

GEORGIA BOARD OF PHARMACY
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**PHARMACIST RECIPROCITY APPLICATION INFORMATION
AND SUPPLEMENT**

License transfer/reciprocity applications are available through NABP's Electronic Licensure transfer Program (ELTP). Reciprocity applicants must take and pass the MPJE, administered by NABP and the Georgia practical, administered by the Georgia Board of Pharmacy.

Information on the ELTP and MPJE is available at <http://www.nabp.pharmacy> .

Applications must be received four (4) weeks prior to the exam dates in order to be considered. **Please note that timely submission does not guarantee seating at the next scheduled exam due to limited seating availability.**

**APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE BY LICENSE TRANSFER/RECIPROCITY IN
GEORGIA:**

The following items must be received in order to be considered for license transfer/reciprocity:

- **Official license transfer/reciprocity application:** NABP will notify the applicant after the application is complete and has been forwarded to the board. You do not need to send anything from NABP.

PLEASE MAIL THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO THE BOARD OFFICE:

- **Required fees made payable to the GA Board of Pharmacy as follows:**
 - \$500 non-refundable application fee and practical exam fee; and
 - \$50 non-refundable decorative wall certificate fee. These fees must be submitted in two separate checks.
- **Affidavit regarding citizenship:** Be sure to respond to one of the two questions, sign, and have your signature notarized.
- **Secure and Verifiable Document (SVD):** See attached list of acceptable documents. You are only required to send one of the documents listed.

Prior legal and/or disciplinary actions:

- **Court/ Legal documents regarding Prior convictions or sanctions:** If you have ever been arrested, convicted, sentenced, pled guilty to, pled nolo contendere to, given first offender status for the commission of a felony, misdemeanor, or other offence other than a minor traffic violation? (DUI and DUI's are **not** minor violations.) **AND/OR** Have you ever been sanctioned by any other regulatory Board or Agency? You must attach official documents regarding such incident(s). Official documentation will contain the charge/violation and disposition/final ruling.
- **Letter of explanation:** If you have had any prior arrests, convictions, sanctions or etc., please submit a personal letter of explanation, giving your account of the reported incident(s).

Note: Applications are viable for one year from the date received at the board office. Application processing time is 25 – 30 business days.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION:

- **MPJE examination:** You must register for the MPJE with NABP before the Georgia Board of Pharmacy is able to submit eligibility for testing authorization. Access the MPJE Registration Bulletin at www.nabp.pharmacy , which provides information regarding fees, exams, etc. Information regarding times and locations for the MPJE is obtained through NABP. **MPJE examination results are valid for two years.**

You may access Board Rules and Laws at www.gbp.georgia.gov .

- **Practical examination:** Your practical examination date will be assigned to you upon receipt of a completed license transfer/reciprocity application. All applicants are required to travel to Georgia for this examination. Examination dates, times, and locations are available at: <https://gbp.georgia.gov/events> . **Practical examination results have no expiration date.**

You may access the candidate information bulletin at:

https://gbp.georgia.gov/sites/gbp.georgia.gov/files/related_files/document/Candidate%20Information%20Bulletin%20-%20Updated%20December%202017.pdf

Reciprocity Information:

Applicants must reciprocate from the first state in which he/she was licensed by examination. That state's license must be current and in good standing.

Each candidate submitting an application for a pharmacist license must take and pass the MPJE with an overall passing score of 75%. If you fail the MPJE, NABP requires that you wait 31 days to be re-examined. NAPLEX and MPJE scores are valid for two (2) years. Applicants are also required to obtain a minimum score of 75 on the Georgia Practical examination. A score less than 70% on any section of the Georgia practical examination invalidates all the scores from that administration.

Applicants who graduated from a foreign school of pharmacy and who are licensed in a state that did not require the FPGEC (Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Committee) Certification, must complete the FPGEC Certification prior to obtaining licensure in Georgia.

For more information on reciprocity requirements, please view the Georgia state laws and Board rules on our website at www.gbp.georgia.gov .

Affidavit Regarding Citizenship

Please submit this document along with a copy of your secure & verifiable document to the Board office as indicated on the application. Please mail to the Board office. Faxed or emailed documents are not accepted.

Reciprocity Applicant Name: _____

Last 4 of SSN : _____

APPLICANT AFFIDAVIT:

I hereby swear and affirm that all information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further swear and affirm that I have read and understand the current state laws and rules and regulations of the Board for which I am applying for licensure and I agree to abide by these laws and rules, as amended from time to time.

