

Licensed Occupations and Felony Exclusions Organized alphabetically by Occupation

Occupation	Statute	Statute Summary	Licensing Board
Accountant, Certified Public	33-3-121 a(v)	Any felony conviction or of any crime of which dishonesty or fraud is an element (optional)	Board of Certified Public Accountants
Acupuncturist	33-49-106 states the board responsibilities are to determine standards for licenses. The board is required to promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the responsibilities as outlined in said statute.	Since the statute was just signed into law March 3, 2017, there are no published rules or regulations regarding licensure requirements. With that said W.S. 33-49-111 states the board may approve, suspend, deny, revoke, or refuse to renew and license if the applicant is convicted of a felony (iii) Being convicted of a felony; (optional)	Board of Acupuncturists
Administration, Education	21-2-802 (e)	Felony conviction after July 1, 1996 (optional)	Wyoming Professional Teaching Standards Board
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	33-21-146	The board of nursing may refuse to issue or renew, or may suspend or revoke the license, certificate or temporary permit of any person, or to otherwise discipline a licensee or certificate holder, upon proof that the person...Has been found guilty by a court, has entered an Alford plea or has entered a plea of nolo contendere to a misdemeanor or felony that relates adversely to the practice of nursing or to the ability to practice nursing. (optional)	Board of Nursing
Architect or Landscape Architect	33-4-115	33-4-108 delegates authority to the board for all decisions involving granting, denial, renewal and revocation of a	Board of Architects and Landscaping Architects

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		license. 33-4-115 allows the board to take action on a conviction of a crime under the act (33-4-114) and Rule 4.1 says an architect shall not knowingly violate any state or federal criminal law. (optional)	
Athletic Trainers	33-45-111 (a) (iii)	Convicted of a felony or an offense involving a controlled substance (optional, case by case with Board approval)	Board of Athletic Training
Attorney	33-5-105	There is no law or rule that overtly disallows an individual to practice law should he/she violate a law. But applicants for admission to practice law and to maintaining his/her license to practice law are required to demonstrate good morale character as outlined in W.S. 33-5-105. The rules and procedures governing admission to the practice of law states that an applicant for admission to practice law must produce satisfactory evidence of good moral character and an adequate knowledge of the standards and ideals of the profession and that such person is otherwise fit to practice law within the State of Wyoming. The state board of law examiners has the discretion to determine good moral character but the rules includes "unlawful conduct" as a factor and is obligated to report such findings to the Supreme Court. (optional, case-by-case)	State Board of Law Examiners
Barber	33-7-207	Case-by-case basis by board approval by rule (optional)	Board of Barber Examiners
Certified Nursing Assistant	33-21-146	While this is a certification and not necessarily a license GNA's	Board of Nursing

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		still have to obtain certification from the board of nursing. W.S. 33-21-146 says: The board of nursing may refuse to issue or renew, or may suspend or revoke the license, certificate or temporary permit of any person, or to otherwise discipline a licensee or certificate holder, upon proof that the person... Has been found guilty by a court, has entered an Alford plea or has entered a plea of nolo contendere to a misdemeanor or felony that relates adversely to the practice of nursing or to the ability to practice nursing. (optional)	
Chiropractor	33-10-110 (iii)	Any felony conviction (optional)	Board of Chiropractic Examiners
Collection Agencies	33-11-105 (C)	Felony convictions involving forgery, embezzlement, obtaining money under false pretenses, larceny, theft, extortion, fraud or conspiracy to commit fraud (mandatory)	Collection Agency Board
Cosmetology, Manicurist, Nail Technician, Hair Stylist, Esthetician	33-12-135	A judicial disposition of guilt or a plea of nolo contendere relative to a criminal offense which adversely relates to the practice or instruction of cosmetology, nail technology, esthetics or hair styling (optional)	Board of Cosmetology
Dental Hygienist	33-15-121a(i)	Felony conviction that relates adversely to the practice of dentistry or the ability to practice dentistry (optional)	Board of Dental Examiners
Dentists	33-15-112 a(i)	Felony conviction that relates adversely to the practice of dentistry or the ability to practice dentistry (optional)	Board of Dental Examiners
Dietetics Licensure	33-47-106 a(v) 33-47-106 (f) (iv)	Must state at time of application that he/she has not	Dietetics Licensing Board

