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# LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE (LDI) LICENSING EXAMINATIONS CANDIDATE INFORMATION BULLETIN

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# UNDERSTANDING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

#### **EXAMINATION REQUIRED PER LICENSE TYPE**

Examination Name	License Type	Exam Series	Exam Fee
Life	Producer	101	\$40.00
Health and Accident	Producer	102	\$40.00
Life, Health and Accident	Producer	103	\$65.00
Property	Producer	104	\$40.00
Casualty	Producer	105	\$40.00
Property and Casualty	Producer	106	\$65.00
Personal Lines (Producer)	Producer	107	\$15.00
Bail Bond	Producer	108	\$15.00
Surety	Producer	109	\$15.00
Industrial Fire	Producer	110	\$15.00
Title	Producer	111	\$15.00
Surplus Lines <sup>I</sup>	Producer	112	\$15.00
Automobile Adjuster	Claims Adjuster	201	\$15.00
Personal Lines (Adjuster)	Claims Adjuster	202	\$15.00
Commercial Lines Adjuster	Claims Adjuster	203	\$15.00
Property and Casualty Adjuster	Claims Adjuster	204	\$15.00
Crop Adjuster	Claims Adjuster	205	\$15.00
Public Adjuster <sup>II</sup>	Public Adjuster	301	\$15.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Must also be currently licensed as a Property and Casualty producer with two years' experience.

All candidates must complete the required hours of prelicensure education. Effective October 1, 2016, your education provider will provide your eligibility electronically to PSI upon successful completion of the course requirements. All eligibilities are valid for 1 year from the completion date of the course(s).

After your school has submitted your file to PSI, you will receive an email confirmation with instructions on how to pay and schedule for the examination. Note, if PSI does not have your record, please contact your education provider.

License Type	Course Hours
Life	20
Health and Accident	20
Life, Health and Accident	40
Property	20
Casualty	20
Property and Casualty	40
Personal Lines	20
Bail Bond**	8 + Apprentice Program

There are **no** prelicensing requirements for Adjusters, Surety, Industrial Fire, Surplus Lines and Title.

For a list of prelicensing education providers visit the Department's Web site at www.ldi.la.gov.

\*\*Bail Bond Apprentice Program. No person shall be permitted to sit for an examination as a bail bond producer without having properly pre-registered for and completed a three-month bail bond apprentice program and until the required Bail Bond Apprentice Program Affidavit has been submitted to the Department of Insurance along with the required application for testing and licensure. The Bail Bond Affidavit can be found on the Department's Web.

# WAIVER OF PRELICENSING EDUCATION FOR PRODUCERS

Individuals holding certain industry designations or a bachelors degree with major work in insurance may be exempt from prelicense education.

Individuals who have moved to Louisiana and were licensed in their prior home state may also qualify for exemptions from prelicense education and examination.

Please check LDI's website for more information at www.ldi.la.gov.

# FINGERPRINTING REQUIREMENT

ALL applicants for Louisiana resident insurance producer and adjuster licenses must provide a set of fingerprints to the Louisiana Department of Insurance for the purpose of conducting a state and national fingerprint-based criminal history record.

You must be electronically fingerprinted at one of PSI Louisiana sites, during regular testing hours, on the day of your examination. The prints will be forwarded electronically to the appropriate review agencies. You will pay the fingerprinting fee at the test site on the day of testing. The \$58.00 fee, is payable to "PSI" by money order, cashier's check, company check, VISA or MasterCard. This payment includes the State processing fee of \$38.00, and the PSI processing fee of \$20.00. Please note: this process may take up to 4 weeks. Ink cards will not be accepted by the Division.

Fingerprinting Process for license types that require an examination (Life Producer, Health and Accident Producer, Life, Health and Accident Producer, Property Producer, Casualty Producer, Property and Casualty Producer, Bail Bond Producer, Surety Producer, Industrial Fire Producer, Personal Lines Producer, Surplus Lines Broker, Title Producer, Public Adjuster, Automobile Claims Adjuster, Property and Casualty Claims Adjuster, Personal Lines Claims Adjuster, Commercial Lines Claims Adjuster, Crop Adjuster).

Fingerprinting Process for license types that do not require an examination (Variable Life & Variable Annuity, Limited Life, Health & Accident, Credit, Travel, Navigators). Walk-in hours are posted on PSI's website at www.psiexams.com.

