

20:48:03.01:04. Criteria for approval of examinations. The criteria to be used by the board to approve the licensure examinations include:

- (1) The examination is national in the scope of its credentialing;
- (2) The examination is based on job analysis or role delineation studies and the examination content is specified in a test plan that is available to the board and examinees;
- (3) Examination items are reviewed for content validity, cultural sensitivity, and correct scoring;
- (4) Examinations are evaluated for psychometric performance and the passing standard is established;
- (5) Examination security is maintained;
- (6) The eligibility requirements for the examination include a master's degree in nursing; and
- (7) A program for certification renewal is established.

If an examination is not available which includes eligibility requirements for a master's degree, the applicant may petition the board for exception to subdivision (6) of this section.

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