Pre-Licensing/Pre-Education Frequently Asked Questions

What is the most important application response concern? Be thorough and honest. Incorrect or incomplete response information can and does cause license applications to be denied.

<u>What other application issue frequently creates problems?</u> Failure to realize that the word ever means **EVER**. (*The exception is that subsequently expunged criminal history information does <u>not</u> need to be disclosed.)*

Will a criminal record keep me from being approved for an auctioneer or auction firm license? Possibly, but each application is reviewed on its own merits, and on a case-by-case basis. Further, any criminal history-based denial decision can only come following consideration and analysis of the factors listed in N.C.G.S. 93B-8.1(b) (b1) and N.C.G.S. 85B-3.2(d).

I happen to have some criminal record issues in my past. Prior to beginning any education or sending in a license application, is there a way that I can learn if my particular situation will preclude me from being issued a license? YES. Petition for Predetermination

Do I have to complete auctioneering school before seeking a predetermination decision from the Board? No. If you suspect that your criminal history may ultimately keep you from being approved for a license, you may want to request a predetermination decision from the Board prior to investing the time, energy, and expense involved in attending auction school.

Why does the application ask about financial matters? Upon being issued a license, auctioneers are permitted to assume the fiduciary duty of being trusted with the property (and proceeds from the sale of property) of their auction clients.

Will adverse financial information in my past preclude me from being approved for a license? Possibly. The Board assesses the past and current status of applicants and may deny licensure upon determination that a demonstrated lack of Financial responsibility exists.

<u>Do I have to provide a credit report?</u> The Board may require a current credit report in certain circumstances, including bankruptcies, unsatisfied judgments, and worthless check criminal convictions.

Can I get a pre-determination decision regarding financial issues from the Board regarding financial issues prior to submitting a license application? No. North Carolina law requires occupational licensing boards to make criminal history-based predetermination decisions when requested, but not for any other reason.

<u>If my application is not approved by the Board, is there any opportunity to appeal that decision?</u> Yes. Any applicant whose license application has initially been denied has 30 days from the date of notification to request a formal administrative hearing before the Board. This is an opportunity to challenge information, present evidence, present witnesses, and offer testimony prior to the Board reaching any final agency decision.



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PREDETERMINATION OF LICENSURE

An individual with a criminal history may petition a board at any time, including before an individual starts or completes any mandatory education or training requirements, for a predetermination of whether the individual's criminal history will likely disqualify the individual from obtaining a license.

Petition for Predetermination

Pursuant to House Bill 770, which was ratified on June 28, 2019, Occupational Licensing Boards have the power to deny a license due to a criminal conviction pursuant to 93B-8.1(b)(b1). However, the following factors must be considered:

- (1) The level and seriousness of the crime.
- (2) The date of the crime.
- (3) The age of the person at the time of the crime.
- (4) The circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime, if known.
- (5) The nexus between the criminal conduct and the prospective duties of the applicant as a licensee.
- (6) The prison, jail, probation, parole, rehabilitation, and employment records of the applicant since the date the crime was committed.
- (6a) The completion of, or active participation in, rehabilitative drug or alcohol treatment.
- (6b) A Certification of Relief granted pursuant to NCGA 15A-173.2.
- (7) The subsequent commission of a crime by the applicant.
- (8) Any affidavits or other written documents, including character references.

MILITARY-TRAINED APPLICANTS/MILITARY SPOUSES

<u>Licensure for military-trained applicants/military spouses</u>: If you are a military spouse or a military-trained (applies for some types of occupational licenses) applicant you may be eligible for endorsement without meeting all of the requirements described in this application. Contact the office at 919-567-2844 for information.



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OUT OF STATE APPLICATION FOR AUCTION FIRM

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

READ *North Carolina Auctioneer Laws, Rules and Regulations:* N.C.G.S. 85B, 21 NCAC 4B. These are available on the Board's website at www.ncalb.org.

