



Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board

Application for Licensure as a Professional Surveyor by Comity

INSTRUCTIONS

NOTE: Applications are subject to revision and modification at any time. In order to ensure timely processing, please verify that you are submitting the most current version of our application form (see www.LAPELS.com).

- Read all of the instructions before you begin.
- You must include your **NCEES ID #**
- Applications must be typed (hand written applications are not acceptable)
- Applications & all supporting documents must be received by the LAPELS exam application deadline, as you will be required to take the La. Laws of Surveying exam in April or October.
- Complete all required sections of the application; incomplete applications will not be processed.
- After you have completed the application, please mail it to LAPELS, 9643 Brookline Avenue, Suite 121, Baton Rouge, LA 70809. Make check or money order payable to LAPELS.

In addition to the Application as a Professional surveyor by Comity, please also submit the following which you will find under “Supporting Document Forms for Applications”:

- Personal Reference Forms
- Verification of Experience Forms
- **Laws and Rules Quiz, Professionalism & Ethics Quiz and Louisiana Standards of Practice for Boundary Surveys Quiz** – Complete the Online Laws and Rules, the Online Professionalism & Ethics and the Online Louisiana Standards of Practice for Boundary Surveys quizzes [here](#). You and the LAPELS staff will receive an email confirmation once you have achieved a minimum score of 90%.
- Surveyor Course Evaluation Form (*unless previously submitted with LSI application*)
- Transcript Request Form (send to university)
- Verification of Licensure/Certification/ Examination

Surveyor Course Evaluation Form – complete the form - 30 semester credit hours must include a minimum of 15 semester credit hours in **Surveying** courses of which 3 semester credit hours must be a **Boundary Surveying** course, a minimum of 3 semester credit hours in **Mapping** courses and 3 semester credit hours in **Real Property** courses. *If the courses you have taken are not on our approved list (see website), you must submit syllabi for those courses with your application.*

Section 1 – Personal Information

- Open the appropriate application and complete all fields, entering your full legal name and social security number.

Louisiana Revised Statute 37:23 requires that every application by an individual for a professional license, permit or certificate shall require the applicant's social security number. Disclosure of your social security number is mandatory for this purpose and for purposes of establishing, modifying or enforcing family and child support obligations and locating an individual who is under an obligation to pay family or child support under La. R.S. 46:236.1.1, et seq. Failure to provide your social security number for these mandatory purposes will result in the denial of your licensure, permit or certificate application. Disclosure of your social security number is voluntary for disclosure to other state regulatory agencies, testing and examination vendors, law enforcement agencies, and other private federations and associations involved in professional regulation. Such disclosure is for identification purposes only. Your social security number will not be released for any other purpose not provided by law.

- Enter dates using this format: MM/DD/YYYY
- Do not leave any section blank. State 'N/A' where applicable
- Provide a phone number and email address where you can be reached during the day.

Section 2 – Education – indicate **ALL** colleges/universities attended where a degree was conferred or is in progress, or where you have completed surveying coursework

- **Transcript Request form** – after completing the appropriate fields, print this form and send on to each college/university you attended. Transcripts must be submitted directly to LAPELS by the college/university per LAPELS per §Rule 1701.C. (send to university, or request EScripts addressed to transcripts@lapels.com). **Transcripts which have been issued to the applicant in an envelope sealed by the university will be rejected by LAPELS.**
- **NCEES Dashboard** – If you have an NCEES dashboard that contains this information, no further action is needed.

Section 3 – Examination and Licensure/Certification in Louisiana and Other Jurisdictions,

Residency/Exam Attempts – indicate any examinations/certifications/licenses relative to professional surveying licensure in Louisiana or any other jurisdiction; state(s) in which you resided one year prior to taking an exam, and number of attempts made at an exam.

- **Verification of Licensure/Certification/Examination** – from state licensing boards where you were **FIRST** certified and licensed. **If your original license is inactive, please also provide verification of active licensure.**
- **Online Verification Process** – If you have an NCEES account, you will need to login to your “MyNCEES” and request the electronic verification there. If you do not have an account, it is free to sign up and you can begin your electronic verification submittal. We have listed the States that participate in online verifications with NCEES on the LAPELS website under “verifications”.

- **NCEES Dashboard** – If you have an NCEES dashboard that contains this information, no further action is needed.
- **Manual Verification of Licensure/Examination Form** – Use **ONLY** if the State where you are licensed does not participate in the electronic verification.

Section 4 – Personal References – list those individuals you have asked to provide personal references.

- **Personal Reference Forms** – after completing the appropriate fields, print five (5) forms and send a **form** and **instructions to personal references** to those you have selected to provide a personal reference for you. Personal Reference forms should be returned to you in a signed/sealed envelope and included with your application for submittal to LAPELS. These forms are confidential and should not be opened by the applicant.
- Applications for licensure as a professional engineer or professional land surveyor shall be completed on the most current forms developed by the board. The application shall contain statements showing the applicant's qualifications, and the names and addresses of five personal references. ***None of the five personal references can be an immediate family member or business associate of the applicant. For purposes of this §1701.B, immediate family member is defined as a spouse, child, spouse of a child, sibling, spouse of a sibling, sibling of a spouse, parent, parent of a spouse, stepparent or stepchild. For purposes of this §1701.B, business associate is defined as a subordinate of the applicant, or a consultant or contractor who provides goods or services to the applicant or to a business, entity or agency in which the applicant is an owner, member, officer, director, trustee, partner, principal, manager, employee, associate, consultant or contractor. Three or more of the five personal references furnished by an applicant for licensure as a professional engineer shall be professional engineers holding valid licenses to engage in the practice of engineering issued to them by proper authority of a state, territory, or possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia. Three or more of the five personal references furnished by an applicant for licensure as a professional land surveyor shall be professional land surveyors holding valid licenses to engage in the practice of land surveying issued to them by proper authority of a state, territory, or possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia....***

Section 5 - Violations – if you answer yes to any of these questions, you must submit a detailed description for each violation. Use extra pages if necessary.

Section 6- Firm Licensure – please complete this section whether the firm is or is not yet licensed in Louisiana.

Section 7 - Acknowledgement – print, sign and date or you may also sign using the digital signature.

Section 8 – Experience Record Summary – You must include a **GRAND TOTAL** of all experience on this page. **APPLICATION IS INCOMPLETE WITHOUT THESE GRAND TOTALS.**

- **Experience Record Forms** - see instructions on form
- **Verification of Experience Form** – after completing the appropriate fields, ensure that the “From” and “To” dates, name, title and present address of person most familiar with each engagement match the information on the Experience Record forms. Send a Verification of Experience form and copy of Experience Record which that person will verify, to each supervisor listed on the Experience Record forms. Verification of Experience Forms should be returned to you in a signed/sealed envelope and included with your application for submittal to LAPELS. These forms are confidential and should not be opened by the applicant.

It is your responsibility to submit a complete and accurate application, which includes the required/non-refundable application fee of \$180 (check, credit card authorization form, or money order). Upon receipt of your application, the Board applications staff will process your paperwork and communicate with you concerning any missing or incomplete documentation. Once your application is complete, it will be forwarded to a Board reviewing committee. Processing time for a **complete** application is 6-8 weeks.

A letter will be mailed to you from LAPELS informing you of approval or disapproval.