By signing this application, I hereby swear and affirm one of the following to be true and accurate pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1 (check one):

- 1) _____ I am a United States citizen 18 years of age or older. **Please submit a copy of your current Secure and Verifiable Document(s) such as driver's license, passport, or document as indicated on the Board's website.**

- 2) _____ I am not a United States citizen, but I am a legal permanent resident of the United States 18 years of age or older, or I am a qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act 18 years of age or older with an alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency. **Please submit a copy of your current immigration document(s) which includes either your Alien number or your I-94 number and, if needed, SEVIS number.**

In making the above attestation, I understand that any failure to make full and accurate disclosures may result in disciplinary action by the Board for which I am applying for licensure and/or criminal prosecution.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned official authorized to administer oaths, comes

_____ who deposes and swears that he/she is the person who executed this affidavit
(Applicant's Printed Name)

for a professional license application in the State of Georgia; and that all statements herein contained are true to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires:

(Notary Seal)

Secure and Verifiable Documents Under **O.C.G.A. § 50-36-2**

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The Illegal Immigration Reform and Enforcement Act of 2011 ("IIREA"), as amended by Senate Bill 160, signed into law as Act No. 27, (2013), provides that "[n]o later than August 1, 2011, the Attorney General shall provide and make public on the Department of Law's website a list of acceptable secure and verifiable documents. The list shall be reviewed and updated annually by the Attorney General." O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(g). The Attorney General may modify this list on a more frequent basis, if necessary.

The following list of secure and verifiable documents, published under the authority of O.C.G.A. §50-36-2, contains documents that are verifiable for identification purposes, and documents on this list may not necessarily be indicative of residency or immigration status.

- An unexpired United States passport or passport card [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 8 CFR § 274a.2]
- An unexpired United States military identification card [O.C.G.A. § 50-36-2(b)(3); 8 CFR § 274a.2]
- An unexpired driver's license issued by one of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands, the United States Virgin Island, American Samoa, or the Swain Islands, provided that it contains a photograph of the bearer or lists sufficient identifying information regarding the bearer, such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color, and address to enable the identification of the bearer [O.C.G.A. § 50-36-2(b)(3); 8 CFR §274a.2]¹
- An unexpired identification card issued by one of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands, the United States Virgin Island, American Samoa, or the Swain Islands, provided that it contains a photograph of the bearer or lists sufficient identifying information regarding the bearer, such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color, and address to enable the identification of the bearer [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 8 CFR §274a.2]

¹ For identification presented to poll workers when voting, a registered Georgia voter may present an expired Georgia driver's license as proof of identification when voting pursuant to O.C.G.A. §21-2-417.

- An unexpired tribal identification card of a federally recognized Native American tribe, provided that it contains a photograph of the bearer or lists sufficient identifying information regarding the bearer, such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color, and address to enable the identification of the bearer. A listing of federally recognized Native American tribes may be found at: <http://www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/BIA/OIS/TribalGovernmentServices/TribalDirectory/index.htm> [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 8 CFR §274a.2]
- An unexpired United States Permanent Resident Card or Alien Registration Receipt Card [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 8 CFR §274a.2]
- An unexpired Employment Authorization Document that contains a photograph of the bearer [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 8 CFR §274a.2]
- An unexpired passport issued by a foreign government, provided that such passport is accompanied by a United States Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") Form I-94, DHS Form I-94A, DHS Form I-94W, or other federal form specifying an individual's lawful immigration status or other proof of lawful presence under federal immigration law² [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 8 CFR §274a.2]
- An unexpired Merchant Mariner Document or Merchant Mariner Credential issued by the United States Coast Guard [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 8 CFR §274a.2]
- An unexpired Free and Secure Trade (FAST) card [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 22 CFR §41.2]
- An unexpired NEXUS card [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 22 CFR §41.2]
- An unexpired Secure Electronic Network for Travelers Rapid Inspection (SENTRI) card [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 22 CFR §41.2]
- An unexpired driver's license issued by a Canadian government authority [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 8 CFR §274a.2]
- A Certificate of Citizenship issued by the United States Department of Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) (Form N-560 or Form N-561) [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 6 CFR §37.11]

² Senate Bill 160 (Act No. 27), effective July 1, 2013, limited the use of passports issued by foreign nations to satisfy the requirements for submission of secure and verifiable documents to only those passports submitted in conjunction with a United States Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") Form I-94, DHS Form I-94A, DHS Form I-94W, or other federal form specifying an individual's lawful immigration status or other proof of lawful presence under federal immigration law.

- A Certificate of Naturalization issued by the United States Department of Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) (Form N-550 or Form N-570) [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 6 CFR §37.11]
- Certification of Report of Birth issued by the United States Department of State (Form DS-1350) [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 6 CFR §37.11]
- Certification of Birth Abroad issued by the United States Department of State (Form FS-545) [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 6 CFR §37.11]
- Consular Report of Birth Abroad issued by the United States Department of State (Form FS-240) [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 6 CFR §37.11]
- An original or certified copy of a birth certificate issued by a State, county, municipal authority, or territory of the United States bearing an official seal [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(b)(3); 6 CFR §37.11]
- When applying for any public benefit with the Department of Driver Services, an applicant may submit either an expired or unexpired document that is listed above as a secure and verifiable document. [O.C.G.A. §§ 50-36-1(g) & 50-36-2(b)(3)]
- When applying for a voter identification card pursuant to O.C.G.A. §21-2-417.1, an individual may submit the aggregate forms of identification authorized by O.C.G.A. §21-2-417.1(e).
- In addition to the documents listed herein, if, in administering a public benefit or program, an agency is required by federal law to accept a document or other form of identification for proof of or documentation of identity, that document or other form of identification will be deemed a secure and verifiable document solely for that particular program or administration of that particular public benefit. [O.C.G.A. §50-36-2(c)]
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