

LICENSURE CHECKLIST

from the Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

For details, see Administrative Rules of Montana, Title 24, Chapter 177, at rules.mt.gov and Montana Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapters 1 and 11, at archive.legmt.gov/bills/mca.

All applicants...

- Age 18 or older**
At time of licensure.
- Application with fee**
Apply online at pt.mt.gov.
- Fingerprint background check**
Find instructions at pt.mt.gov under the left-hand menu item "Forms".
- Verification of other licenses**
All current, previous, and expired in any profession from other jurisdictions.
- Checklist from desired license type**

Physical Therapist

IF U.S. EDUCATED

OPTION 1

- Out-of-state license**
From a state with standards substantially equivalent to Montana's.
- Practice in the last four years or remedial study**
Unless waived by board review.

OPTION 2

- Doctoral degree**
Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). Submit certificate of graduation -OR- transcripts -OR- letter of expected graduation.
- Optional requirements**
Only if getting a provisional license before exam:
 - Supervisor**
A licensed physical therapist performing direct supervision.
 - Additional form and fee**
Find "Forms" at pt.mt.gov.
- Exam scores**
600 or higher on the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) administered by the Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy (FSBPT).

IF FOREIGN EDUCATED

- Education evaluation**
By the Foreign Credentialing Commission on Physical Therapy (FCCPT).
- Optional requirements**
Only if getting a provisional license before exam:
 - Supervisor**
A licensed physical therapist performing direct supervision.
 - Additional form and fee**
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- Exam scores**
600 or higher on the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) administered by the Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy (FSBPT).
- English scores**
From the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), only if from a non-English-speaking culture.
- Oral interview**
Only if considered necessary.

Physical Therapist *Assistant* (U.S. educated only)

OPTION 1

- Out-of-state license**
From a state with standards substantially equivalent to Montana's.
- Practice in the last four years or remedial study**
Unless waived by board review.

OPTION 2

- Associate's degree**
Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). Submit certificate of graduation -OR- transcripts -OR- letter of expected graduation.
- Optional requirements**
Only if getting a provisional license before exam:
 - Supervisor**
A licensed physical therapist performing direct supervision.
 - Additional form and fee**
Find "Forms" at pt.mt.gov.
- Exam scores**
600 or higher on the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) for physical therapist assistants administered by the Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy (FSBPT).