

Contiguous States' Hour Requirements

West Virginia

Barbering 1200 hours
Cosmetology 1800 hours
Nail Technician 400 hours
Esthetician 600 hours
Hair Stylist 1000 hours

Reciprocity: training must equal or exceed the requirements for a West Virginia license. The West Virginia Board will accept actual licensed work experience in lieu of part of the required training. Work experience is awarded at 25 hours per month of salon work, or 300 hours per year. Total work experience that may be accepted cannot exceed 50% of the required hours, and must have been acquired within the previous five years. **So: it would require 2 years and 8 months of work experience in Ohio to transfer a 1000 clock hour license to WV.**

25 schools

Indiana

Barbering 1500 hours
Cosmetology 1500 hours
Nail Technician 450 hours
Esthetician 700 hours

Reciprocity: The state or country you hold a license in must require at least 1500 hours of education or one (1) year of licensed practice is equal to one hundred (100) hours of education to an applicant who has completed a minimum of one thousand (1000) hours of education. The jurisdiction must also require at least 70% passing on the written and practical exams. **So: it would take 5 years of work experience to transfer a license to Indiana, with only 1000 hours of education.**

If an applicant comes from a jurisdiction that issues a cosmetologist license but does not meet Indiana's minimum reciprocity requirements, they may transfer their hours from their original out-of-state school to a beauty culture school in Indiana. The applicant would need to graduate from the Indiana approved beauty culture school and then apply by examination. **Beauty culture schools may accept hours from an out-of-state school, but are not required by the board to do so.**

The number of hours reflects the applicant's state's minimum education requirement rather than the actual number of hours that were obtained. **If the applicant completed extra hours above and beyond the state's minimum requirement, the extra hours would**

not apply. So: the ability of a school to offer additional training in Roegner's bill, would not enable those hours to transfer, as they would not be certified by the state.

Barber reciprocity similar to cosmetology requirements.

Esthetics: The state or country you hold a license in must require at least 700 hours of education. If not, One (1) year of licensed practice may substitute for one hundred (100) hours of education to an applicant who has completed a minimum of 400 hours of education.

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If an applicant comes from a jurisdiction that issues an esthetician license but does not meet Indiana's minimum reciprocity requirements, they may transfer their hours from their original out-of-state school to a beauty culture school in Indiana. The applicant would need to graduate from the Indiana approved beauty culture school and then apply by examination. Beauty culture schools may accept hours from an out-of-state school, but are not required by the board to do so.

Nail Technician: essentially the same requirements for reciprocity as other licenses.

96 schools

Kentucky

Barbering 1500 hours
Cosmetology 1500
Nail Technician 450
Esthetics 750

Reciprocity: If the applicant's hours obtained out-of state are equivalent to Kentucky's hourly requirement then the applicant will apply as an Out-of-State Exam applicant.

If the applicant does not have enough hours to match Kentucky's hourly requirement the applicant must complete remaining hours required for that license in a school of cosmetology in Kentucky before applying for the licensing exam.

Please Note: Kentucky will only accept the amount of hours the state you are transferring from requires for licensing. (Example: Florida requires 1250 hours to be licensed as a cosmetologist – that is the maximum amount of hours that we will accept from that state). So, no optional education as per Roegner's bill.

Any person who holds an out-of-state license and gained licensure by a nationally certified examination may apply for licensure without completing the NIC examination in Kentucky. Approved transfers will not be required to complete an examination for licensure in the state of Kentucky.

Any person who holds an out-of-state license that did not complete a nationally certified examination to obtain licensure in the transferring state will be required to successfully complete the NIC examination, theory and practical, before licensure will be granted in Kentucky.

Barber reciprocity: Section 1. (1) Any person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and of good moral character and temperate habits, who has a current license or certificate of registration as a practicing barber of another state or other board recognizing authority, which has substantially the same requirements for licensing or registering barbers as are required of KRS Chapter 317 and 201 KAR Chapter 14, shall, upon payment of the fee required by 201 KAR 14:180, be granted permission to take an examination to determine his fitness to receive a license to practice barbering.

Section 2. If an applicant is coming from a state or other board recognizing authority without substantially the same requirements, the applicant shall have been a registered barber and worked for three (3) years, in accordance with KRS 317.450(1)(e). (KBB:Lic:Non-Res-1; 1 Ky.R. 725; Am. 1224; eff. 5-14-1975; 10 Ky.R. 893; eff. 2-1-1984; 40 Ky.R. 1861; 2414; eff. 6-6-2014.)

64 schools

Pennsylvania

Barbering 1250

Cosmetology 1250

Nail Technician 200

Esthetics 300

The Pennsylvania Board of Cosmetology and the Pennsylvania Board of Barber Examiners requires all candidates to submit an official Criminal History Record Information check with their applications for licensure examinations, reactivation, and reciprocity.

Applicants will need to supply an official Criminal History Record Information check from the State Police or other state agency for every state in which the candidate has resided during the past five years. The reports must be dated within ninety (90) days of the date of the application.

Reciprocity agreements are subject to change, so please contact the board to review the requirements: www.dos.state.pa.us/cosmet.

Non-Reciprocal States:

If you hold a current license in a state where Pennsylvania DOES NOT have an understanding of reciprocity you are required to take and pass the combined theory/procedural skill computer based exam. Please complete and submit a cosmetology application and review the instructions.

50 schools

Michigan

Barbering 1800

Cosmetology 1500

Nail Technician 400

Esthetics 400

Sec. 1211.

(1) Upon submission of an application to the department, an individual licensed to perform cosmetology services under the laws of another state shall, without examination, be granted a license to practice the services for which that individual was previously licensed if the applicant is not less than 17 years of age, is of good moral character, and the requirements for registration or licensure in the particular state were **substantially equal** to the requirements then in force in this state.

(2) Years or months of experience may be substituted for hours of training in a ratio of 100 hours of training credited for each 6 months of experience. An individual applying for licensure having qualifications acquired outside of the United States shall provide proof of training or experience, or both. The department may determine whether or not an applicant is qualified to be licensed without examination. **Therefore, 2 1/2 years of work in a salon would be necessary to transfer an Ohio cosmetology license to Michigan.**

100 schools