Section 1031. Supplemental Examinations in California Law and Ethics.
Prior to issuance of a license, an applicant shall successfully complete supplemental written examinations in California law and ethics.
(a) The examination on California law shall test the applicant's knowledge of California law as it relates to the practice of dentistry.
(b) The examination on ethics shall test the applicant's ability to recognize and apply ethical principles as they relate to the practice of dentistry.
(c) An examinee shall be deemed to have passed the examinations if his/her score is at least 75% in each examination.


HISTORY

1. Amendment filed 10-15-85; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 85, No. 42).
2. Editorial correction deleting duplicative test (Register 98, No. 7).
3. Repealer and new section heading, repealer and new section, and amendment of Note filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).

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Section 1032. Demonstrations of Skill.
Each applicant shall complete written examinations in endodontics and removable prosthodontics. Clinical examinations consisting of periodontics, an amalgam restoration and a composite resin restoration will be completed on patients. In addition, each applicant shall be required to complete a simulation examination in fixed prosthetics.


HISTORY

1. Amendment filed 10-15-85; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 85, No. 42).
2. Amendment filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).
3. Amendment filed 8-25-99; operative 9-24-99 (Register 99, No. 35).

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Section 1032.1. Endodontics.
The written endodontics diagnosis and treatment planning examination shall test the applicant's ability to diagnose, treatment plan, interpret radiographs and evaluate treatment strategies for pulpal and periapical pathoses and systemic entities.


HISTORY
Section 1032.2. Removable Prosthodontics Evaluation Examination.
The written removable prosthodontics evaluation examination shall be conducted in a laboratory setting and test the applicant's knowledge, understanding and judgment in the diagnosis and treatment of complete denture, partial denture and implant cases.


HISTORY
1. Renumbering and amendment of former section 1034 to new section 1032.2 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).
2. Repealer of former section 1032.2 and renumbering and amendment of former section 1032.6 to section 1032.2 filed 8-25-99; operative 9-24-99 (Register 99, No. 35).

Section 1032.3. Clinical Periodontics Examination.
(a) The clinical periodontics examination shall include a clinical periodontal examination and diagnosis and hand scaling of a quadrant(s) as assigned or approved by the board. The term "scaling" means the complete removal of explorer-detectable calculus, soft deposits and plaque, and smoothing of the unattached tooth surfaces. Unattached tooth surface means the portion of the crown and root surface to which no tissue is attached. Ultrasonic, sonic, hand piece-drive or other mechanical scaling devices may be used only at the direction of the board.
Additionally, the clinical periodontics examination shall include a written exercise using projected slides depicting clinical situations which shall test the applicant's ability to recognize, diagnose and treat periodontal diseases.
(b) One patient shall be provided by the applicant for the clinical periodontal examination and diagnosis and scaling portions of the examination. The applicant shall provide full mouth radiographs of the patient, which shall consist of 18 radiographs of which at least four must be bite-wings. Radiographs must be of diagnostic quality and must depict the current condition of the patient's mouth. If a patient is deemed unacceptable by the examiners, it is the applicant's responsibility to provide another patient who is acceptable. An acceptable patient shall meet the criteria set forth in Section 1033.1 and the following additional criteria:

1. (1) Have a minimum of 20 natural teeth, of which at least four must be molar teeth.
2. (2) Have at least one quadrant with the following:
   3. (A) At least six natural teeth;
   4. (B) At least one molar, one bicuspid and one anterior tooth which are free of conditions which would interfere with evaluation including, but not limited to, gross decay, faulty restorations, orthodontic bands, overhanging margins, or temporary restorations with subgingival margins. (Crowns with smooth margins are acceptable);
5. (C) Interproximal probing depths of three to six millimeters, of which at least some must exceed three millimeters. A deviation of one millimeter from the above range is permissible;

6. (D) Explorer-detectable moderate to heavy interproximal subgingival calculus must be present on at least 50 percent of the teeth. Calculus must be radiographically evident.

(c) If an applicant is unable to find a patient with one quadrant which meets the requirements of subsection (b)(2) above, the applicant may provide a patient in which those requirements can be found somewhere in two quadrants on the same side of the mouth rather than in one quadrant. However, an applicant who presents such a patient shall be required to scale all teeth in both quadrants in the same time allotted for scaling one quadrant.