Fingerprinting is not required for licensed resident producers and adjusters who are adding a line of authority to an existing license.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>II</sup> Must also have a Surety Bond or irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of \$50,000 issued by a qualified financial institution authorized to do business in Louisiana.

# EXAMINATION PAYMENT AND SCHEDULING PROCEDURES

Once your educator has electronically submitted your information to PSI, it is your responsibility to contact PSI to pay and schedule for an examination. All eligibilities are valid for 1 year from the completion date of the course(s). There is no limit to the number of times you may take an examination if you fail during that one year period.

## **ONLINE (WWW.PSIEXAMS.COM)**

For the fastest and most convenient examination scheduling process, register for your examinations online by accessing PSI's registration Web site at <a href="https://www.psiexams.com">www.psiexams.com</a>. Internet registration is available 24 hours a day.

- Log onto PSI's website and create an account. Please enter your email address and first and last name. This information must match exactly with the information submitted on your application. Be sure to check the box next to "Check here to attempt to locate existing records for you in the system"
- You will be asked to select the examination and enter your SS#. Your record will be found and you will now be ready to pay for and schedule the exam. Enter your zip code and a list of the testing sites closest to you will appear. Once you select the desired test site, available dates will appear. If you have problems, contact PSI at (800) 733-9267 for help.

## **TELEPHONE REGISTRATION**

Call (800) 733-9267, PSI registrars are available to receive payment and to schedule your appointment for the examination. Please call Monday through Friday between 6:30 am and 9:00 pm, and Saturday-Sunday between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Central Time.

To register by phone, you need a valid credit card (VISA, MasterCard, American Express or Discover.)

# RESCHEDULING/CANCELING AN EXAMINATION APPOINTMENT

You may cancel and reschedule an examination appointment without forfeiting your fee if your cancellation notice is received 2 days before the scheduled examination date. For example, for a Monday appointment, the cancellation notice would need to be received on the previous Saturday. You may reschedule online at <a href="https://www.psiexams.com">www.psiexams.com</a> or call PSI at (800) 733-9267.

Note: A voice mail message is not an acceptable form of cancellation. Please use the PSI Website or call PSI and speak directly to a Customer Service Representative.

#### **RETAKING A FAILED EXAMINATION**

It is not possible to make a new examination appointment on the same day you have taken an examination; this is due to processing and reporting scores. A candidate who tests unsuccessfully on a Wednesday can call the next day, Thursday, and retest as soon as Friday, depending upon space availability. You may schedule online at <a href="https://www.psiexams.com">www.psiexams.com</a> or call PSI at (800) 733-9267.

# MISSED APPOINTMENT OR LATE CANCELLATION

If you miss your appointment, you will not be able to take the examination as scheduled, further you will forfeit your examination fee, if you:

- Do not cancel your appointment 2 days before the scheduled examination date;
- Do not appear for your examination appointment;
- Arrive after examination start time;
- Do not present proper identification when you arrive for the examination.

## SPECIAL EXAMINATION ARRANGEMENTS

All PSI examination centers are equipped to provide access in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and every reasonable accommodation will be made in meeting a candidate's needs. A candidate with a disability or a candidate who would otherwise have difficulty taking the examination must complete the Special Arrangement Request Form at the end of this Candidate Information Bulletin and must fax it to PSI (702) 932-2666.

# **EXAMINATION SITE CLOSING FOR AN EMERGENCY**

In the event that severe weather or another emergency forces the closure of an examination site on a scheduled examination date, your examination will be rescheduled. PSI personnel will attempt to contact you in this situation. However, you may check the status of your examination schedule by calling (800) 733-9267. Every effort will be made to reschedule your examination at a convenient time as soon as possible. You will not be penalized. You will be rescheduled at no additional charge.

# **EXAMINATION SITE LOCATIONS**

The following directions are generated from the most current mapping services available. However, new road construction and highway modifications may result in some discrepancies. If you are not familiar with the specific area of the testing site, please consult a reliable map prior to your test date.

# **Baton Rouge**

8338 Summa Avenue #302 Baton Rouge, LA 70809

From the I-10 West, exit Essen Lane (exit 160) and proceed south on LA 3064 approximately 1/2 mile. Turn left on Summa Avenue. The Test Center is on the corner of Summa and Everet on the right. Parking is in the rear.

