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# Pennsylvania

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**Registration Status:** Practice Regulation

Effective Date: February 16, 1993

Exemptions: 1) Any person who acts under the supervision of a licensed professional geologist or an employee lawfully engaged in the practice of geology and who, in either event, does not assume responsible charge and supervision.  
2) Officers and employees of the U.S. Government for said government.  
3) The practice of individuals providing geologic services to businesses engaged in the exploration or development of gas or oil.

ASBOG® Membership: Member Board

Update: Licensee information may be viewed at [www.pals.pa.gov](http://www.pals.pa.gov)

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**Board Composition:** Combined with State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors & Geologists, forming a geologist-engineer board. Board consists of two geologists, five engineers, two land surveyors, three public members and the Commissioner of the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs.

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## Requirements:

Education: Graduation from an accredited institution of higher learning in the United States, having majored in geology, geophysics, geochemistry, or engineering geology having completed 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours in the major. Candidate's curricula must include completion of courses in structural geology and field methods.

Experience: Five years of professional geological work to include **either** minimum of three years of professional geological work under the supervision of a licensed professional geologist or a minimum of five years of experience in a responsible position in professional geological work. Up to two years of credit for graduate degree **OR** five years of progressive full-time teaching experience in a geological curriculum, including senior-level or graduate-level coursework, at an accredited institution of higher learning.

Examination: ASBOG®

First ASBOG® Exam: April 1997

Continuing Education: Yes – 24 Professional Development Hours (PDH) of continuing education required biennially

Grandfathering: No

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## Cooperative Licensure - (Comity/Endorsement):

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**Registrant Count:** PGs: 1943 (1849 active/94 active-retired)

GITs: 423

**Information Updated:** September 10, 2024

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