HISTORY

1. Renumbering and amendment of former section 1035.1 to new section 1032.4 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).
2. Renumbering of former section 1032.3 to section 1032.1 and renumbering and amendment of former section 1032.4 to section 1032.3 filed 8-25-99; operative 9-24-99 (Register 99, No. 35).
3. Editorial correction of subsection (a) (Register 99, No. 42).
4. Amendment of subsection (a) filed 10-12-99; operative 11-11-99 (Register 99, No. 43).

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Section 1032.4. Clinical Amalgam Restoration and Composite Resin Restoration.

(a) Amalgam restoration. Each applicant shall complete to the satisfaction of the board one Class II amalgam restoration in a vital posterior tooth, excluding the mandibular first bicuspid. The tooth involved in the restoration must have caries which penetrates the dento-enamel junction and must be in occlusion. Proximal caries must be in contact with at least one adjacent tooth. The tooth selected may have one existing single-surface restoration or sealant on the occlusal, buccal or lingual surfaces.

(b) Composite resin restoration. Each applicant shall complete to the satisfaction of the board, one Class III or IV composite resin cavity preparation and restoration of a permanent incisor or canine. The tooth to be restored with a Class III or IV restoration must have proximal caries which penetrates the dento-enamel junction and the caries must be in contact with an adjacent tooth.

(c) Radiographic requirements. Each applicant shall provide satisfactory periapical and bitewing radiographs of the tooth to be treated for the amalgam restoration and a satisfactory periapical radiograph of the tooth to be treated for the composite resin restoration. All radiographs shall have been taken not more than six months prior to the examination at which they are presented and must depict the current condition of the patient's tooth.

(d) Rubber dams. A rubber dam shall be used during the preparation of the amalgam restoration and the composite resin restoration. The Amalgam preparation and the composite resin preparation shall be presented for grading with a rubber dam in place.

(e) Altering preparations. A preparation which has been graded shall not be changed or altered by the examinee without the specific approval and signature of an examiner.
(f) Pathological exposures. In the event of a pathological exposure during the amalgam preparation or the composite resin preparation, both the preparation and the restoration will be graded.

(g) Mechanical exposures. In the event of a mechanical exposure, completion of the clinical procedure will not be allowed for either the amalgam restoration or the composite resin restoration and the applicant will receive a grade of zero.


HISTORY

1. New section filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).
2. Renumbering of former section 1032.4 to section 1032.3 and renumbering of former section 1032.5 to section 1032.4, including amendment of section heading and section, filed 8-25-99; operative 9-24-99 (Register 99, No. 35).

Section 1032.5. Clinical Simulated Fixed Prosthetics Examination.

(a) Each applicant shall prepare two abutments to retain a three-unit posterior fixed partial denture and a crown preparation on an anterior tooth. The two abutment preparations of the three-unit posterior fixed partial denture shall be a metal-ceramic retainer and/or complete metal crown retainer and/or a 3/4 crown retainer. Assignment of abutment preparations will be made at start of the prosthetics examination. The crown preparation on an anterior tooth shall be a metal-ceramic preparation.

(b) Each applicant shall provide an articulated dentoform typodont which has 32 synthetic teeth and soft rubber gingivae. The typodont shall be an articulated Columbia typodont No.s 560, 660, 860, 1360, or 1560 or Kilgore typodont D-95S-200 series or an equivalent in all respects.

(c) The typodont shall be mounted in a manikin. The manikin must be mounted in a simulated patient position and kept in a correct operating position while performing examination procedures. The manikin will be provided at the test site and will be mounted either on a dental chair with a headrest bar or mounted on a simulator. The type of manikin mounted on a dental chair shall be a Columbia Aluminum head with metal checks, model number AH-1C-1 or its equivalent. The type of manikin mounted on a simulator shall be a Frasaco phantom head P-5 with face mask or its equivalent.

(d) Minimum equipment to be supplied with the dental chair or simulator at the test site shall be a dental operatory light, a high-speed air handpiece hose with water and air spray, a low-speed air handpiece hose, a three-way air-water dental syringe and an evacuation system.


HISTORY

1. Renumbering and amendment of former section 1035.2 to new section 1032.5 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).
2. Amendment of subsection (b) filed 12-1-98; operative 12-31-98 (Register 98, No. 49).
Section 1032.6. Removable Prosthodontics Evaluation Examination.

HISTORY

1. New section filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).
2. Renumbering of former section 1032.6 to section 1032.2 filed 8-25-99; operative 9-24-99 (Register 99, No. 35).

