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Applying for P.G. Licensure

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To apply for a P.G. license, applicants must submit the following application, materials and documentation.*

•**P.G. Application:** All applicants must submit Form A – Application for P.G. Licensure

•**Qualifying Experience:** Proof of having met the experience requirement (may be included on the Application)

•**Official Academic Transcripts:** Sealed official transcripts demonstrating the required degree and coursework from your academic institution(s) must be provided to TBPG

•**Reference Statements:** A minimum of five (5) reference statements (Forms I and II) must be submitted on behalf of the applicant, at least three (3) of which must be Professional References (Form I); the remaining references may be Personal References (Form II)

•**Verification of other Geoscience-Related Licenses:** Verification of every geoscience-related license held by the applicant must be provided through the Form XII – Verification of Other Licenses, whether the other licenses are current or expired.

•**Passing Examination Scores:** Proof of having passed the appropriate licensing examination may be provided to TBPG through the verification request process (Form XII – Verification of Other Licenses), or the applicant may submit a Form E – Examination Request to request taking the appropriate licensing examination(s)

•**Application Fee:** Application fee for P.G. licensure is \$255, and is payable to check or money order to TBPG.

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What is a Professional Geoscientist?

A Professional Geoscientist is someone who is licensed in the State of Texas to practice “before the public” in one of three disciplines:

- Geoscience
- Geophysics
- Soil Science

Geology is the science of the origin, composition, structure and history of the earth and its constituent soils, rocks, minerals, fossil fuels, solids, fluids and gasses. Engineering geology, hydrogeology and environmental geology are fields in which professional geologists apply the practice of geology to public health and safety concerns, such as active faults, earthquakes, water supply, erosion control, sedimentation, pollutions of water, soil and rock and many other issues. A professional geologist is also anyone submitting geological information to a state agency of Texas.

Geophysics is the science that involves the study of the physical earth by means of measuring its natural and induced fields of force, including electricity, gravity and magnetism.

Soil Science is the science of soils, their classification, origin and history, the investigation of physical, chemical, morphological and biological characteristics, of the soil including its ability to produce vegetation and the fate and movement of physical, chemical and biological contaminants.