# Oregon State Board of Geologist Examiners

# 2020 Annual Report on Rulemaking Activities

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### **Executive Summary**

The Oregon State Board of Geologist Examiners (OSBGE) operates under authority granted through ORS 672.505-672.705, 670.300-670.380, and 182.454-182.472. OSBGE administrative rules are found in Chapter 809 of the Oregon Administrative Rules.

The reporting period for this report was changed to the calendar year, 01/01/2019 - 12/31/2019, instead of the 02/01 - 1/31 reporting period used in past reports.

For this 2020 rulemaking activities report, OSBGE's permanent rulemaking activities were as follows. OSBGE adopted amendments its Operating Budget rule to reflect its 2019-2021 budget, as required by ORS 182.462. OSBGE adopted amendments to its Public Records Requests rule to align the rules with legislative updates to the Oregon Public Records Law and direction from the Governor's Office regarding state agency processing of public records requests. OSBGE next completed updates to its rules governing licensure examinations and associated processes and fees. OSBGE considered input from its rules advisory committee in this last rulemaking.

Late in the year, OSBGE adopted temporary rules for temporary military spouse registration in accordance with 2019 legislation, specifically HB 3030 and SB 688. This was the only temporary rulemaking action taken by the OSBGE during the reporting period. Temporary rulemaking was employed to ensure rule enactment by the

effective date of the 2019 legislation. OSBGE started the rulemaking notice/hearing process for permanent rulemaking simultaneously with the temporary rule filing.

For details about the administrative rulemaking activities completed by OSBGE for prior reporting periods, please see the annual rulemaking activities reports submitted in prior years and also the biennial reports submitted by OSBGE to the Oregon Legislature.

Please direct any questions about this annual report or OSBGE to the Board office care of Christine Valentine, Board Administrator, at <u>osbge.info@oregon.gov</u> or 503-566-2837.

# Oregon State Board of Geologist Examiners Administrative Rulemaking Activities 01/01/2019 – 12/31/2019

Rulemaking Pursuant to ORS 183.335(2) and (3)

#	OAR#	Rule Title & Description of Rule Amendments	Type (Perm/Temp)	Notice in Oregon Bulletin	Public Hearing Date	Board Adoption Date	SOS/LC Filing Date
1	809-010-0025	Operating Budget – Amendments to adopt by reference the 2019-2021 operating budget of the Board	Perm	04/2019	05/07/2019	06/05/2019	06/07/2019
2	809-001-0015	Public Records Requests – Amendments to align Board rule with updates to the Oregon Public Records Law and Governor/DAS direction on state agency processing of public records requests	Perm	04/2019	05/07/2019	06/05/2019	06/07/2019
3	809-003-0000	<u>Definitions</u> – update existing definitions for "ASBOG" and "National examination", add a new definition of "Candidate", renumber definitions accordingly	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
4	809-010-0001	Fees – add an examination processing fee as used in 809-040-0023 and 809-040-0030, plus housekeeping revisions	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
5	809-020-0030	Misconduct – update cross references found in rule to 809-003-0000 since definitions in that rule are being renumbered	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
6	809-040-0000	Examination Application – housekeeping revisions	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
7	809-040-0001	Examination Application Deadlines – give candidates more time to get applications for examination into the Board, update deadline from when postmarked to when received by the Board, and allow Board notices by mail or email.	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019

8	809-040-0002	<u>Date of Examinations</u> – address date for	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
		engineering geologist exam, plus housekeeping					
9	809-040-0003	revisions  Examination Notice – allow Board notice by mail	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
9	809-040-0003	or email	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
10	809-040-0004	Picture Identification – housekeeping revisions	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
11	809-040-0005	Examination Information and Accommodations –	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
		address how the Board handles reasonable					
		accommodations under the Americans with					
		Disabilities Act and related Oregon law, plus					
		housekeeping revisions					
12	809-040-0006	Scope of Geologist Examination – housekeeping	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
		revisions					
13	809-040-0008	Scope of Engineering Geologist Examination –	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
		housekeeping revisions					
14	809-040-0009	Geologist-in-Training Examination –	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
		housekeeping revisions					
15	809-040-0010	<u>Scoring</u> – housekeeping revisions	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
16	809-040-0011	Notice of Examination Score – allow Board	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
		notice by mail or email					
17	809-040-0020	<u>Review of Examination</u> – housekeeping revisions	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
18	809-040-0021	<u>Proctored Review and Manual Rescoring</u> –	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
		housekeeping revisions					
19	809-040-0022	Retake of Examination – clarify approval process	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
		for evidence of examination preparation after two					
		failures, clarify application deadline for					
		examination retake, plus housekeeping revisions					
20	809-040-0023	Withdrawal from Examination or Forwarding of	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019
		Examination Approval – clarify requirements for					
		request of withdrawal from examination or					
		forwarding of examination approval to future					
		administration date, provide candidates with more					
		time to request forwarding of examination					
		approval, provide candidates with ability to					
		request fee refunds under limited circumstances					
		when withdrawing from examination, and specify					
		when an examination processing fee applies.					

21	809-040-0030	Refunds – provide candidates with ability to request fee refunds under limited good cause circumstances, define what qualifies for good	Perm	10/2019	11/04/2019	12/06/2019	12/09/2019		
		cause and how to document, and specify when an examination processing fee applies.							
Ru	Rulemaking Pursuant to ORS 183.335(5)								
#	OAR#	Rule Title &	Type	Notice in	Public	Board	SOS/LC		
		Description of Rule Amendments	(Perm/	OR	Hearing	Adoption	Filing		
			Temp)	Bulletin	Date	Date	Date		
1	809-010-0001	Fees – Amendments to add fees for new	Temp	01/2020	N/A	12/06/2019	12/09/2019		
		registration type							
2	809-050-0015	Temporary Military Spouse Registration – Add	Temp	01/2020	N/A	12/06/2019	12/09/2019		
		rule to create this new registration type in							
		accordance with SB 688/HB3030 (2019)							

#### **Temporary Rulemaking Statement of Need**

HB 3030 (2019) and SB 688 (2019), passed by the Oregon Legislature and signed by the Governor, mandate that occupational licensure boards offer temporary military spouse registrations by 01/01/2020. The Board had to put rules in place to address these new statutory requirements.

#### **Temporary Rulemaking Justification**

HB 3030 (2019) and SB 688 (2019) require occupational licensure boards to offer temporary registrations to spouses/domestic partners of military members under certain circumstances. Occupational licensure boards must comply with the new statutes by 01/01/2020. At its first quarterly meeting after the 2019 session concluded, the Board directed staff to draft a new rule to implement these provisions. The Board approved the temporary rule at its next quarterly meeting. The Board acted to ensure spouses/domestic partners of military members have access to the temporary registrations as contemplated under HB 3030 and SB 688. Failure to adopt temporary rules would have created a period of time during which the Board could not issue temporary registrations, which would have put the Board in violation of statute.