## Nebraska

**Registration Status:** Geologist Regulation Act passed 1998

Effective Date: January 1, 1999

Exemptions: Researchers, exploration geologists, teaching, and geotechnical engineers

ASBOG® Membership: Member Board

Update: On July 1, 2019, the Occupational Board Reform Act became effective. The act calls for a review of all rules

and regulations of boards and commissions to be conducted every five years. The review is to be conducted by the standing legislative committee the board or commission is assigned to and includes a recommendation

as to whether the board or commission should be terminated, continued, or modified.

It also allows an individual with a criminal history to petition the board or commission prior to application to determine if the history will bar them from licensure. The review must be completed within ninety days

and include Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law.

Revisions to the Board's Rules and Regulations (Title 171 of the Nebraska Administrative Code) went

into effect on July 1, 2019. Revisions include, but are not limited to:

• New rule specifying an applicant's prior criminal or disciplinary action is not an automatic bar to licensure or admittance to the examinations;

• New rule clarifying what constitutes acceptable direct supervision of geologic work;

• Reorganization of the licensure provisions into four separate chapters for easier referencing and user friendliness; and

• Simplification and clarification of the enforcement process when undertaken by the Boards,

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**Board Composition:** Six professional geologists and one public member

**Requirements:** 

Education: Geology or geologic specialty degree with 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours including five of seven

core courses.

Experience: Five years

Examination: ASBOG®

First ASBOG® Exam: September 2000

Continuing Education: None

Grandfathering: Ended December 31, 1999

Cooperative Licensure - (Comity/Reciprocity): Nebraska will accept licensure applications by reciprocity/comity. The applicant must meet Nebraska's education, examination, and experience requirements. An applicant may be granted a waiver of the education and/or examination requirements if the individual has been licensed continuously in good standing for at least fifteen (15) years. Please refer to the Board's website for more details.

**Registrant Count:** PGs: 303 GITs: 39

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