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Section 1033. General Procedures for Written and Laboratory Dental Licensure Examinations.
The following rules, which are in addition to any other examination rules set forth elsewhere in this chapter, are adopted for the uniform conduct of all written and laboratory dental licensure examinations.
(a) The ability of an examinee to read and interpret instructions and examination material is a part of the examination.
(b) No person shall be admitted to an examination room or laboratory unless he or she is wearing the appropriate identification badge.
(c) An examinee may be dismissed from the entire examination, and a statement of issues may be filed against the examinee, for acts which interfere with the board's objective of evaluating professional competence. Such acts include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. (1) Allowing another person to take the examination in the place of, and under the identity, of the examinee.
2. (2) Copying or otherwise obtaining examination answers from other persons during the course of the written examination.
3. (3) Bringing any notes, textbooks, unauthorized models, or other informative data into an examination room or laboratory.
4. (4) Assisting another examinee during the examination process.
5. (5) Copying, photographing or in any way reproducing or recording examination questions or answers.


HISTORY

1. Amendment filed 10-15-85; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 85, No. 42).
2. Renumbering of former section 1033 to new section 1032.1 and new section filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).
Section 1033.1. General Procedures for Clinical Dental Licensure Examination.

The following rules, which are in addition to any other examination rules set forth elsewhere in this chapter, are adopted for the uniform conduct of the clinical dental licensure examination.

(a) Each examinee shall furnish patients, instruments, handpieces and materials, necessary to carry the procedures to completion. The board will provide operatory lights, dental delivery units and chairs or simulators.

(b) A patient provided by an examinee shall be in a health condition acceptable for dental treatment. If conditions indicate a need to consult the patient's physician or for the patient to be premedicated (e.g. high blood pressure, heart murmur, rheumatic fever, heart condition, prosthesis), the examinee must obtain the necessary written medical clearance and/or evidence of premedication before the patient will be accepted. The examiners may, in their discretion, reject a patient who in the opinion of at least two examiners has a condition which interferes with evaluation or which may be hazardous to the patient, other patients, applicants or examiners. A hazardous condition includes, but is not limited to, acute symptomatic hepatitis, active herpetic lesions, acute periodontal or periapical abscesses, or necrotizing ulcerative gingivitis. In addition, a patient may be rejected when, in the opinion of at least two examiners, the proposed treatment demonstrates improper patient management, including but not necessarily limited to, contraindicating medical status of the patient, grossly pathologic or unhygienic oral conditions such as extremely heavy calculus deposits, other pathology related to the tooth to be treated, or selection of a restoration that is not suited to the patient's biological or cosmetic requirements. Whenever a patient is rejected, the reason for such rejection shall be noted on the examination record and shall be signed by both rejecting examiners.

(c) No person shall be admitted to the clinic unless he or she is wearing the appropriate identification badge.

(d) The use of local anesthetics shall not be permitted until the patient has been approved by an examiner.

(e) Only the services of registered dental assistance or dental assistants shall be permitted.

(f) An assignment which has been made by the board shall not be changed by an examinee without the specific approval of the board.

(g) An examinee may be dismissed from the entire examination, and a statement of issues may be filed against the examinee, for acts which interfere with the board's objective of evaluating professional competence. Such acts include, but are not limited to the following:

1. (1) Allowing another person to take the examination in the place of, and under the identity of, the examinee.
2. (2) Presenting purported carious lesions which are artificially created, whether or not the examinee created the defect.
3. (3) Presenting radiographs which have been altered, or contrived to represent other than the patient's true condition, whether or not the misleading radiograph was created by the examinee.
4. (4) Bringing any notes, textbooks, unauthorized models, periodontal charting information or other informative data into the clinic.
5. (5) Assisting another examinee during the examination process.
6. (6) Failing to comply with the board's infection control regulations.
7. (7) Failing to use an aspirating syringe for administering local anesthesia.
8. (8) Utilizing the services of a licensed dentist, dental school graduate, dental school student, registered dental hygienist in extended functions, registered dental hygienist, dental hygiene graduate, dental hygiene student, or registered dental assistant in extended functions, or student or graduate of a registered dental assistant in extended functions program.

9. (9) Treating a patient, or causing a patient to receive treatment outside the designated examination settings and timeframes.

10. (10) Premedicating a patient for purposes of sedation.

11. (11) Dismissing a patient without the approval and signature of an examiner.

(h) An examinee may be declared by the board to have failed the entire examination for demonstration of gross incompetence in treating a patient.


HISTORY

1. Renumbering and amendment of former section 1035 to new section 1033.1, including repealer and new section heading, filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).

