

to examine applicants for [certification as] *license as certified tree experts* and to pass upon their competency as such. The Director as administrative head of the Department of Forests and Parks shall be deemed to be the duly authorized agent of the Commission of Forests and Parks.

403. (Issuance of [Certificates] *Licenses; Qualifications*). The Commission of Forests and Parks shall issue and grant a "Certified Tree Expert" [certificate] *license* to any applicant, who, in the opinion of the Commission, has qualified by the following:

- (1) who pays the fees hereinafter provided;
- (2) who is a citizen of the United States or who has duly declared his or her intention of becoming such citizen;
- (3) who is over the age of twenty-one years;
- (4) who is of good moral character;
- (5) (a) who has had four years of approved college education, preferably in forestry, landscaping or agriculture, or the equivalent; or  
(b) who, in the opinion of the Commission has had sufficient professional experience in tree care to justify waiver of the requirement of four years of college or an equivalent education; or  
(c) who shall have continuously for at least five years immediately preceding the date of his application been engaged in practice as a tree expert; or
- (6) who shall have successfully passed such examinations, as may be given by the Commission as hereafter provided.

*(7) all licensees shall show proof of and carry liability and property damage insurance at the time of issuing of said license and shall maintain said insurance protection for the period the license is in effect.*

404. (Examinations). The Commission shall prepare all examinations hereinabove provided for, and shall conduct the same as often as it deems necessary, but at least once each year, if there are any applicants. Every applicant who has never been [certified] *licensed* under this sub-heading or who has not been the holder of an operative [certificate] *license* for three years next preceding the date of application, must take and pass the examinations prescribed by the Commission; provided that the Commission may, in its discretion, temporarily waive for a period of not exceeding six months after June 1, 1945, the requirement for an examination of an applicant who on June 1, 1945, is actively engaged in the practice of tree culture and care and has been so engaged for at least five years next preceding said date. A candidate who shall have passed a satisfactory examination in all but one of the subjects given by the Commission may be re-examined in that subject only, at subsequent examinations held by the Commission, and if he passes in that subject he shall be considered to have passed the examinations. Nothing in this sub-title shall be construed as prohibiting the re-examination in all subjects of a candidate who has failed in a prior examination.