From the I-10 East, exit Bluebonnet Blvd (exit 162). and proceed south on LA 1248 approximately 1/4 mile. Turn right on Picardy and then right on Summa Ave. The Test Center is on the corner of Summa and Blair on the left. Parking is in the rear.

From the I-12 East, take exit 1A (New Orleans exit) then exit Essen Lane (exit 160) and proceed south on LA 3064 approximately 1/2 mile. Turn left on Summa Avenue. The Test Center is on the corner of Summa and Everet on the right. Parking is in the rear.

#### Lafayette

Acadian Aviation Testing Center 123 Grissom Road Lafayette, LA 70504

From the I-10, take exit 103Å Morgan City. Turn left on Surrey, then right on Grissom. At the end of the road, turn right into parking lot of Landmark Aviation.

From LA 90: Turn right on Surrey, then right on Grissom. At the end of road, turn right into parking lot of Landmark Aviation.

Entrance to Acadian Aviation Testing Center is on right side of building next to the steps and ramp.

#### **Lake Charles**

Delta Tech 517 Broad Street

Lake Charles, LA 70601

From I-10, take the Ryan Street exit, EXIT 30B, toward downtown area, turning with a slight right onto Ryan Street. Turn left onto Broad St, going 0.2 miles to 517 Broad St.

#### Metairie

2750 Lake Villa Drive NY II Bldg, Suite 202 Metairie, LA 70002

From the East, follow I-10 W to N Interstate 10 Service Rd W in Metairie. Take exit 226 from I-10 W. Merge onto I-10 W. Use the right lane to take exit 226 for Clearview Pkwy N. Follow N Interstate 10 Service Rd W to Lake Villa Dr. Merge onto N Interstate 10 Service Rd W. Turn left onto Lake Villa Dr. Destination will be on the left.

From the West, follow I-10 E to Clearview Pkwy in Metairie. Take exit 226 from I-10 E. Follow Clearview Pkwy and Veterans Blvd/Veterans Memorial Blvd to Lake Villa Dr. Merge onto Clearview Pkwy. Turn right toward Veterans Blvd/Veterans Memorial Blvd. Slight right onto Veterans Blvd/Veterans Memorial Blvd. Turn right onto Lake Villa Dr. Destination will be on the right.

## Pineville (Alexandria)

Flightline Air Service 200 Lake Buhlow Rd Pineville, LA 71360

Going South on US-71 S/Shreveport Hwy toward Stafford St. Turn right onto Airport Rd. The destination will be on the left

#### **Shreveport**

Madison Square Park 3855 Gilbert Shreveport, LA 71104

From I-49, exit Kings Highway and proceed east approximately 1 mile. Turn right on Gilbert and proceed south for approximately 3/4 mile. The test center will be on the left.

Additionally, PSI has examination centers in many other regions across the United States. You may take this examination at any of these locations by calling PSI at 800-733-9267. You must be fingerprinted at a LA PSI test site.

# REPORTING TO THE EXAMINATION SITE

On the day of the examination, you should arrive 30 minutes before your appointment. This extra time is for sign-in, identification, and familiarizing you with the examination process. If you arrive late, you may not be admitted to the examination site and you will forfeit your examination registration fee.

All examination sites will provide ear plugs upon request.

#### REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION

Candidates must register for the exam with their LEGAL first and last name as it appears on their government issued identification. All required identification below must match the first and last name under which the candidate is registered. Candidates are required to bring two (2) forms of valid (non-expired) signature bearing identification to the test site. If the candidate fails to bring proper identification or the candidate names do not match, the candidate will not be allowed to test and their examination fee will not be refunded.

# PRIMARY IDENTIFICATION (with photo) - Choose one or two from this list:

- State issued driver's license
- State issued identification card
- US Government Issued Passport
- US Government Issued Military Identification Card
- US Government Issued Alien Registration Card
- Canadian Government Issued ID NOTE: ID must contain candidate's photo, be valid and unexpired.

# SECONDARY IDENTIFICATION - Choose one if two will not be provided from the above list:

- Credit Card (must be signed)
- Social Security Card
- US issued Birth Certificate with Raised Seal \*NOTE: Student ID and employment ID are NOT acceptable forms of identification.

