

**CHAPTER 67-11-15**  
**SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY INTERN APPROVAL**

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**67-11-15-01. Licensure required.**

The school psychologist must hold a restricted North Dakota teaching license issued by the education standards and practices board with a master's degree in school psychology.

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**General Authority:** NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09

**Law Implemented:** NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09; 20 USC 1412(a)(15)

**67-11-15-02. Issuing agency.**

The North Dakota special education licensure in school psychology is issued by the education standards and practices board. A temporary letter of approval, based on the applicant having met certain requirements, may be issued by the:

Superintendent of Public Instruction  
Department of Public Instruction  
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 201  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0440

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**67-11-15-03. Letter of approval standards.**

The documentation of each standard must be verified by the department before any letter of approval is issued.

1. A school psychology intern who does not meet North Dakota requirements for a school psychology license may be granted an approval for the current school year, including the following summer, by meeting the conditions described in this section.
2. Approval will be granted for the current school year, including the following summer, only to personnel who have completed all coursework except for an internship or thesis, or both, or the equivalent. The special education unit that will provide the work setting must submit the following:
  - a. A recommendation of the advisor at an accredited school psychology training institution stating that the candidate is eligible for enrollment in the internship program;
  - b. An outline of remaining coursework with specified dates for completion, including completion of a thesis or equivalent if required for the advanced degree;
  - c. A transcript for the candidate, showing completion of all coursework;

- d. The plan describing how the candidate will be supervised and verifying that the supervision is by a licensed psychologist who has a minimum of two years' school psychology experience or equivalent; and
  - e. A statement regarding the employer-employee status between the special education unit and the candidate. The requirement of the candidate's graduate training program must be consulted to determine whether persons receiving academic credit for their service may be paid by the school or agency for those services.
3. Psychology personnel who have been employed in an agency other than public schools must secure licensure or certification through the North Dakota board of psychological examiners.
  4. Psychology personnel who have met the school psychology licensure requirements in another state and who wish to work as a school psychologist in North Dakota must secure licensure from the education standards and practices board.

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**Law Implemented:** NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09; 20 USC 1412(a)(15)

**67-11-15-04. Application process.**

A school psychology intern application form provided by the department must be submitted for the letter of approval. Information must include the date and the applicant's name, social security number, address, telephone number, teaching certificate number and expiration date if available, recommendation of advisor, outline of remaining coursework, current transcript, plan of supervision, statement regarding the employer-employee status between the special education unit and the candidate, and signature.

**History:** Effective February 1, 2000.

**General Authority:** NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09

**Law Implemented:** NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09; 20 USC 1412(a)(15)

**67-11-15-05. Renewal requirements.**

To renew the school psychology intern letter of approval, the school psychologist intern shall complete the requirements established by the North Dakota department of public instruction as stated in the remaining course of study and satisfactorily meet the supervision plan.

**History:** Effective February 1, 2000.

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**Law Implemented:** NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09; 20 USC 1412(a)(15)

**67-11-15-06. Effective dates.**

The issuance of school psychology letter of approval through September 30, 1999, and from October 1, 1999, is as follows for issuing new letters of approval:

1. Through September 30, 1999, letters of approval may be issued based on both the previous standards identified in the guide I laws, policies and regulations for special education for exceptional children (1993) published by the department of public instruction or the new standards and procedures provided in this chapter.
2. Effective on February 1, 2000, all letters of approval will be issued based on the standards and procedures provided in this chapter.

**History:** Effective February 1, 2000.

**General Authority:** NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09

**Law Implemented:** NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09; 20 USC 1412(a)(15)