READ CAREFULLY each provision of the application and the instructions. The application must be properly completed, signed, notarized, accompanied by all required documents, proper fees, and dated no more than *thirty (30) days* prior to when your application is received by the office of the North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board (NCALB). It must be received, not postmarked, in the NCALB Office on, or before the Board deadline date established by the Board (dates enclosed). If any part of the application is incorrect or incomplete, or if required attachments are not included, the application may be returned, resulting in a delay in the licensing process.

The applicant on the auction firm application must be the owner, if the business is a sole proprietorship; a partner, if a partnership; an officer of the corporation, if incorporated; or a member manager, if a limited liability company.

Type or print legibly in ink, and mail the competed application to the Board office. Application may not be submitted by email or fax.

Remember to enclose a check made payable to the North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board (NCALB). The application fee is non-fundable. Please note that it is a violation of 21 NCAC 4B .0404 to submit a check to the Board in payment of required fees, which is returned unpaid.

If applying for an Auction Firm License with a non-auctioneer as a designated person, an auction firm examination is required pursuant to N.C.G.S. 85B-4(g). This office will contact you either by email (preferred method) or phone regarding scheduling and other exam information. If you are an auctioneer licensed in NC, you are exempt from the firm exam.

Required Application Attachments:

- Required Fees. See Out of State Auction Firm License Application Instructions for details.
- Copy of each director(s), officer(s), partner(s), and/or designated person(s) high school diploma or proof of equivalency, college diploma or transcript from high school or college. You must be 18 years old and have graduated from high school or equivalent pursuant to N.C.G.S. 85B-4(b).
- Fingerprint Card and Authority For Release of Information Form. See Out of State Auction Firm License Application Instructions for details.
- A copy of any applicable certified Articles of Incorporation, Articles of Organization, Assumed Name Certificate, or Partnership Agreement.
- Written detailed statement for questions #22 through #28 if you answered "YES." Complete details must be given. Attach a separate statement.
- Security Information Form.
- Employee Classification Form.
- Letter of Good Standing. See Out of State Auction Firm License Application Instructions for details.

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Out of State Auction Firm License Instructions

FINGERPRINT RESULTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE NCALB PRIOR TO ANY LICENSE BEING ISSUED.

NOTE: If you currently hold an active North Carolina Auctioneer License or are already affiliated with a an active auction firm, you do not have to provide documents listed in 1 and 2 below, nor submit the fingerprint card processing fee.

- 1. A copy of each director(s), officer(s), partner(s), and/or designated person(s) high school diploma or proof of equivalency. The NCALB will only accept a GED or high school diploma issued by accredited institutions. A college diploma, high school transcript or college transcript is acceptable.
- 2. Fingerprint card, Fee, and Authority For Release of Information Form pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 85B-3.2; Each director(s), officer(s), partner(s), and/or designated person(s) is required to complete an Authority for Release of Information form, a fingerprint card, and pay the processing fee to this Board. The fingerprints must be obtained by a law enforcement agency, such as the Police Department or Sheriff's Office. Each relevant person and the official taking the fingerprints must complete the card. The fingerprint lines/ridges must be clearly visible. This card may be obtain from your local Police Department or Sherriff's Office.

DO NOT FOLD THE FINGERPRINT CARD

(You may obtain a fingerprint card at a Sherriff Office or Police Department) (FORM—FD-258)

3. Proper fees, as required by 21 NCAC 4B.0202;

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(a) Firm with auctioneer as designated person	\$250.00
(\$50 application fee, \$150 license fee, \$50	recovery fund fee)
(b) Real Estate Firm with broker as designated	person \$250.00
(\$50 application fee, \$150 license fee, \$50	recovery fund fee)
(c) Firm with non-auctioneer as a designated p	person \$300.00
(\$50 application fee, \$50 examination fee,	\$150 license fee, \$50 recovery fund fee)
Fingerprint print processing fee:	\$38.00

