

IDAPA 24 – DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES
IDAHO BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS
24.04.01 – Rules of the Board of Registration for Professional Geologists

Who does this rule apply to?

This rule applies to applicants, and registrants for geologists.

What is the purpose of this rule?

*This rule governs the practice of geology in Idaho to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.
This rule establishes:*

- Minimum standards of competency and qualifications for applicants;
- Fees related to
- registration;
- Standards of practice; and
- Requirements for geologists in training

What is the legal authority for the agency to promulgate this rule?

This rule implements the following statute passed by the Idaho Legislature:

Professions, Vocations, and Businesses -

- [54-2801 through 54-2822, Idaho Code](#) – Geologists

Who do I contact for more information on this rule?

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000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.

These rules are promulgated pursuant to Sections 54-2808, 67-2604, 67-2614, 67-9409, and 67-9406, Idaho Code. (7-1-25)

001. SCOPE.

These rules govern the practice of geology in Idaho. (3-28-23)

002. DEFINITIONS.

01. Geologist-in-Training. An individual who has met the academic qualifications established by the Board, who has successfully passed a written examination demonstrating knowledge of the Fundamentals of Geology, and who has been enrolled as a Geologist-in-Training by the Board. (7-1-25)

02. Responsible Position. A position in which a person, has independent control, direction, or supervision of a geological project, and who investigates and interprets geologic features. (7-1-25)

03. Responsible Charge. Control and direction of geology work, requiring initiative, professional skill, independent judgment, and professional knowledge of the content of relevant documents during their preparation. (7-1-25)

003. -- 099. (RESERVED)

100. LICENSURE.

01. Examination. Except as otherwise provided in statute, every Applicant for registration as a professional geologist shall take and pass the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology and Practice of Geology Examinations. Applicants who have completed the educational requirements of Section 54-2812, Idaho Code, may be eligible to take the Fundamentals of Geology examination prior to graduation. (7-1-25)

a. Authorization. (7-1-25)

i. Not less than ninety (90) days prior to the examination date, the Applicant shall give written notice to the Board of the applicant's intent to take the examination. Not less than thirty (30) days prior to the examination date, the Board shall notify each Applicant in writing of the acceptance or rejection of the application, and, if rejected by the Board, the reason for the rejection. (7-1-25)

b. Reexamination. An Applicant failing their first examination may apply for reexamination without filing a new Application and shall be entitled to such reexamination on payment of the reexamination fee. (7-1-25)

c. Scores. An Applicant for registration by examination must successfully pass both the Fundamentals of Geology examination and the Practice of Geology examination. The passing score is determined by ASBOG. An Applicant who has passed only the Fundamentals of Geology examination is eligible to receive a certificate as a Geologist-in-Training. An Applicant who has passed the Practice of Geology examination is eligible to apply for registration as a professional geologist. (7-1-25)

02. Geologist-In-Training. An Applicant who has passed the Fundamentals of Geology examination will receive a certificate of completion designating the Applicant as a Geologist-in-Training. A Geologist-in-Training shall not practice without supervision. Certification as a Geologist-in-Training is limited to ten (10) years. (7-1-25)

101. -- 199. (RESERVED)

200. PRACTICE STANDARDS.

01. Certificates. Certificates of registration are issued to each Registrant on forms adopted by the Board. (7-1-25)

02. Seals. The seal may be a rubber stamp, crimp, or electronically generated image. The Registrant's signature and date are also included. A signature may be a handwritten or digital signature. If the signature is handwritten, it will be adjacent to or across the seal. No further words or wording are required. (See "Appendix A" at end of this Chapter.) (7-1-25)

a. The seal, signature, and date must be placed on all final specifications, reports, information, and calculations. A document that is not final and does not contain a seal, signature, and date will be marked as “Preliminary,” “Draft,” or “Not for Construction.” (7-1-25)

b. The seal, signature, and date must be placed on all original documents. The application of the Registrant’s seal, signature, and date constitutes certification that the work was done by the Registrant or under the Registrant’s supervision. Each plan or drawing sheet is sealed and signed by the Registrant or Registrants responsible for each sheet. In the case of a business entity, each plan or drawing sheet is sealed and signed by the Registrant or Registrants involved. The supervising professional geologist signs and seals the title or first sheet. Only the title page of reports, specifications, and like documents need bear the seal, signature, and date. (7-1-25)

c. In the event a Registrant in responsible charge of a project is not available to seal, sign, and date final documents, the duty of responsible charge for the project is accomplished by successor Registrant by becoming familiar with and reviewing, in detail, and retaining the project documents to date. Subsequent work on the project must clearly and accurately reflect the successor Registrant’s responsible charge. The successor Registrant must seal, sign, and date all work product. (7-1-25)

201. -- 399. (RESERVED)

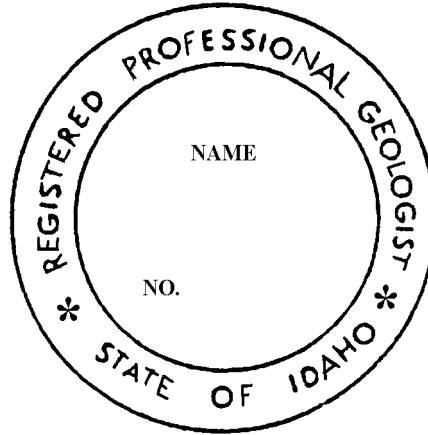
400. FEES.

FEE TYPE	AMOUNT
Application	\$100
Initial Certificate	\$20
Annual Renewal	\$100
Annual Renewal for Registrants Seventy (70) Years of Age or Older	One-half (1/2) of renewal fee
Reinstatement	\$200, pursuant to Section 54-2816, Idaho Code
Duplicate Certificate	\$20

(7-1-25)

401. -- 999. (RESERVED)

APPENDIX A



SEAL OF REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST
Diameter of Outer Ring: 1 1/2 Inches
Diameter of Inner Ring: 1 Inch