MICHIGAN COSMETOLOGY LICENSING GUIDE

ELIGIBILITY FOR LICENSING - COSMETOLOGIST

- Complete not less than 1,500 hours of cosmetology training in a licensed school of cosmetology or performs a 2-year apprenticeship program within a licensed cosmetology establishment.
  - Experience may substitute for training in a ratio of 6 months of experience for 100 hours of training.
- Submit application at [www.michigan.gov/mylicense](http://www.michigan.gov/mylicense). The fee due at the time of the application is $39.
  - Applicants must be at least 17 years of age, be of good moral character, and have an education equivalent to the completion of the 9th grade.
- Pass the required theory and practical examination administered by PSI Services, LLC (PSI). The cost of the examination is $161.

ELIGIBILITY FOR LICENSING – MANICURIST, ESTHETICIAN, NATURAL HAIR CULTURIST, OR ELECTROLOGIST

- Complete not less than 400 hours of training in a licensed school of cosmetology or performs a 6-month apprenticeship program within a licensed cosmetology establishment.
  - Experience may substitute for training in a ratio of 3 months of experience for 100 hours of training.
- Submit application at [www.michigan.gov/mylicense](http://www.michigan.gov/mylicense). The fee due at the time of the application is $39.
  - Applicants must be at least 17 years of age (18 years of age for an electrologist), be of good moral character, and have an education equivalent to the completion of the 9th grade.
- Pass the required theory and practical examination administered by PSI Services, LLC (PSI). The cost of the examination is $161.

ELIGIBILITY FOR LICENSING – COSMETOLOGY, MANICURIST, ESTHETICIAN, NATURAL HAIR CULTURIST, OR ELECTROLOGY INSTRUCTOR

- Complete not less than 500 hours of training (for cosmetology instructor) or 300 hours of training (all other areas of cosmetology) in a licensed school of cosmetology.
- Possess at least 3 years of practical experience with at least 1 year of which shall be in a licensed cosmetology establishment. Work experience is not
required if applying for a limited cosmetology, limited electrology, or limited specialist instructor license.

- Pass the required examination administered by PSI Services, LLC (PSI). The cost of the examination is $91.
- Submit Instructor License Application found at www.michigan.gov/cosmetology. The fee due at the time of the application is $63.
  - Applicants must be of good moral character; have a high school diploma or equivalent; is licensed as a cosmetologist, manicurist, electrologist, natural hair culturist, or esthetician.

*Records unavailable from a foreign country in relation to education or experience shall be allowed upon submitting the following to the department:

(a) A notarized affidavit approved stating the total number of years of education received, the name of the school or schools attended, the dates each school was attended, the degree obtained, the courses taken, the grades received, and the names of each former employer.
(b) A notarized statement approved from a governmental official testifying to the unavailability of the necessary records.