# **SECURITY PROCEDURES**

The following security procedures apply during examinations:

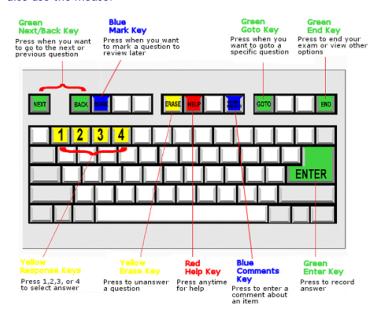
- All examinations are closed book.
- You will be provided a piece of scratch paper and a pencil.
   These must be returned to the proctor at the end of the examination.
- You will have access to an online calculator.
- Candidates may take only approved items into the examination room.
- All personal belongings of candidates, with the exception of close-fitting jackets or sweatshirts, should be placed in the secure storage provided at each site prior to entering the examination room. Personal belongings include, but are not limited to, the following items:
  - Electronic devices of any type, including cellular / mobile phones, recording devices, electronic watches, cameras, pagers, laptop computers, tablet computers (e.g., iPads), music players (e.g., iPods), smart watches, radios, or electronic games.
  - **Bulky or loose clothing or coats** that could be used to conceal recording devices or notes, including coats, shawls, hooded clothing, heavy jackets, or overcoats.
  - Hats or headgear not worn for religious reasons or as religious apparel, including hats, baseball caps, or visors.
  - Other personal items, including purses, notebooks, reference or reading material, briefcases, backpacks, wallets, pens, pencils, other writing devices, food, drinks, and good luck items.
- Person(s) accompanying an examination candidate may not wait in the examination center, inside the building or on the building's property. This applies to guests of any

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- nature, including drivers, children, friends, family, colleagues or instructors.
- No smoking, eating, or drinking is allowed in the examination center.
- During the check in process, all candidates will be asked if they possess any prohibited items. Candidates may also be asked to empty their pockets and turn them out for the proctor to ensure they are empty. The proctor may also ask candidates to lift up the ends of their sleeves and the bottoms of their pant legs to ensure that notes or recording devices are not being hidden there.
- Proctors will also carefully inspect eyeglass frames, tie tacks, or any other apparel that could be used to harbor a recording device. Proctors will ask to inspect any such items in candidates' pockets.
- If prohibited items are found during check-in, candidates shall put them in the provided secure storage or return these items to their vehicle. PSI will not be responsible for the security of any personal belongings or prohibited items.
- Any candidate possessing prohibited items in the examination room shall immediately have his or her test results invalidated, and PSI shall notify the examination sponsor of the occurrence.
- Any candidate seen giving or receiving assistance on an examination, found with unauthorized materials, or who violates any security regulations will be asked to surrender all examination materials and to leave the examination center. All such instances will be reported to the examination sponsor.
- Copying or communicating examination content is violation of a candidate's contract with PSI, and federal and state law. Either may result in the disqualification of examination results and may lead to legal action.
- Once candidates have been seated and the examination begins, they may leave the examination room only to use the restroom, and only after obtaining permission from the proctor. Candidate will not receive extra time to complete the examination.

# TAKING THE EXAMINATION BY COMPUTER

Taking the PSI examination by computer is simple. You do not need any computer experience or typing skills. You will use fewer keys than you use on a touch-tone telephone. All response keys are colored and have prominent characters. An illustration of the special keyboard is shown here. You may also use the mouse.



#### **IDENTIFICATION SCREEN**

You will be directed to a semiprivate testing station to take the examination. When you are seated at the testing station, you will be prompted to confirm your name, identification number, and the examination for which you are registered.

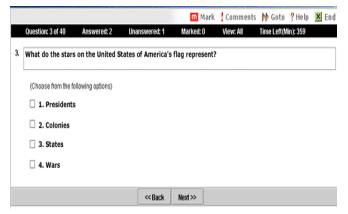
#### **TUTORIAL**

Before you start your examination, an introductory tutorial to the computer and keyboard is provided on the computer screen. The time you spend on this tutorial, up to 15 minutes, DOES NOT count as part of your examination time. Sample questions are included following the tutorial so that you may practice using the keys, answering questions, and reviewing your answers.

One question appears on the screen at a time. During the examination, minutes remaining will be displayed at the top of the screen and updated as you record your answers.

# **EXAMINATION QUESTION EXAMPLE**

You will begin with an Examination Tutorial to practice answering questions and review the computer examination process. The "Function Bar" at the top of the screen provides mouse-click access to the features available on the current examination. These also are available by using the labeled keys on the keyboard.



IMPORTANT: After you have entered your responses, you will later be able to return to any question(s) and change your response, provided the examination time has not run out.