- 4. A copy of any applicable certified Articles of Incorporation, Articles of Organization, Partnership Agreement or Assumed Name Certificate.
- 5. Social Security Information Form.
- 6. Employee Classification Form.
- 7. An original letter of good standing (license status) from each and every Board and Commission where the applicant firm and each officer(s), director(s), partner(s) and/or designated person(s) holds a valid auctioneering license of any type, if applicable. The letter(s) shall be dated no more than 30 days prior to the NCALB office receiving your application.
- 8. Two letters of credit reference that must be dated no more than 30 days prior to when the NCALB office receives your application (One must be from a banking institution).

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RESTRICTIONS AND EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS

Authority to transact business under a firm license is limited to the person or persons so designated in the application. The designated person or persons are required to satisfactorily pass a written examination on the Auctioneer Law and Rules. A currently licensed North Carolina auctioneer who is the designated person is not required to take the auction firm examination.

Licensed real estate brokers and real estate firms are exempt from the examination so long as they are involved in the selling of real property only (no personal property) at auction, and provided that they employ or associate themselves with a licensed auctioneer (requires Firm License) to handle those aspects of the transactions peculiar to the auctioneer profession.

Auction Firm examinations are given on Mondays and Thursdays at 1:30 p.m., if there is no prior conflicts, at the Board's office located at 108 Ber Creek Dr. Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526. Upon receipt of the application, supporting documents, and fees, Board staff will contact the applicant regarding the auction firm examination.

ESCROW ACCOUNT REQUIREMENTS

N.C.G.S. § 85B-7.1 Handling Clients Funds of the Auctioneers Law, and 21 NCAC 4B .0603 of the Rules and Regulations specifies the requirements concerning escrow accounts. Money, which has come into your possession through an auction sale, which is payable to the auctioneer or firm, and any portion that belongs to others, may not be commingled with your own under any circumstances N.C.G.S. § 85B-8(a)(7). In addition, such funds must be deposited in a trust or escrow account in a bank or savings and loan association **located in North Carolina**, within three business days of receiving the funds. Funds, which are disbursed to the seller on auction day, are not subject to the escrow account requirements; however, the Law and Rules specify certain record keeping requirements.

If you have any questions concerning these requirements, you should contact this office.

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NORTH CAROLINA AUCTIONEER LICENSING BOARD APPLICATION for AUCTION FIRM LICENSE



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FOR BOARD USE ONLY

License Issued Da	nte	License #	_
Board Initials			
F	EES	FIRM EXAM: Yes_	No
Application Fee		Date	Grade
Examination Fee			
License Fee			
Background Fee			
Recovery Fund		Hold Until July 1	st
Total Fees		Yes	_

	Total Fees ————		
TYPE OR PRINT IN INK (Do not use pencil)* (1) Indicate type of license desired:	**PRINT ONE-SIDED**E	OO NOT S	TAPLE
Firm with auctioneer as designated person – Fee \$250.00	[\$50.00 Application; \$150.00 L	icense; \$50.0	00 Recovery Fund]
Real Estate firm with broker as designated person – Fee \$2	250.00 [\$50 Application; \$150.0	0 License; \$	50.00 Recovery Fund]
Firm with non-auctioneer as designated person – Fee \$300 \$50.00 Recovery Fund]	0.00 [\$50.00 Application; \$50.00	Examination	n, \$150.00 License;
(2) Name of Firm			
(3) Firm's Physical address	City	State	Zip (9-digit if known)
(4) Mailing Address (if different from above) P.O. Box or Street Address	City	State	Zip (9-digit if known)
(5) Firm's Business Phone (6) Firm's	Email Address		
(7) Firm's Website Address			
(8) Applicant's Name First Fu	ıll Middle Name	Last	
(9) Applicant's Residence Street Address	City	State	Zip (9-digit if known)
(10) Applicant's Mailing address (if different from above) P.O. Box or Street Address	City	State	Zip (9-digit if known)
(11) Legal Resident of State County	Country		
(12) Date of Birth Mo. Day Yr. (13) Home Phone	(14) Cell I	Phone ()