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		been convicted of a felony offense (mandatory) Board may revoke for conviction of felony after licensing as violation of rules (optional)	
Embalmers, Funeral Director	33-16-522 (ii)C 33-16-526 (a)(i)	Case-by-case basis by board approval (optional)	Board of Embalming
Emergency Medical Technician	33-36-106 (states that the DOH shall prescribe rules and regulations which provide for the conditional licensure of applicants who have satisfied all licensing requirements adopted under this act except any requirements related to criminal history screenings and fingerprinting)	No felony convictions (may be waived) (optional)	Department of Health (DOH): Secretary of State rules state may be waived by the Division—unable to find statute ref or appropriate Division in DOH Reference number to rule: 048.0023.5.11032015
Euthanasia Technician	33-30-224 (a)(ii)	Board may issue a certificate as an animal euthanasia technician to any applicant if the applicant has no felony convictions and no misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude and no criminal violations relating to cruelty to animals or animal neglect (mandatory)	Board of Veterinary Medicine
Hearing Aid Specialist	33-35-115 (b) (i)	Conviction of a felony or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude (optional)	Board of Hearing Aid Specialists
Home Health Aide	33-21-146	No felony convictions that relate adversely to the practice or nursing (optional)	Board of Nursing
Horse Racing Occupations	11-25-104 states "(k) The commission is authorized to access criminal history record information for all licensees, permittees and	No felony convictions (optional)	Pari-Mutuel Commission: The commission is the pari-mutuel commission the rule states the commission may refuse to issue a license or may

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	employees of the commission under W.S. 9-1-627(d) for the purposes of this act. Every applicant for a permit or license under this act shall provide the commission fingerprints and other information necessary for a criminal history record background check as provided under W.S. 7-19-201."		suspend or revoke a license for a conviction of a felony in any jurisdiction the rule Reference Number: 038.0001.7.12182013
Insurance Adjuster	26-9-219	Commission issues adjuster licenses in accordance with 26-9-219. Background checks are required but no reference to denials based off convictions (optional)	Insurance Commission
Insurance Salesperson	26-9-211 (a) (vi)	The Commission may revoke for felony conviction (optional)	Insurance Commission
Midwife	33-46-103 (b) (ix) 33-46-103 (c) (vi) 33-46-103 (e)	The Board shall deny and may revoke license if convicted of a crime which in the judgment of the board renders the person unfit to practice midwifery (mandatory/optional) Board may not license upon endorsement if convicted of crime which in the judgment of the board renders the person unfit to practice midwifery (mandatory)	Board of Midwifery
Municipal Police Officer, Deputy Sheriff, College or University Campus Police Officer, Wyoming Highway Patrol, Game and Fish Law	9-1-704 (b) (v) 9-1-710 (b) (iv) (for Correctional Officer only)	No felony convictions (mandatory)	Peace Officers Standards and Training Commission

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Enforcement Personnel, Agents of DCI, Dispatcher, Correctional Officer			
Nurse	33-21-146 (a)(ii)	Felony conviction that relates adversely to the practice of nursing or to the ability to practice nursing (optional)	Board of Nursing
Nurse Practitioner	33-21-146	The board of nursing may refuse to issue or renew, or may suspend or revoke the license, certificate or temporary permit of any person, or to otherwise discipline a licensee or certificate holder, upon proof that the person... Has been found guilty by a court, has entered an Alford plea or has entered a plea of nolo contendere to a misdemeanor or felony that relates adversely to the practice of nursing or to the ability to practice nursing. (optional)	Board of Nursing
Occupational Therapy Practice	33-40-102 a (vi) (a) 33-40-113 a(iii)	Felony or misdemeanor conviction (optional, requires hearing)	Board of Occupational Therapy Practice
Optometrist	33-23-110 a(iii)	Being guilty of offenses involving moral turpitude, habitual intemperance, or being habitually addicted to the use of morphine, opium, cocaine, or other drugs having a similar effect (does not indicate felony or misdemeanor). (optional)	Board of Examiners in Optometry
Outfitter	23-2-412 e (ii) & (iii) 23-2-416 (a)	Applicant must report felony convictions (mandatory). Board may deny or revoke for conviction of a felony (optional)	Board of Outfitters and Professional Guides
Pharmacist	33-24-122 (a)(i)	Felony or high misdemeanor	Board of Pharmacy

