**Kansas**

**Registration Status:** Title and Practice Licensure

- **Effective Date:** July 1, 1997
- **Exemptions:** Energy research/exploration not affecting the public, academicians, graduate physical or natural scientists
- **ASBOG® Membership:** Member Board
- **Update:** Kansas Statute revisions went into effect on July 1, 2015. An important revision is the update of the definition and title of “Professional Geologist”.

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**Board Composition:** Thirteen-member Board that includes one geologist, three professional engineers, three architects, two land surveyors, one landscape architect, one professional engineer/land surveyor and two public members.

**Requirements:**
- **Education:** Graduate of a course of study in geology or equivalent four-year curriculum with at least 30 semester hours of geology.
- **Experience:** Four years of supervised experience, shortened to three years with a Master's degree in geology.
- **Examination:** ASBOG®
- **First ASBOG® Exam:** September 2000
- **Continuing Education:** Thirty (30) professional development hours are required for each two-year renewal period.
- **Grandfathering:** Expired July 1, 2000

**Cooperative Licensure - (Comity/Reciprocity):** Applicants must meet the Kansas regulations which were in place on the date that they received their original license.

**Registrant Count:** PGs: 522 (Geologists)

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