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(15) Is Applicant the sole owner of Aucti	uction Firm?				□ No
(16) Is Applicant applying for a firm lice (If "yes", indicate names of all part dress, phone number, title if applica plication and/or if applicable, Assum	eners in the space provided in ble, and signature. Also inclu		ow. Inclu		
(17) Is Applicant applying for a firm lice (If "yes", indicate names and titles of person named, include, home address tion or Articles of Organization with	of all current Directors and Oss, phone number, and signatu	fficers in ıre. Also	the space	a copy o	f the Articles of Incorpora-
(18) List below the appropriate informati	on requested from questions #	16 and #	17 (attach	additio	nal sheet if necessary):
Printed Name	Signature		Title		
Street Address or Rural Highway Number	City	State	Zip (9-digit if k	nown)	Phone Number
Printed Name	Signature		Title		
Street Address or Rural Highway Number	City	State	Zip (9-digit if k	nown)	Phone Number
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Street Address or Rural Highway Number	City	State	Zip (9-digit if k	nown)	Phone Number
Printed Name	Signature		Title		
Street Address or Rural Highway Number	City	State	Zip (9-digit if k	nown)	Phone Number
(19) Designated Person(s) - Each firm m na on behalf of the firm. Such auth pals of the firm). Provide the name and indicate if the person is an aucti auction firm examination will be required.	ority is limited to the designate of each designated person, it oneer or a real estate broker.	ted perso nclude th Refer to	n(s) only eir home page 4 of	(they ar address	e not required to be princi- , phone number, signature,
Printed Name	Signature			Auctioneer or	Real Estate Broker and License #
Street Address or Rural Highway Number	City	State	Zip (9-digit if k	nown)	Phone Number
Printed Name	Signature			Auctioneer or	Real Estate Broker and License #
Street Address or Rural Highway Number	City	State	Zip (9-digit if k	nown)	Phone Number
Printed Name	Signature			Auctioneer or	Real Estate Broker and License #
Street Address or Rural Highway Number	City	State	Zip (9-digit if k	nown)	Phone Number
(20) Has each partner, Officer, Director of Yes No	or Designated Person graduate	d from hi	gh school	l or obta	ined a GED?