#### **EXAMINATION REVIEW**

PSI, in cooperation with the Department, will be continually evaluating the examinations being administered to ensure that the examinations accurately measure competency in the required knowledge areas. Comments may be entered on the computer keyboard during the examination. Your comments regarding the questions and the examinations are welcomed. Comments will be analyzed by PSI examination development staff. While PSI does not respond to individuals regarding these comments, all substantive comments are reviewed. If a discrepancy is found during the comment review, PSI and the Department may re-evaluate candidates' results and adjust them accordingly. This is the only review of the examination available to you.

# **SCORE REPORTING**

Your score will be given to you immediately following completion of the examination. The following summary describes the score reporting process:

- If you <u>pass</u>, you will receive a successful score report.
- If you do not pass, you will receive a diagnostic report indicating your strengths and weaknesses by examination type on the score report.

#### **DUPLICATE SCORE REPORTS**

You may request a duplicate score report after your examination by emailing <a href="mailto:score-report@psionline.com">score-report@psionline.com</a> or by calling 800-733-9267.

### **NON-SCORED QUESTIONS**

In addition to the number of examination questions specified in the "Examination Content Outlines", "non-scored" questions may be administered to candidates during the examinations. These questions will not be scored and the time taken to answer them will not count against examination time. The administration of such unscored, experimental questions is an essential step in developing future licensing examinations.

# TIPS FOR PREPARING FOR YOUR LICENSE EXAMINATION

The following suggestions will help you prepare for your examination.

- Only consider the actual information given in the question, do not read into the question by considering any possibilities or exceptions.
- Planned preparation increases your likelihood of passing.
- Start with a current copy of this Candidate Information Bulletin and use the examination content outline as the basis of your study.
- Read study materials that cover all the topics in the content outline.

- Take notes on what you study. Putting information in writing helps you commit it to memory and it is also an excellent business practice.
- Discuss new terms or concepts as frequently as you can with colleagues. This will test your understanding and reinforce ideas.
- Your studies will be most effective if you study frequently, for periods of about 45 to 60 minutes. Concentration tends to wander when you study for longer periods of time.

You can take a practice exam online at <a href="www.psiexams.com">www.psiexams.com</a> to prepare for your Louisiana Insurance Examination.

Please note that practice exams are intended only to help testing candidates become familiar with the general types of questions that will appear on a licensing examination, and do not contain actual questions that are asked on the exam. Practice exams ARE NOT a substitute for proper education and study. Scoring well on the practice exam does not guarantee that you will pass an actual licensing examination.

Note: You may take the practice exams an unlimited number of times; however, you will need to pay each time.

# **EXAMINATION CONTENT OUTLINES**

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Individual examination content outlines are available from PSI for each examination. Content outlines indicate the examination time limit, minimum score required to pass, subject area and the number of items in each area. To obtain a content outline for your specific examination, visit <a href="https://www.psiexams.com">www.psiexams.com</a>, select <a href="mailto:Government/State Licensing Agencies/Louisiana/Insurance.">Government/State Licensing Agencies/Louisiana/Insurance.</a>
The examination content outlines can be found under Information Links (on the right side of the page).

# APPLYING FOR LICENSURE

A license application must be filed through the National Insurance Producer Registry (NIPR) at www.nipr.com.

For licensing information, please contact:

Louisiana Department of Insurance

1702 N. Third Street P.O. Box 94214 Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Phone: (225) 342-0860

Fax: (225) 342-3754 E-mail: producerlicensing@ldi.la.gov

www.ldi.la.gov

# SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT REQUEST FORM



All examination centers are equipped to provide access in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990. Candidates with disabilities or those who would otherwise have difficulty taking the examination may request special examination arrangements.

Candidates who wish to request special arrangements because of a disability should fax this form and supporting documentation to PSI at (702) 932-2666.

# Requirements for special arrangement requests

You are required to submit documentation from the medical authority or learning institution that rendered a diagnosis. Verification must be submitted to PSI on the letterhead stationery of the authority or specialist and include the following:

- Description of the disability and limitations related to testing
- ▶ Recommended accommodation/modification
- Name, title and telephone number of the medical authority or specialist
- Original signature of the medical authority or specialist

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- Complete and fax this form, along with supporting documentation, to (702) 932-2666.
- After 4 business days, please call (800) 367-1565, ext 6750 and leave a voice message.
- PSI Special Accommodations will call you back to schedule the examination within 48 hours.

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