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		conviction involving moral turpitude (optional)	
Pharmacy intern	33-24-135 (d)(iii)	Felony or misdemeanor conviction involving moral turpitude (optional)	Board of Pharmacy
Pharmacy technician	33-24-301(f)(iv)	Felony or misdemeanor conviction involving moral turpitude (optional)	Board of Pharmacy
Pharmacy to include pharmacy owner, pharmacist in charge, staff pharmacist or pharmacy technician	33-24-113 (d)(iii)	Felony conviction related to the practice of pharmacy (optional)	Board of Pharmacy
Physical Therapist	33-25-111 (a)(iv)	Felony conviction relating adversely to the practice of physical therapy or the ability to practice physical therapy (optional)	Board of Physical Therapy
Physician Assistant	33-26-303 b	A person who has pled guilty to or has been convicted of a felony or any crime that is a felony under Wyoming law in any state or federal court or in any court of similar jurisdiction in another country may apply for licensure provided; the board may deny licensure based upon the plea or conviction alone. (optional)	Board of Medicine
Physician, Psychiatrist	33-26-303 b	A person who has pled guilty to or has been convicted of a felony or any crime that is a felony under Wyoming law in any state or federal court or in any court of similar jurisdiction in another country may apply for licensure provided. The board may deny licensure based upon the plea or conviction alone. (optional)	Board of Medicine
Physicians and Surgeons	33-26-303 (b) 33-26-304 (d)	Case-by-case basis by board approval (optional)	Board of Medicine

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	33-26-402 (viii)		
Podiatrist	33-9-104	Requires persons who wish to practice podiatry must obtain a license from the board Podiatry, Board of Registration. In accordance with Chapter 2: Application Process & Licensure Requirements rules applicants shall not have felony convictions, and no misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude, although exceptions to this requirement may be granted by the Board if consistent with the public interest. Reference Number: 028-0001.2.01252017 (optional)	Podiatry, Board of Registration
Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, Social Workers, and Chemical Dependency Specialists	33-38-106	Felony or misdemeanor conviction involving moral turpitude (mandatory, but exceptions may be granted by the board if consistent with public interest)	Mental Health Professional Licensing Board
Professional Guide	23-2-412 e (ii) & (iii) 23-2-416 (a)	Applicant must report felony convictions (mandatory). Board may deny or revoke for conviction of a felony (optional)	Board of Outfitters and Professional Guides
Psychologists	33-27-120 (b) (iv) & (v)	Felony conviction that interferes with the ability to practice psychology OR any felony or conviction of any crime or offense that reflects the inability of the practitioner to practice with due regard for the health and safety of clients or patients (optional)	Board of Psychology
Radiologic Technologist	33-37-111 (a)	Felony or misdemeanor conviction involving moral turpitude (optional)	Board of Radiologic Technologist-Examiners
Real Estate Appraisal	33-39-209 (b) (i)	Any felony conviction involving theft, dishonesty or breach of	Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers

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Management Company Owner		trust (mandatory)	
Real Estate Appraiser	33-39-123 (a)(ii)	Any felony conviction. (optional)	Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers
Real Estate Brokers	33-28-106 (g)(iii) & (h) 33-28-111 (a)(xxii)	Case-by-case basis by board approval (optional)	Real Estate Commission
Real Estate Salesperson	33-28-106	Felony conviction (optional, the Commission may consider prior conduct)	Real Estate Commission
Respiratory Care Practitioner	33-43-115 (a) (iv) Pursuant to rule and regulation	Felony conviction considered unprofessional conduct under rules and may result in revocation. (optional)	Board of Respiratory Care Reference number for rule: 022.0001.3.09012010
Securities	17-4-412	Secretary of State Office may deny application if the applicant has been convicted of a felony or within the last 10 years has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving a security, a commodity, a future or option contract, or an aspect of a business involving securities, commodities, investments, franchises, insurance, banking, or finance (optional)	Secretary of State Office
Speech Pathologist and Audiologist	33-33-305 (a)(iii)	Felony conviction found by the board to have a direct bearing on whether he should be entrusted to serve the public in that particular capacity. (optional)	Board of Examiners of Speech-language Pathology and Audiology
Surveyors and Engineers	33-29-701 33-29-702 (a)(vi) 33-29-703 33-29-704	Felony conviction that is related to the ability to practice engineering or land surveying. Hearing required and judicial review available. (optional)	Board of Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors
Teacher--Early Childhood, Special Education, Elementary, Substitute, School Librarian	21-2-802 (e)	Felony conviction after July 1, 1996 (optional)	Wyoming Professional Teaching Standards Board

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Uniform Athlete Agent Act	33-44-106 (a) (i)	No person may engage in the business of an athlete agent who has been convicted of a crime that, if committed in this state (in which the athlete will be represented), would be a felony or other crime involving moral turpitude (mandatory)	N/A- there is no board or commission to determine licensing as there is no licensing requirement, just a completion of a disclosure form.
Veterinarian	33-30-212 (a)(iv) & (v)	Convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude or violation of law related to narcotic drugs (optional)	Board of Veterinary Medicine

Research Methodology

The Licensed Occupations and Felony Exclusions matrix was researched through the following process to identify occupations where a felony conviction prohibits licensing.