2. Amendment of subsection (b) filed 3-26-99; operative 3-26-99 pursuant to Government Code section 11343.4(d) (Register 99, No. 13).

3. Amendment of subsections (a) and (g) filed 8-25-99; operative 9-24-99 (Register 99, No. 35).

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Section 1034. Grading of Examinations Administered by the Board.
This section shall apply to the clinical and written examination administered by the board pursuant to Section 1632(c)(1) of the code.

(a) Each examiner shall grade independently. Examinations shall be anonymous. An anonymous examination is one conducted in accordance with procedures, including but not limited to those set forth below, which ensure and preserve the anonymity of examinees. The board shall randomly assign each examinee a number, and said examinee shall be known by that number throughout the entire examination. The grading area shall be separated from the examination area by barriers that block the grading examiners' view of examinees during the performance of the examination assignments. There shall be no communication between grading examiners and clinical floor examiners except for oral communications conducted in the presence of board staff. There shall be no communication between grading examiners and examinees except written communications on board approved forms.

(b) The final grade of each examinee shall be determined by averaging the grades obtained in:

1. (1) Endodontics;
2. (2) Removable prosthodontics evaluation examination;
3. (3) Periodontics;
4. (4) Amalgam restoration;
5. (5) Composite resin restoration; and
6. (6) Clinical simulated fixed prosthetics preparations.

(c) An examinee shall be deemed to have passed the examination if his or her overall average for the entire examination is at least 75% and the examinee has obtained a grade of 75% or more in at least four sections of the examination, except that an examinee shall not be deemed to have passed the examination if he or she receives a score of less than 75% in more than one section of the examination in which a patient is treated.

(d) The executive officer shall compile and summarize the grades attained by each examinee and establish the overall average of each examinee. He or she shall indicate on the records so compiled the names of those examinees who have passed or failed the examination and shall so notify each examinee.


HISTORY

1. Renumbering of former section 1034 to new section 1032.2, and renumbering and amendment of former section 1037 to new section 1034 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).

2. New subsection (d) and subsection relettering filed 5-27-98; operative 6-26-98 (Register 98, No. 22).

3. Amendment of subsections (b)(1)-(c), repealer of subsection (d) and subsection relettering filed 8-25-99; operative 9-24-99 (Register 99, No. 35).

4. Amendment of section heading, new introductory paragraph, amendment of subsection (d) and amendment of Note filed 3-13-2006 as an emergency; operative 3-13-2006 (Register 2006, No. 11). A Certificate of Compliance must be transmitted to OAL by 7-11-2006 or emergency language will be repealed by operation of law on the following day.

5. Amendment of section heading, new introductory paragraph, amendment of subsection (d) and amendment of Note refiled 7-12-2006 as an emergency; operative 7-12-2006 (Register 2006, No. 28). A Certificate of Compliance must be transmitted to OAL by 11-9-2006 or emergency language will be repealed by operation of law on the following day.


7. Amendment of section heading, new introductory paragraph, amendment of subsection (d) and amendment of Note refiled 11-15-2006 as an emergency; operative 11-15-2006 (Register 2006, No. 46). A Certificate of Compliance must be transmitted to OAL by 3-15-2007 or emergency language will be repealed by operation of law on the following day.

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Section 1034.1. Passing Score of Examination Administered by the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB).

The board will accept as a passing score for Western Regional Examining Board examination the passing score as determined by the Western Regional Examining Board.
Section 1034.5. Grading of Examinations.


HISTORY

1. New section filed 3-13-2006 as an emergency; operative 3-13-2006 (Register 2006, No. 11). A Certificate of Compliance must be transmitted to OAL by 7-11-2006 or emergency language will be repealed by operation of law on the following day.
2. New section refiled 7-12-2006 as an emergency; operative 7-12-2006 (Register 2006, No. 28). A Certificate of Compliance must be transmitted to OAL by 11-9-2006 or emergency language will be repealed by operation of law on the following day.
4. New section refiled 11-15-2006 as an emergency; operative 11-15-2006 (Register 2006, No. 46). A Certificate of Compliance must be transmitted to OAL by 3-15-2007 or emergency language will be repealed by operation of law on the following day.

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Section 1035. Examination Review Procedures; Appeals.

(a) An examinee who has failed an examination shall be provided with notice, upon written request, of those areas in which he/she is deficient in the clinical and restorative laboratory phases of such examination.

