Granting Full REHS Status via Acceptance of Out-of-State Registration

At a September 28, 2015 work session, the NC State Board of Environmental Health Specialist Examiners (NC EHSE) reviewed registration requirements of the states listed below to determine how closely they aligned with NC requirements as determined by Statutes and Rules. The Board agreed that in order to consider granting full REHS status via acceptance of out-of-state registration, the state must meet the following standards:

• **Degree Level:** BA or BS

• Science Course Hours: Minimum 30 semester hours of science as accepted by NEHA

• Exam: NEHA Exam

• Work Related Experience to Qualify for "Full" Registration with Degree: 2 or more years of experience at REHS or REHS-I level (non-EHAC) OR 1 year of experience at REHS or REHS-I level (EHAC)

Based on a survey commissioned by the Board in September 2015, the NC EHSE Board made the following determinations:

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State Registration	State Registration (1)
Illinois	Arizona
Maryland (applicant must have at least 2 or more	Arkansas
years of experience at REHS or REHS-I level (non-	
EHAC) OR 1 year of experience at REHS or REHS-I	
level (EHAC))	
Minnesota	California
Montana (applicant must have at least 2 or more	Connecticut
years of experience at REHS or REHS-I level (non-	
EHAC) OR 1 year of experience at REHS or REHS-I	
level (EHAC))	
Nevada	Florida
North Dakota (applicant must have 4-year degree,	Kentucky
at least 2 or more years of experience at REHS or	
REHS-I level (non-EHAC) OR 1 year of experience at	
REHS or REHS-I level (EHAC) and passage of NEHA	
exam)	
Ohio	Louisiana
Oregon (applicant must have 4-year degree, at least	Massachusetts
30 hours of science and passage of NEHA exam)	
Texas (with passage of NEHA exam)	Michigan
Utah (applicant must have at least 2 or more years	Missouri
of experience at REHS or REHS-I level (non-EHAC)	
OR 1 year of experience at REHS or REHS-I level	
(EHAC) and 30 hours of science)	
Wisconsin (applicant must have 4-year degree, at	Nebraska
least 30 hours of science and passage of NEHA	
exam)	
	New Jersey
	New York
	Oklahoma
	Washington
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The Board will consider REHS applications from individuals in these states on a case-by-case basis to determine if the applicant meets the requirements set forth in NC Statutes and Rules.

States Not Listed in This Document

It is important to note that this list reflects state registration acts in place in October 2015, and applications received from states listed on the chart are subject to review by the Board to ensure the applicant meets NC registration requirements. States not listed on either list do not have registration acts and applications are subject to further review by the Board.

Should you have questions regarding Out-of-State Registration and Reciprocity, contact the Board Office at rehs.board@dhhs.nc.gov.