

bps®	In-center Testing	Live Remote Proctored (LRP) Testing
Examination Fees	No difference in fees	
Candidate Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All approved candidates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only approved U.S. and Canadian candidates
Eligible Specialties	All BPS Specialties	
Scheduling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on Testing Center availability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flexible, based on proctor availability and candidate's schedule
Workstation Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided by the Testing Center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must use a well-lit room, with a closed door, and free from background noise and disruptions Desktop or laptop (Windows and MacOS compatible) Webcam (at least 640 x 480-pixel resolution) Microphone or headset High-speed Internet Access (i.e., recommended upload/download speed of 0.5 mbps and 1 mbps; respectively) Google Chrome
Check-in Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrive at the test center 30 minutes beforehand Present valid, government issued ID and signature bearing ID to Prometric test center staff. Eyeglasses must be visually inspected by Prometric test center staff. Jewelry outside of wedding and engagement rings is prohibited. Large jewelry and any prohibited items must be stored in the locker provided by the testing center. * 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Candidates must consent to the collection and processing of personal data (including valid photo ID, video images of your person, workspace, and/or room in your home or office), and biometrics (i.e. facial recognition technology) Log into ProProctor 30 minutes beforehand Use webcam to present valid, government issued ID and signature to Prometric agent Eyeglasses must be visually inspected by webcam. Jewelry outside of wedding and engagement rings is prohibited. Hair accessories, ties, and bowties are subject to video inspection. Personal accessories and any other prohibited items must be removed from the workspace. *
Proctoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talking to other candidates in the Test Center, referring to their screens, testing materials, or written notes is strictly prohibited. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Candidates must ensure that no one else (i.e., person or pet) is present, is audible, or enters the room for the duration of the exam. If this occurs, the exam will be terminated and/or results invalidated. Leaving the camera view while the exam is in progress is strictly prohibited.
Exam Length and Duration	All examinations for initial board certification are comprised of 175 questions (i.e., Section 1, 100 questions administered over 2.5 hours; Section 2, 75 questions administered over 1.5 hours). All recertification examinations for board-certified pharmacists are comprised of 100 questions (i.e., limited to Section 1 only)	
Scheduled Break(s)	A 30-minute scheduled break is allowed between the first and second section. Security protocols will be repeated prior to beginning	
Unscheduled Break(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All candidates must sign-out when leaving the Testing Center and inform the proctor before accessing a stored item during a break, including medicine. Repeated or lengthy departures from the Test Center will be reported to BPS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No more than one (1) unscheduled break will be allowed per section, and for no more than ten (10) minutes in duration. If an unscheduled break exceeds ten (10) minutes, the examination will be terminated, and BPS will be notified. Please note that the remote proctor will repeat the check-in procedure after each break (unscheduled or otherwise).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upon return from a break, candidates must repeat all security checks, to be readmitted to the Test Center. 	
Exam Interruption(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a technical issue lasts longer than 30 minutes and prevents you from continuing with the examination, you may choose to stop and schedule to another day, or you may continue to wait for the resolution. Again, most technical issues are resolved quickly. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a candidate elects to stop the testing session voluntarily or experiences an extended interruption (i.e., for longer than 10 minutes due to power failure, or loss of internet connectivity), the examination will be terminated, and a report filed with BPS. • Also, Prometric implements a “3-strike rule”, by which, if the candidate is disconnected, for whatever reason, on three occasions, the examination is terminated. • BPS’s existing retake policy applies and, in most cases, requires retesting in a future testing window.
Use of Scratch Paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dry erase board provided by Prometric 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two pieces of blank, candidate supplied, scratch paper (must be 8”x10” computer printer paper) will be permitted by Prometric at the time of LRP test administration. • Candidates must show the blank paper (front and back) to the proctor during check-in. • At the end of the exam, candidates must rip up the scratch paper in front of the camera so that the proctor can observe disposal of the scratch paper. • Mechanical pens and pencils are prohibited.
Use of Calculator	Online calculator provided by Prometric	
Score Reporting	<p>All Spring 2022 scores will be reported approximately 6-8 weeks following the end of the April-May Testing Window (i.e., early- to mid-July 2022) All Fall 2022 scores will be reported approximately 6-8 weeks following the end of the Sept-Oct Testing Window (i.e., early- to mid-November 2022)</p>	

**This resource document is intended to assist board-eligible pharmacists applying for BPS certification examinations for the April-May (4/18/2022 through 5/15/2022) and the September-October (9/5/2022 through 9/26/2022) Testing Windows. Other restrictions and considerations may apply; please refer to the BPS Candidate’s and Recertification Guides for additional information.*