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(21)	Have you or any principal or of auction license in any state	, including North Car	olina? If "yes", inc	licate below and pro		☐ No tter of Good Sta	nding fi	rom
	each state(s), except NC in w Name		y licensed. (attach a f License	dditional sheet if ne License Number	eded,): State	From mo./yr.	To mo	o./yr.
							Yes	No
(22)	Have you or any principal or other business or professional (If "yes", attach a separate sta	I license of any type in	n N.C. or any other					
(23)	Have you or any principal of voked or surrendered, or have jurisdiction, or is there any s license you hold?	e you ever been discipuch action pending a	olined by the licensi gainst you in conn	ing authorities in N.G ection with any auct	C. or any ioneer or	other state or auction firm		
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(25)	Have you or any principal or than minor traffic offenses; D (If "yes", attach a separate sta	UI/DWI <u>are</u> <u>not</u> mir	or traffic offenses					
(26)	Have you or any principal or traffic offenses; DUI/DWI and you?	re <u>not</u> minor traffic	offenses) or is ther	e any criminal charg	e now per	nding against		
	(If "yes", attach a separate sta	itement giving compl	ete details.)					
(27)	Are there any unpaid judgeme (If "yes", provide name of cre					d person?		
(28)	Have you or any principal or bankruptcy proceeding?							
	(If "yes", provide a copy of the Also, provide a complete exp	he bankruptcy order d	lischarging you from	m debts, or bankrupt	cy petitio	n if pending.		
(29)	Character Endorsement – reside in the community in w presently nor do we propose individually; and that he or sh	which the applicant re- to be associated with	sides (or has resident the applicant in the	ed); that we are not re ne auction business;	elated to that the	the applicant; the applicant is wel	hat we a 1 knowr	are not n to us
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	How long have you know	wn the applicant?		How long have your In what capacity?		the applicant?		
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(30)	Licenses are issued in the firm's name as you have indicated auction business under any other name, trade name, or assum NCAC 4B/0601. List known names below:			
(31)	All licenses expire June 30 th each year, regardless of the dat at the next regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Board will be issued immediately after that meeting. Applicants shou Issue license as soon as possible. Hold I	(following exauld indicate the	mination, if applicable) a	and, if approved, your license
332)	 This affidavit to be executed by applicant before a notary positive. The undersigned, in making this application to the North Carolina 1. That he/she is the applicant named herein; That he/she has read and understands the North Carolina censing Board; That he/she agrees to abide by the North Carolina Auction 4. That he/she is authorized by the other principals to make tions, rules or regulations as may be imposed by Rule, Sta 5. That the answers and information contained herein are true 6. That he/she understands that any omissions, inaccuracies of deny permission to take an examination or to deny a licenthe Board; That he/she understands that the Board may make such if and any designated person's character, record and background to furnish any additional information or documentation red 	Auctioneer Livers Law and let this application tue or Agreement to the best of	Rules; on on their behalf as to be ent with the Board; his/her knowledge and be ke full disclosures may be lid renewal of or suspend vestigation concerning the ard deems necessary, and	des and Regulations of the Li- bind them to any term, condi- elief; be deemed sufficient reason to or revoke a license issued by the applicant's, any principal's
	Sworn and Subscribed to before me this	_ day of	,	20
	(Name of Notary Public)		(Signature of No	tary Public)
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North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board

Public Notice Statement
Required by N.C.Gen. Stat. § 143-764(a)(5), effective December 31, 2017

Any worker who is defined as an employee by N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 95-25.2(4)(NC Department Of Labor), 143-762(a)(3) (Employee Fair Classification Act), 96-1(b)(10)(Employment Security Act), 97-2(2)(Workers' Compensation Act), or 105-163.1(4)(Withholding; Estimated Income Tax for Individuals) shall be treated as an employee unless the individual is an independent contractor. Any employee who believes that the employee has been misclassified as an independent contractor by the employee's employer may report the suspected misclassification to the Employee Classification Section with the North Carolina Industrial Commission.

Employee Classification Section North Carolina Industrial Commission 1233 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-1233 Telephone: (919) 807-2582 Fax: (919) 715-0282

Email: emp.classification@ic.nc.gov

Employee misclassification is **defined** as avoiding tax liabilities and other obligations imposed by Chapter 95, 96, 97, 105, or 143 of the North Carolina General Statues by misclassifying an employee as an independent contractor. [N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-762(5)]

I certify that I have read the Public Notice Statement above and that I understand it.

(Check one of the following)
I have not been investigated _____ / I have been investigated _____ for employee misclassification and have attached the results of the investigation to this application/renewal.

Printed Name of Applicant: ______

Signature of Applicant: ______

IMPORTANT

All information must be completed on the fingerprint card in order for the card to be processed by the State Bureau of Investigation. Any omission will result in the card being returned to the applicant for completed information and having to be resubmitted!

AUTHORITY FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION FORM

I authorize the North Carolina Department of Justice through the STATE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION to perform a fingerprint search of the State's criminal history record file and, if applicable, a fingerprint search of the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S files for a national criminal history record check in connection with my application for licensure by the North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board - State and Federal - NCGS143B-937 and 85B-3.2. I understand my rights to complete or challenge the accuracy of the information contained in the FBI identification record. The procedures for obtaining a change, correction, or update of an FBI identification records are set forth in Title 28, CFR, 16.34.