First, a filtered search in LexisNexis was used to determine which statutes prohibit individuals with a felony conviction from obtaining licensures for certain occupations. Upon review, the statute numbers identifying the prohibition and the prohibition language, or an indication the occupation could not be sought by a person with a felony conviction were included.

Next, each chapter within Title 33 of Wyoming State Statute was reviewed to determine the Board's or Commission's authority to promulgate rules and regulations. A review of the commission and/or board with statutory authorization to promulgate roles governing licensure qualification was completed and this information was included.

Finally, a review of the 2017 legislative session was conducted and any occupations where a felony conviction prohibited employment were added as well.

The matrix is an attempt to be as inclusive as possible however; it is certain not every occupation is included as we are unaware if there is a central location for all occupations requiring licensing in the state.

Any reference to potential to denial of licensing or certification is noted as 'optional' or 'mandatory'

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Board of Acupuncturists	Acupuncturist
Board of Architects and Landscaping Architects	Architect or Landscape Architect
Board of Athletic Training	Athletic Trainers
Board of Barber Examiners	Barber
Board of Certified Public Accountants	Accountant, Certified Public
Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers	Real Estate Appraisers
Board of Chiropractic Examiners	Chiropractor
Board of Cosmetology	Cosmetology, Manicurist, Nail Technician, Hair Stylist, Esthetician
Board of Dental Examiners	Dentists, Dental Hygienist
Board of Embalming	Embalmers, Funeral Director
Board of Examiners in Optometry	Optometrist
Board of Examiners of Speech-language Pathology and Audiology	Speech Pathologist and Audiologist
Board of Hearing Aid Specialists	Hearing Aid Specialist, Hearing Aid Specialist Licensure
Board of Medicine	Physician Assistant, Physician, Psychiatrist, Physicians and Surgeons
Board of Midwifery	Midwife
Board of Nursing	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse, Certified Nursing Assistant, Home Health Aide, Nurse, Nurse Practitioner
Board of Occupational Therapy Practice	Occupational Therapy Practice
Board of Outfitters and Professional Guides	Outfitter, Professional Guide
Board of Pharmacy	Pharmacist, Pharmacy Intern, Pharmacy technician, Pharmacy to include pharmacy owner, pharmacist in charge, staff pharmacist or pharmacy technician
Board of Physical Therapy	Physical Therapist
Board of Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors	Surveyors and Engineers
Board of Psychology	Psychologists
Board of Radiologic Technologist Examiners	Radiologic Technologist
Board of Respiratory Care Reference number for rule: 022.0001.3.09012010	Respiratory Care Practitioner
Board of Veterinary Medicine	Veterinarian, Euthanasia Technician
Collection Agency Board	Collection Agencies

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Department of Health (DOH): Secretary of State rules state may be waived by the Division--unable to find statute ref or appropriate Division in DOH Reference number to rule: 048.0023.5.11032015	Emergency Medical Technician
Dietetics Licensing Board	Dietetics Licensure
Insurance Commission	Insurance Salesperson, Insurance Adjuster
Mental Health Professional Licensing Board	Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, Social Workers, and Chemical Dependency Specialists
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Pari-Mutuel Commission: The commission is the pari-mutuel commission the rule states the commission may refuse to issue a license or may suspend or revoke a license for a conviction of a felony in any jurisdiction the rule Reference Number: 038.0001.7.12182013	Horse Racing Occupations
Peace Officers Standards and Training Commission	Municipal Police Officer, Deputy Sheriff, College or University Campus Police Officer, Wyoming Highway Patrol, Game and Fish Law Enforcement Personnel, Agents of DCI, Dispatcher, Correctional Officer
Podiatry, Board of Registration	Podiatrist
Real Estate Commission	Real Estate Brokers, Real Estate Salesperson
Secretary of State	Securities
Wyoming Professional Teaching Standards Board	Administration, Education, Teacher: Early Childhood, Special Education, Elementary, Substitute, School Librarian

Other Occupations Licensed in Wyoming with No Noted Restrictions for Criminal History:

- Aircraft Mechanic
- Aircraft Pilot
- Electrician
- Flight Engineer
- Geologist
- Mine Examiner
- Mine Foreman
- Pesticide Applicator
- Waste Water Plant Operator

NOTE: School Bus Driver, Truck Driver and Water Plant Operator have restrictions based on rule or federal regulations