

OCULARISTS

The following requirements are needed to be licensed as an ocularist in Ohio.

1. A five-year apprenticeship under the direct supervision of a licensed ocularist as registered with the board or under the employment and direct supervision of an optometrist or physician engaged in the practice of ocularistry.
2. A credentialing or a certification exam offered by a board approved by a national recognized certifying body. Said application for licensure shall be made within seventy-two months from the date of the examination that the applicant successfully completed.

Applicants for licensure must be 18 years of age, be of good moral character, and be a graduate of an accredited high school or have attained an educational equivalent, such as a GED. Applicants must also pass a National Qualifying Exam. Passage of a background check is also required for licensure.

All licenses expire on December 31st no matter when issued.

License application fee is \$50.00 plus \$3.50 processing fee.

In order to access the eLicense portal, an account needs to be created. To create an account, please complete the following steps:

- a. Go to the Ohio eLicense Home Page at: <https://elicense.ohio.gov>
- b. Click **"Login/Create Your Account"** option.
- c. Click **"I DO NOT HAVE A LICENSE"** at the bottom left side under "New Users."
- d. You will be prompted to enter your Social Security Number and date of birth, and you must create and confirm a unique password.