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	LAST NAME	FIRST	MIDDLE	MAIDEN
	(Print or Type)			
	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (Optional*)	DOB	SEX	RACE
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Date				
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FINGERPRINT PROCESSING FEE — \$38.00

(State & Federal)

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER INFORMATION

The purpose of the Board collecting your number is to positively identify you among credit history documents and other documents and records where the social security number has been used for identification. This is a requirement pursuant to N.C.G.S. 93B-14.

Applicant's Printed Name	Applicant's Signature	Applicant's Social Security Number
		<u> </u>
If you are applying for an auction Person for their disclosure of their	n firm license, please provide this form to r social security number.	each Director, Officer, Partner, and/or Designated
Applicant's Printed Name	Applicant's Signature	Applicant's Social Security Number
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DESIGNATION OF AGENT FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

The undersigned, being an applicant for licensure as a non-resident Auctioneer, Apprentice Auctioneer, a principal or designated person for an Auction Firm, or an Auction Firm, of the State of North Carolina, does hereby irrevocably designate and appoint the Executive Director, North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board, State of North Carolina, as his, her, or its agent for the purpose of accepting service of any and all processes issued by any court located within the State of North Carolina, as well as service of all pleadings and other papers, relating in any way to any action, suit or legal proceeding arising out of or pertaining to his, her, or its duties or responsibilities as a non-resident Auctioneer, Apprentice Auctioneer, a principal or designated person for an Auction Firm, or an Auction Firm, in the State of North Carolina. The undersigned further consents, stipulates and agrees that any lawful process served upon the aforesaid agent shall have the same legal force and validity as if served upon the undersigned personally within the State of North Carolina, and that the authority contained herein shall continue in force and effect so long as any liability against the undersigned remains outstanding in the State of North Carolina.

Signature of Applicant (or) Principal or Designated Person of Applicant Firm	Prin	Print Name of Auction Firm (if applicable)		
State of	County of			
This will certify that	Applicant's, Principal's, or Designated Persor			
personally appeared before the undersigned N and acknowledged the execution of the foregoi for the purposes therein set forth.	lotary in and for the above-n	amed County and State on this date		
Sworn and Subscribed to before me this	day of	20		
(Name of Notary Public)	(Signat	cure of Notary Public)		
My Comi	mission Expires			
(AFFIX SEAL)				
-	MENT FOR AUCTION FIRMS FOR A CORPORATION:	S IF		

(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL)



North Carolina Auction Firm Examination Information

The examination was designed to determine if the designated person has a working knowledge of the Auctioneer Law and Rules. The examination involves a possible score of 100 points; with a required minimum score of 75 points to pass the examination. The examination must be passed before the application can be presented to the Board.

Authority to transact business under a firm license is limited to the person or persons so designated in the application. The designated person or persons are required to satisfactorily pass a written examination on the Auctioneer Law and Rules **prior** to being licensed. A licensed auctioneer who is the designated person for a firm is <u>not</u> required to take the auction firm examination.

Licensed real estate brokers and real estate firms are <u>exempt</u> from the auction firm examination so long as they are involved in the selling of real property only at auction, and provided that they employ or associate themselves with a licensed auctioneer to handle those aspects of the transactions peculiar to the auctioneer profession.

The auction firm examination is given in Fuquay-Varina at the Board's offices. The office will contact you regarding the auction firm exam information upon receipt of the firm application, supporting documents, and fees. If you have any questions, you may contact the office.

All applications and supporting documentation are subject to the approval of the Licensing Board.

The firm exam will be graded within 3 business days. Examination score will be sent by email or regular mail, if examinee does not have an email address.

