# Florida Massage License by Examination Checklist

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### To Qualify as an Examination Candidate:

- ✓ Have completed 500 or more hours of massage training, However:
- Have not passed a Florida Board-approved exam (NCETMB, NCETM, NESL, or MBLEx), or
- Do not currently hold a valid massage license in another state.

If you have completed 500 hours of training, passed a Florida approved exam, and hold a current massage license, please see the <u>License by Endorsement checklist</u>.

- 1) Print Application or Apply Online
  - a) This can be sent to the Florida Board of Massage (BOM), along with the application fee, at any time. The board will keep a file open for one year while all of your other information is forwarded to the BOM office.
- 2) Have the school where you received Massage Training forward your transcript to the BOM, along with an Out-Of-State Verification Form.
  - a) Your school needs "to be a school that is approved within your current state or jurisdictions" in order for it to be accepted.
- 3) Pass a board approved Exam. (MBLEx, NCETMB, NCETM, or NESL)

Get a Free Checklist to help you apply for, schedule and pass your exam:

a) MBLEx

If you have previously passed one of these exams, have your exam scores forwarded directly to the Florida BOM.

- a) NCBTMB (NCETM, NCETMB, NESL) ~ You will need to obtain login information from the NCBTMB to access this form.
- b) <u>FSTMB</u> (MBLEx) ~ You will have to print it off and mail it in. There is a \$20.00 fee per transfer/report.
- 4) Complete the new fingerprinting requirement. Learn more <a href="here">here</a>.
- 5) If you were grandfathered into licensure or have let your license expire, <u>Contact your State Board of Massage</u>. Request your state board to forward proof of licensure, or previous licensure, directly to the Florida the BOM.

Your State Board must also include your:

a) Current license status

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- b) Method of licensure (exam or endorsement)
- c) Date of original licensure
- d) Any discipline; if license has been disciplined, please request the licensing state send all official disciplinary documentation directly to the board office
- e) If you have ever had discipline on a license you must submit a selfexplanation and letters of recommendation as described below in the criminal history section
- 6) Complete the required <u>10 Hour Florida Laws and Rules course</u> from a Florida Approved Provider.

Mail your Certificate of Completion or Transcript to the Florida BOM.

After the BOM receives all of your information, they will automatically issue your license to practice massage in the state of Florida.

### Where to have everyone send your information?

#### MAILING ADDRESS:

Department of Health Board of Massage Therapy 4052 Bald Cypress Way Bin C-06 Tallahassee, FL 32399-3257

#### For Applications and Fees (Regular Mail):

Department of Health Board of Massage Therapy P.O. Box 6330 Tallahassee, Florida 32314-6330

PHONE: (850) 488-0595

Email: info@floridasmassagetherapy.gov

### Have other questions or a unique situation?

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