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EXAMINATIONS

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330-X-8-.01      Classifications Of Examinations.

Examinations as required by the Alabama Law will be classified as follows:

- (a) Examination in the Fundamentals of Engineering Subjects - FE Exam - Exam I, National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) Exam
- (b) Examination in the Principles and Practice of Engineering - PE Exam - Exam II, NCEES Exam and/or NCEES Structural Engineering Exam
- (c) Examination in the Fundamentals of Surveying- FS Exam - Exam I, NCEES Exam
- (d) Examination in the Principles and Practice of Surveying - PS Exam - Exam II, NCEES Exam
- (e) Alabama Land Surveying Standards, History, and Law - ALSS - Exam III, Alabama Exam

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### **330-X-8-.02                    Eligibility For Examination.**

(1) Engineer applicants will not be scheduled to take Exam II (PE) until Exam I (FE) has been passed. Land Surveyor applicants will not be scheduled to take Exam III (ALSS) until Exam I (FS) and Exam II (PS) has been passed.

(2) No candidate may take the ALSS Examination until the Board has established his or her eligibility for examination.

(3) Candidates for the FE Examination, FS Examination, PE Examination, SE Examination and the PS Examination may schedule an examination in accordance with NCEES policy.

(4) An examination candidate, if approved, is allowed unlimited attempts within a one-year period.

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### **330-X-8-.03                    Examination Dates And Locations.**

(1) Examinations for the FE, PE, SE, FS, and PS are offered on dates set by NCEES. The written examination for the ALSS is offered on dates set by the Board.

(2) PE, SE, and PS Examinations. Locations at which the examinations are given are designated by NCEES.

(3) ALSS Examinations. Locations at which the examination is given are designated by the Board.

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#### 330-X-8-.04 Examinations In The English Language.

All examinations will be in the English language.

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#### 330-X-8-.05 Study Information (Repealed 2/14/2025).

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#### 330-X-8-.06 Instructions For Examination.

Instructions provided prior to each examination will furnish information regarding whether the examination is open, or closed, or limited reference book. On an open book examination, textbooks and bound classroom manuals are permitted. On a limited reference examination, the only reference material allowed will be furnished. More specific instructions will be provided prior to the examination.

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**330-X-8-.07****Examination Offerings For The ALSS Examination.**

(1) An applicant successfully qualifying for an examination will be notified in advance of the examination for which the exam fee has been paid.

(a) Should the applicant fail to take the ALSS examination offered or fail to pass the examination and plans to retake the examination, the applicant must pay the examination fee as set by the Board. Should the applicant fail to take the examination or fail to pass the examination applied for, the fee paid is not refundable.

(b) In the event an applicant fails to pass the examination after one year, the applicant will be notified that the application has been closed.

(c) If an application is closed, in order to be considered for further examinations, an applicant must file a new application, and pay the application fee as required by Law. The applicant must meet the eligibility requirements of the current Law and Administrative Code.

(d) In the event the requalified applicant again fails to pass the examination after one (1) year, the application will be closed, and the procedure as outlined in (d) above would then be repeated before further consideration would be afforded the applicant.

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**330-X-8-.07.01****Examination Offerings For The FE, FS, PE, SE and PS Examinations.**

(1) An individual wishing to take the FE, FS, PE, SE or PS examination will register with NCEES.

(2) An individual failing the FE, FS, PE, SE or PS examination may be allowed to retake the examination in accordance with NCEES policy.

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### **330-X-8-.08                    Examination Results.**

Examination results will be approved by the Board. The passing score on each NCEES examination will be determined by NCEES.

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### **330-X-8-.09                    Failed Examination.**

(1) There will be no review of failed exams.

(2) If an applicant does not attend an examination for which he or she has been scheduled, it does not count as a failure of the examination.

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### **330-X-8-.10                    Examination For Record Purposes.**

(1) Any engineer licensed by this Board may take for record purposes the Fundamentals of Engineering Examination, the Principles and Practice of Engineering Examination or the

Structural Engineering Examination prepared by the NCEES upon payment of the fees to NCEES.

(2) Any land surveyor licensed by this Board may take for record purposes the Fundamentals of Surveying and the Principles and Practice of Surveying Examination prepared by NCEES upon payment of the fees to NCEES.

(3) Failure to pass the examination will in no way affect current licensure.

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### 330-X-8-.11

#### Examination Of Candidates With Disabilities.

Accommodations made for disabled persons shall comply with applicable federal and state laws and regulations. Application procedures will be as specified by NCEES.

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#### Materials Permitted In Examination.

(1) Devices or materials that might compromise the security of the examination or examination process are not permitted.

(2) Only materials specified by the Board.

(3) Each candidate will be required to sign a statement that he or she will neither copy nor divulge any examination problem or solution and that any violation thereof will be sufficient grounds for invalidating the candidate's examination.

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