INFORMATION THAT MAY BE HELPFUL IN PREPARING FOR THE EXAMINATION

- 1. Be thoroughly familiar with the North Carolina Auctioneers Law and the North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board Rules and Regulations. There are available on the Board's website at www.ncalb.org.
- 2. Other helpful information can be found on at www.ncab.org.
- 3. An applicant should have sufficient educational background to be able to read with comprehension.
- 4. Prior experience as an apprentice auctioneer, or any experience gained by working at auctions as a clerk, cashier, or groundman will be helpful.

Persons experienced in the sale of goods or real estate at auction may be a helpful source of information.

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EXAMPLES OF QUESTIONS ON THE AUCTION FIRM EXAMINATION

THE EXAMINATION INCLUDES MULTIPLE CHOICE AND LISTING QUESTIONS AS FOLLOWS:

Darken the appropriate letter on the answer sheet that represents your choice. Examples:

- 1. The Auctioneer Licensing Board may deny, suspend, or revoke a license upon which of the following grounds?
 - a) violation of any provision of Chapter 85B of the General Statutes
 - b) failure to possess truth, honesty and integrity
 - c) violation of any federal or state statute or rule relating to the auctioneering profession
 - d) any of these grounds
- 2. The annual fee to renew an auction firm license is:
 - a) \$100.00
 - b) \$150.00
 - c) \$175.00
 - d) \$200.00
- 3. In order to conduct an auction in North Carolina, a licensee must first have a written agreement with the owner of the property to be sold. The licensee is required to do which of the following:
 - a) the agreement must contain the terms and conditions upon which the auctioneer received the goods for sale
 - b) provide the owner with a signed copy of the agreement
 - c) keep at least one copy of the agreement for his own records for two years from the date of the agreement
 - d) all of the above are required by the licensee
- 4. If an auction is conducted "with reserve":
 - a) the auctioneer must sell to the highest bidder, regardless of price
 - b) a retraction of a bid automatically revives a previous bid
 - c) the auctioneer may withdraw the goods at any time prior to the announcement of completion of sale
 - d) the auctioneer must announce the "reserve" amount

Listing:

Place the correct answer in the appropriate space on your answer sheet. Examples:

- 1. The Auctioneer Law requires that written agreements of auction sales be maintained by the licensee for what period of time?
- 2. List two violations of the Auctioneers Law or Rules that can serve as grounds for suspension or revocation of an auctioneer's/auction firm's license.
- 3. Licenses that have been lapsed for more than how many months may not be renewed?
- 4. The Auctioneer Recovery Fund must maintain a minimum level of what amount for recovery and guaranty purposes?

Answers will be found in the NC Auctioneers Law and North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board Rules and Regulations, N.C.G.S. 85B, 21 NCAC 4B, and Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) § 25.2.328 Sale by Auction.



Board Meeting Dates

North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board

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All Application materials are required to be submitted prior to the Application deadline. Be advised that all completed applications are presented to the Auctioneer Licensing Board for review and approval. Licenses are <u>not</u> issued until approval by the Board. Individuals taking the auctioneer licensing exam should follow the examination filing schedule when making application. Board meeting dates are subject to change.

Board Meeting Dates:

January 13, 2025 ((Monday)

February 10, 2025 (Monday)

March 10, 2025 (Monday)

April 14, 2025 (Monday)

May 12, 2025 (Monday)

June 9, 2025 (Monday)

July 14, 2025 (Monday)

August 11, 2025 (Monday)

September 8, 2025 (Monday)

October 13, 2025 (Monday)

November 10, 2025 (Monday)

December 8, 2025 (Monday)

Application Deadline Dates:

December 31, 2024 (Tuesday)

January 29, 2025 (Wednesday)

February 26, 2025 (Wednesday)

April 2, 2025 (Wednesday)

April 30, 2025 (Wednesday)

May 28, 2025 (Wednesday)

July 1, 2025 (Tuesday)

July 30, 2025 (Wednesday)

August 26, 2025 (Tuesday)

October 1, 2025 (Wednesday)

October 29, 2025 (Wednesday)

November 24, 2025 (Monday)