Ohio Revised Code
Section 4715.10 Application for license.
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(A) As used in this section, "accredited dental college" means a dental college accredited by the commission on dental accreditation or a dental college that has educational standards recognized by the commission on dental accreditation and is approved by the state dental board.

(B) Each person who desires to practice dentistry in this state shall file a written application for a license with the secretary of the state dental board. The application shall be on a form prescribed by the board and verified by oath. Each applicant shall furnish satisfactory proof to the board that the applicant has met the requirements of divisions (C) and (D) of this section, and if the applicant is a graduate of an unaccredited dental college located outside the United States, division (E) of this section.

(C) To be granted a license to practice dentistry, an applicant must meet all of the following requirements:

1. Be at least eighteen years of age;

2. Be a graduate of an accredited dental college or of a dental college located outside the United States who meets the standards adopted under section 4715.11 of the Revised Code;

3. Have passed parts I and II of the examination given by the national board of dental examiners;

4. Have passed a written jurisprudence examination administered by the state dental board under division (E)(2) of section 4715.03 of the Revised Code;

5. Pay the fee required by division (A)(1) of section 4715.13 of the Revised Code.

(D) To be granted a license to practice dentistry, an applicant must meet any one of the following requirements:
(1) Have taken an examination administered by any of the following regional testing agencies and received a passing score on the examination as determined by the administering agency: the central regional dental testing service, inc., northeast regional board of dental examiners, inc., the commission on dental competency assessments, the southern regional dental testing agency, inc., the council of interstate testing agencies, inc., or the western regional examining board;

(2) Have taken an examination administered by the state dental board and received a passing score as established by the board;

(3) Possess a license in good standing from another state and have actively engaged in the legal and reputable practice of dentistry in another state or in the armed forces of the United States, the United States public health service, or the United States department of veterans' affairs for five years immediately preceding application;

(4) Have completed a dental residency program accredited or approved by the commission on dental accreditation and administered by an accredited dental college or hospital.

(E) To be granted a license to practice dentistry, a graduate of an unaccredited dental college located outside the United States must meet both of the following requirements:

(1) Have taken a basic science and laboratory examination consistent with rules adopted under section 4715.11 of the Revised Code and received a passing score as established by the board;

(2) Have had sufficient clinical training in an accredited institution to reasonably assure a level of competency equal to that of graduates of accredited dental colleges, as determined by the board.