to such conditions as the State Dental Commission as described in section 20-103a, with the consent of the Commissioner of Public Health, may prescribe; and (3) evidence of satisfactory completion of at least one year of a clinically based postdoctoral general practice or specialty dental residency program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation, or its successor organization. (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the department may issue a license to practice dentistry to any applicant holding a diploma from a foreign dental school, provided the applicant: (1) Is a graduate of a dental school located outside the United States and has received the degree of doctor of dental medicine or surgery, or its equivalent; (2) passed the written and practical examination or examinations required in subsection (a) of this section or section 20-108; (3) successfully completed not less than two years of graduate dental training as a resident dentist in a program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation; and (4) successfully completed, at a level greater than the second postgraduate year, not less than three years of a residency or fellowship training program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation in a school of dentistry in this state, or has served as a full-time faculty member of a school of dentistry in this state pursuant to the provisions of section 20-120 for not less than three years. **Sec. 20-108. Examination of applicants in lieu of one year of postdoctoral general practice or residency program.** The State Dental Commission may, with the consent of the Commissioner of Public Health, accept and approve the results of clinical or practical examinations, subject to such conditions as said commission, with the consent of the Commissioner of Public Health, may prescribe in lieu of the clinically based postdoctoral general practice or specialty dental residency program required pursuant to subsection (a) of section 20-107. On and after July 1, 2021, or upon the State Dental Commission's approval of examinations that do not require the participation of patients, whichever is earlier, such clinical or practical examinations shall not require the participation of patients. Passing scores shall be established by the department with the consent of the commission.
License by Credential/ Endorsement Requirements	**Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 379 Dentistry** **Sec. 20-110. Licenses to out-of-state applicants.** The Department of Public Health may, upon receipt of an application and a fee of five hundred sixty-five dollars, issue a license without examination to a practicing dentist in another state or territory who (1) holds a current valid license in good professional standing issued after examination by another state or territory that maintains licensing standards which, except for the practical examination, are commensurate with the state's standards, and (2) has worked

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	continuously as a licensed dentist in an academic or clinical setting in another state or territory for a period of not less than one year immediately preceding the application for licensure without examination. No license shall be issued under this section to any applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or who is the subject of an unresolved complaint. The department shall inform the Dental Commission annually of the number of applications it receives for licensure under this section.
Specialty Practice	Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 379 Dentistry **Sec. 20-106a. Designation of limited practice** No licensed and registered dentist shall designate in any manner that he has limited his practice to one of the specialty areas of dentistry expressly approved by the American Dental Association unless such dentist has completed two years of advanced or postgraduate education in the area of such specialty and has notified the Dental Commission of such limitation of practice. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit any licensed and registered dentist who has limited his practice prior to May 8, 1975, from continuing to designate such limitation.
Continuing Education	Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 379 Dentistry **Sec. 20-113a. Renewal of licenses.** Licenses issued under this chapter shall be renewed annually in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88. **Sec. 20-126c. Continuing education: Definitions; contact hours; attestation; record-keeping; exemptions; waivers; reinstatement of void licenses.** (a) As used in this section: (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health; (2) "Contact hour" means a minimum of fifty minutes of continuing education activity; (3) "Department" means the Department of Public Health; (4) "Licensee" means any person who receives a license from the department pursuant to this chapter; (5) "Registration period" means the one-year period for which a license renewed in accordance with section 19a-88 is current and valid; and (6) "Temporary dental clinic" means a dental clinic that provides dental care services at no cost to uninsured or underinsured persons and operates for not more than seventy-two consecutive hours. (b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a licensee applying for license renewal shall earn a minimum of twenty-five contact hours of continuing education within the preceding twenty-four-month period. Such continuing education shall (1) be in an area of the licensee's practice; (2) reflect the professional needs of the licensee in order to meet the health care needs of the public; and (3) include not less than one contact hour of training or education in (A) any three of the ten mandatory topics for continuing education activities prescribed by the commissioner pursuant to this subdivision, (B) for registration periods beginning on and after October 1, 2016, infection control in a dental setting, and (C) prescribing controlled substances and pain management. For registration periods beginning on and after October 1, 2011, the Commissioner of Public Health, in consultation with the Dental Commission, shall on or before October 1, 2010, and biennially thereafter, issue a list that includes ten mandatory topics for continuing education activities that will be required for the following two-year registration period. Qualifying continuing education activities include, but are not limited to, courses, including on-line courses, offered or approved by the American Dental Association or state, district or local dental associations and societies affiliated with the American Dental Association; national, state, district or local dental specialty organizations or the American

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	Academy of General Dentistry; a hospital or other health care institution; dental schools and other schools of higher education accredited or recognized by the Council on Dental Accreditation or a regional accrediting organization; agencies or businesses whose programs are accredited or recognized by the Council on Dental Accreditation; local, state or national medical associations; a state or local health department; or the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education. Eight hours of volunteer dental practice at a public health facility, as defined in section 20-126/, or a temporary dental clinic may be substituted for one contact hour of continuing education, up to a maximum of ten contact hours in one twenty-four-month period. (c) Each licensee applying for license renewal pursuant to section 19a-88 shall sign a statement attesting that he or she has satisfied the continuing education requirements of subsection (b) of this section on a form prescribed by the department. Each licensee shall retain records of attendance or certificates of completion that demonstrate compliance with the continuing education requirements of said subsection (b) for a minimum of three years following the year in which the continuing education activities were completed and shall submit such records to the department for inspection not later than forty-five days after a request by the department for such records. (d) A licensee applying for the first time for license renewal pursuant to section 19a-88 is exempt from the continuing education requirements of this section. (e) A licensee who is not engaged in active professional practice in any form during a registration period shall be exempt from the continuing education requirements of this section, provided the licensee submits to the department, prior to the expiration of the registration period, a notarized application for exemption on a form prescribed by the department and such other documentation as may be required by the department. The application for exemption pursuant to this subsection shall contain a statement that the licensee may not engage in professional practice until the licensee has met the continuing education requirements of this section. (f) In individual cases involving medical disability or illness, the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion, grant a waiver of the continuing education requirements or an extension of time within which to fulfill the continuing education requirements of this section to any licensee, provided the licensee submits to the department an application for waiver or extension of time on a form prescribed by the department, along with a certification by a licensed physician, a licensed physician assistant or a licensed advanced practice registered nurse of the disability or illness and such other documentation as may be required by the commissioner. The commissioner may grant a waiver or extension for a period not to exceed one registration period, except that the commissioner may grant additional waivers or extensions if the medical disability or illness upon which a waiver or extension is granted continues beyond the period of the waiver or extension and the licensee applies for an additional waiver or extension. (g) Any licensee whose license has become void pursuant to section 19a-88 and who applies to the department for reinstatement of such license pursuant to section 19a-14 shall submit evidence documenting successful completion of twelve contact hours of continuing education within the one-year period immediately preceding application for reinstatement.

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