

CHAPTER 34

**BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
THERAPY EXAMINERS**

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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

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(a) There shall be paid to the State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners the following fees:

1. Application fee \$ 75.00
2. Initial license fee

- i. If paid during the first year of a biennial renewal period \$250.00
- ii. If paid during the second year of a biennial renewal period \$125.00
- 3. Examination fee \$ 65.00
 plus the fee charged by
 Professional Examination Service
- 4. Verification of licensure \$ 25.00
- 5. Temporary permit \$ 75.00
- 6. License renewal fee, biennial \$250.00
- 7. Reinstatement fee \$125.00
- 8. Late renewal fee \$ 50.00
- 9. Replacement wall certificate \$ 40.00
- 10. Duplicate license fee \$ 25.00
- 11. Change of address \$ 25.00

See: 24 N.J.R. 2522(b), 24 N.J.R. 3533(a).
 Revised text.
 Amended by R.1994 d.287, effective June 6, 1994.
 See: 26 N.J.R. 1301(a), 26 N.J.R. 2293(a).
 Amended by R.1997 d.103, effective March 3, 1997.
 See: 28 N.J.R. 4165(a), 29 N.J.R. 783(a).
 In (a), amended title of the Board.
 Amended by R.1998 d.262, effective May 18, 1998.
 See: 30 N.J.R. 793(a), 30 N.J.R. 1842(a).
 In (a), increased fees in 2 and 6.
 Amended by R.2002 d.125, effective April 15, 2002.
 See: 33 N.J.R. 4199(a), 34 N.J.R. 1551(b).
 In (a), decreased fees in 2 and 6.

New Rule, R.1975 d.100, effective April 15, 1975.
 Sec: 7 N.J.R. 236(a).
 Amended by R.1983 d.544, effective November 21, 1983.
 Sec: 15 N.J.R. 1441(a), 15 N.J.R. 1947(a).
 In (a)7, added i-ii.
 Amended by R.1985 d.549, effective November 4, 1985.
See: 17 N.J.R. 1527(a), 17 N.J.R. 2669(b).
 Substantially amended.
 Amended by R.1990 d.152, effective March 5, 1990.
 Sec: 21 N.J.R. 3854(a), 22 N.J.R. 830(a).
 Examination fee increased from \$100.00 to \$225.00.
 Amended by R.1992 d.386, effective October 5, 1992.

13:34-1.2 Examination review procedure

An unsuccessful candidate may apply to the Board for a review of his or her examination papers. Such application must be submitted to the Board secretary in writing within three months following notification of examination results, and the secretary shall subsequently arrange a mutually convenient date for the candidate to review his or her examination papers and grades in the Board office with an examiner.