

NCETMB / NCETM / NESL Checklist



NCETMB, NCETM, and the NESL are all administered by the [NCBTMB](#) (National Certification Board of Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork).

FAST FACTS

- Cost: \$225 (NESL \$175)
- 160 Multiple Choice Questions
- Length: 2 Hours and 40 Minutes

1) Verify that the NCETMB exam is accepted by your state massage board:

- [NCETMB](#)

Check Exam Prerequisites or Qualifications:

- NESL: You can apply for the NESL before graduation and convert it to a NCTMB certification after graduation.
- NCETMB/NCETM: 500 hours of massage training is required. See [handbook](#) for specific hour breakdown requirement.

2) Apply for the NCETMB, NCETM, or NESL:

- [NCETMB Paper Application](#)
- [NCETMB Online Application](#)
 - If you are submitting a paper or online application, send signed [Background Check](#), [Statement of Understanding](#), [Candidate Compliance](#) and, if applicable, [Applicant Authorization](#) forms to NCBTMB (see back of [Candidate Handbook](#) for complete address).

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- Include a photocopy of a current U.S. government issued photo ID.
- Make a copy of your application packet for your records before mailing.
- **IMPORTANT** - If your government ID and name do not match you will be turned away from the Pearson VUE testing site and forfeit your examination fee).

*** Make sure the name that you apply under matches the two forms of ID you will be using on exam day.

3) Review NCBTMB Handbook and continue studying for the exam:

- [NCETMB Candidate Handbook](#)
- [Study Guide and Practice Exams](#)

4) Wait for ATT (Authorization To Test) from the NCBTMB:

- Next you will receive your ATT with instructions on how to schedule your exam.

5) Schedule Exam at a Pearson VUE Center.

- You have 90 days to schedule and take exam.
- Schedule your [NCBTMB](#) provided exam.

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Exam Date: _____

Time: _____ Register 30 minutes early at _____

Location: _____ Print Map

EXAM DAY

- Bring Two IDs that match the name on the application.
 - Bring one of the following: current driver's license, current passport, current military ID card, current state ID card or a Canadian Provincial Citizenship card.
 - A biometric sample (such as a fingerprint or palm scan) will be taken.

AFTER THE EXAM

- You will receive an unofficial score report on the day you complete the exam.
 - Your performance will be rated Pass or Fail.
- Official score reports will be mailed approximately two business days after you take the exam.
- **NOTE:** You must indicate on your application if you want a score report sent to your state regulatory agency.

Good Luck!