

REGULATIONS

OF THE

RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

PROVIDING FOR THE CONDITIONING OF CPA

CANDIDATES

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INTRODUCTION

Passage of the Uniform CPA examination is a requirement for the issuance of a certificate of certified public accountant. The Board has been advised that beginning in May 1994 the structure and format of the examination will change. In order that current and future candidates be properly prepared and advised with respect to the taking of the examination and obtaining credit for various portions of the exam, the Board enacts the following regulations.

FINDING

In considering the adoption of these regulations, the Board of Accountancy finds that such action would not have a significant adverse impact on small business as defined in Chapter 35 of Title 42 of the General Laws of Rhode Island.

REGULATIONS

1. Each candidate must register for and take all subjects on the exam not previously passed.
2. A grade of 75 or higher shall be considered as a passing grade for each subject on the exam.
- 3.a. A candidate who obtains a grade of 75 or higher in two or more exam subjects or, prior to the May 1994 exam, in the single subject of accounting practice, and

who also obtains a grade of at least 50 in all other subjects taken shall be considered to be "conditioned" in those subjects in which the grade of 75 or higher was obtained.

3.b. To add to conditioned credit, a candidate must register for and take all subjects for which conditioning has not been earned and pass at least one subject with a grade of 75 or higher and achieve a grade of at least 50 on all failed subjects.

3.c. A candidate who is conditioned in a subject is not required to take the subject in which he or she is conditioned in a subsequent examination so long as the conditioned status is maintained.

4.a. Any candidate who has achieved conditioned status in a subject or subjects prior to the May, 1991 examination shall retain the conditioned status in such subject or subjects without restriction as to time or exams taken.

4.b. With respect to conditioned status earned after the November, 1990 exam, a candidate may retain such conditioned status in a subject for the next six (6) exams which are taken by the candidate or five (5) years from the date of the exam in which the conditioned status was obtained, whichever first occurs. If a candidate does not pass all subjects within six (6) examinations or five (5) years, whichever first occurs, the candidate will lose all credit and must then apply for all parts of the examination as a reexamination candidate.

5. Commencing with the May, 1994 exam:

5.a. Any candidate who is conditioned in the subject of Auditing or Business Law or both shall retain such conditioned status in the subjects of Auditing (Audit) or

Business Law & Professional Responsibilities (LPR), respectively, or both, until the candidate passes the remaining sections of the exam in which conditioned status has not been obtained or the conditioned status expires, in accordance with these Regulations, whichever first occurs.

5.b. Any candidate who is conditioned in the subject of Accounting Theory shall retain such conditioned status in the subject of Financial Accounting & Reporting - Business Enterprises (FARE) until the candidate passes all of the remaining sections of the exam in which conditioned status has not been obtained or the conditioned status expires, in accordance with these Regulations, whichever first occurs.

5.c. Any candidate who is conditioned in the subject of Accounting Practice shall retain such conditioned status in the subject of Accounting & Reporting -Taxation, Managerial, and Governmental and Not-For-Profit Organizations (ARE) until the candidate passes all of the remaining sections of the exam in which conditioned status has not been obtained or the conditioned status expires, in accordance with these Regulations, whichever first occurs.

6. These Regulations are promulgated and adopted in accordance with G.L.R.I. §5-3-5(d) and shall take effect twenty (20) days after filing with the Secretary of State in accordance with G.L.R.I. §42-35-4(b). These Regulations supersede all prior Regulations of the Board on the same subject.