(b) An unsuccessful examinee who has been informed of the areas of deficiency in his/her performance on the clinical and restorative laboratory phases of the examination and who has determined that one or more of the following errors was made during the course of his/her examination and grading may appeal to the board within sixty (60) days following receipt of his/her examination results:

1. (1) Significant procedural error in the examination process;
2. (2) Evidence of adverse discrimination;
3. (3) Evidence of substantial disadvantage to the examinee.
Such appeal shall be made by means of a written letter specifying the grounds upon which the appeal is based. The board shall respond to the appeal in writing and may request a personal appearance by the examinee. The board shall thereafter take such action as it deems appropriate.


**HISTORY**

1. Amendment of subsection (f) filed 4-27-87; operative 4-27-87 (Register 87, No. 18).
2. Repealer of subsections (f)-(f)(2) and (h) and subsection relettering filed 7-12-95; operative 8-11-95 (Register 95, No. 28).
3. Renumbering and amendment of former section 1035 to new section 1033.1, and renumbering of former section 1038 to new section 1035 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).

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**Section 1035.1. Clinical Periodontics Examination.**


**HISTORY**

1. Amendment of subsection (a) filed 11-12-96; operative 12-12-96 (Register 96, No. 46).
2. Renumbering and amendment of former section 1035.1 to new section 1032.4 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).

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**Section 1035.2. Clinical Cast Restoration and Amalgam.**


**HISTORY**

1. Amendment of subsections (a), (b) and (d) filed 10-15-85; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 85, No. 42).
2. Amendment filed 4-27-87; operative 4-27-87 (Register 87, No. 18).
3. Amendment of subsection (f) and new subsection (g) filed 7-12-95; operative 8-11-95 (Register 95, No. 28).
4. Amendment of subsection (f) filed 8-25-97; operative 9-24-97 (Register 97, No. 35).
5. Renumbering and amendment of former section 1035.2 to new section 1032.5 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).
Section 1036. Remedial Education.
An applicant, who fails to pass the examination after three attempts shall not be eligible for further re-examination until the applicant has successfully completed the required additional education.
(a) The course work shall be taken at a dental school approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation or a comparable organization approved by the Board, and shall be completed within a period of one year from the date of notification of the applicant's third failure.

1. (1) The course of study must be didactic, laboratory or a combination of the two. Use of patients is optional.
2. (2) Instruction must be provided by a faculty member of a dental school approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation or a comparable organization approved by the Board.
3. (3) Pre-testing and post-testing must be part of the course of study.

(b) When an applicant applies for reexamination, he or she shall furnish evidence of successful completion of the remedial education requirements for reexamination.

1. (1) Evidence of successful completion must be on the certification of successful completion of remedial education requirements for re-examination eligibility (rev. 1) form that is provided by the Board and submitted prior to the examination.
2. (2) The form must be signed and sealed by the Dean of the dental school providing the remedial education course.


HISTORY

1. Renumbering of former subsection (a) to Section 1036.2 filed 10-15-85; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 85, No. 42).
2. Repealer of former section 1036 and renumbering and amendment of former section 1039 to new section 1036 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).

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Section 1036.1. Amalgam - Restorative Laboratory.


HISTORY

1. Repealer filed 10-15-85; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 85, No. 42).
Section 1036.2. Fixed Prosthetics - Restorative Laboratory.


HISTORY

1. Renumbering of former Section 1036(a) to subsection (a) and amendment of subsection (b) filed 10-15-85; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 85, No. 42).
2. Repealer filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).

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Section 1036.3. Removable Prosthetics - Restorative Laboratory.


HISTORY

1. Repealer of subsection (a) designator and repealer of subsection (b) filed 7-12-95; operative 8-11-95 (Register 95, No. 28).
2. Repealer filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).

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Section 1037. Grading of Examinations.


HISTORY

1. Amendment of subsection (b) filed 10-15-85; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 85, No. 42).
2. Amendment of subsections (a) and (c) and repealer of subsections (c)(1)-(2) filed 7-12-95; operative 8-11-95 (Register 95, No. 28).
3. Renumbering of former section 1037 to new section 1034 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).

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Section 1038. Examination Review Procedures; Appeals.


HISTORY
1. Renumbering of former section 1008 to new section 1038 filed 7-12-95; operative 8-11-95 (Register 95, No. 28).
2. Renumbering of former section 1038 to new section 1035 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).

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Section 1039. Remedial Education.


HISTORY

1. New section filed 3-20-95; operative 4-19-95 (Register 95, No. 12).
2. Renumbering of former section 1039 to new section 1036 filed 2-13-98; operative 3-15-98 (Register 98, No. 7).