

State of Arizona Board of Chiropractic Examiners

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Acupuncture Certification Qualifications and Requirements

The acupuncture exam is given four times a year, usually on the last Wednesday of January, April, July and October. The Board reserves the right to change the dates of the exam without prior notice.

The **application fee** for the acupuncture exam is \$100.00. If you pass the exam, your application is then placed on the next available Board agenda for approval. Upon approval, and before you can practice acupuncture, a **certification fee** of \$100.00 must be paid and a certification number issued. If you perform acupuncture before these requirements are met, the Board may sanction your license and deny your acupuncture certification.

Acupuncture Certification Requirements:

1. You must be licensed to practice chiropractic in the State of Arizona.
2. You must have completed 50 hours of coursework in acupuncture, taught by active faculty or postgraduate staff of an accredited chiropractic college or institution.
3. You must complete the application for acupuncture certification.
4. You must score 75% or better on the acupuncture examination administered by this agency.
5. You must pay a \$100.00 application fee and a \$100.00 certificate issuance fee.
6. The Board must approve your certification.

Acupuncture Examination

In order to sit the acupuncture exam, the following items must be at the Board office **one month prior** to the date of the test. **Late submissions will not be allowed to sit the exam.**

- A completed acupuncture application.
- Official transcript demonstrating completion of the 50 hours of coursework, as defined above.
- Application fee of \$100.



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Application for Certification in Acupuncture (A.R.S. §32-922.02)

1. Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Arizona Chiropractic License Number: _____

2. **Coursework**: Transcripts must be submitted directly from the accredited college or institution showing successful completion of a minimum of 50 hours of coursework.

Chiropractic College/ Institution; _____

Dates Attended: _____

_____ Check here if you believe the transcript is already in your file.

3. **Exam date applied for:** ____/____/____ Your complete application must be received a minimum of *one month prior* to the exam date in order for you to sit this exam.

4. **Application fee of \$100.00**. Please pay by check or money order, payable to the AZ Board of Chiropractic Examiners. (no cash or credit cards). **All fees are non-refundable.**

I am the person whose name appears above, and herein state that all information contained in this application is true and correct.

Applicant's signature _____

Date of signature ____ / ____ / ____

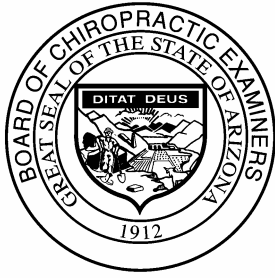
State of: _____

County of: _____

Subscribed and sworn before me this ____ day of _____
month year

Notary signature _____

Commission expires: _____



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Arizona Acupuncture Laws and Rules

Arizona Revised Statutes (laws)

32-922.02. Specialties; certification; fee

- A. In order to practice a chiropractic specialty a licensee shall be certified in that specialty by the board.
- B. An applicant who wishes to take the acupuncture examination shall submit documentation to the board of his successful completion of a minimum of fifty hours of study at an accredited chiropractic college or postgraduate study with an instructor on the active or postgraduate staff of an accredited chiropractic college.
- C. An applicant who wishes to take the physiotherapy examination shall submit documentation to the board of his successful completion of a minimum of one hundred twenty hours of study at an accredited chiropractic college or postgraduate study with an instructor on the active or postgraduate staff of an accredited chiropractic college.
- D. The board shall issue a certificate to any applicant who correctly answers seventy-five per cent of all questions asked on the specialty examination and who pays a certificate fee of one hundred dollars.
- E. On making application, the applicant shall pay to the executive director of the board a nonrefundable fee of one hundred dollars. The board shall keep a register of all applicants and the result of each examination.

Article 6. Acupuncture Certification (rules)

R4-7-601. Definition of Acupuncture as Applied to Chiropractic

- A. Acupuncture as applied to chiropractic is stimulation, preparatory and complementary to an adjustment, of a certain meridian point or points on or near the surface of the body to control and regulate the flow and balance of energy of the body.
- B. Acupuncture includes acupuncture by needle, electrical stimulation, ultrasound, acupressure, laser, auricular therapy, or any implement that stimulates acupuncture points.
- C. Acupuncture does not include cupping, moxibustion, or cosmetic therapy.