

**CERTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY RULES
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Pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, §§41 22 5(b) and 41 22 6(c) (2)a. and b.

I certify that the attached emergency amendment is a correct copy as promulgated and adopted on Friday, May 8, 2026.

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Board of Nursing Alabama

RULE NO. AND TITLE: 610-X-14-.03 Permit By Examination

EXPIRATION DATE OF RULE: Saturday, September 5, 2026

NATURE OF EMERGENCY: The change is necessary to ensure that qualified applicants may be issued permits for entry to practice as Medication Assistants, Certified, during the APA rule adoption process. Failure to certify the changes on an emergency basis could result in a narrowing of the applicants pool for these vital caregivers in Alabama hospitals and nursing homes

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 34-21-2

SUBJECT OF RULE TO BE ADOPTED ON A PERMANENT BASIS: Yes

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Permit By Examination.

(1) The Board shall ~~determine the official examination for~~approve appropriate examinations for certification of a medication assistant, certified ~~permits~~.

(2) Each individual seeking entry into practice as a medication assistant, certified in Alabama shall give official evidence of having met a passing standard on ~~the~~a Board-~~designated official~~approved examination.

(3) Examination performance for each applicant shall be measured as provided by ~~the~~a Board-approved testing service. In the event that examination data are lost or destroyed through circumstances beyond the control of the Board, the applicant shall be required to retake ~~the~~an examination in order to meet requirements for permit.

(4) A Pass-Fail designation shall be recorded as the official result. An applicant who fails ~~the~~a certification examination shall not be approved or receive a permit and is not authorized to practice as a medication assistant, certified in Alabama.

(5) Official results shall be released by the Board to the applicant and the program from which the applicant graduated. Results may be released electronically or by mail at the Board's discretion. The Board shall not otherwise release individual examination results without written authorization from the applicant or licensee.

(6) An applicant who fails ~~the~~a certification examination in another jurisdiction or territory shall not be eligible for licensure by examination in Alabama until eligibility has been established by the original jurisdiction or territory.

(7) Any MAC practicing under the nursing delegation program described in §610-X-7-.11 prior to January 1, 2022 shall be issued a permit to practice as a MAC in the state of Alabama. Such permits shall be valid through December 31, 2023, at which time the permit may be renewed during the renewal period for MACs.

Author: Alabama Board of Nursing

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §34-21-2.1.

History: New Rule: Published September 30, 2021; effective November 14, 2021. Amended (ER): Filed May 8, 2026; effective May 8, 2026; expires 120 days, September 5, 2026.