

This is to define the requirements and admission procedures for Membership in the New Brunswick Massotherapy Association.

1. Requirements

- a. All applicants for admission to Active Membership in the NBMA must have completed a 2,200 program of instruction in massage therapy based on NBMA Policy 3-9 Core Curriculum from a recognized College of Massage Therapy or provide satisfactory proof that their training and experience is at least equivalent to that standard.

2. Procedures

- a. The Standards and Examinations Committee of the NBMA shall set the requisite standards for qualification as a Massage Therapist, approve Massage Therapy Schools and their curriculum, set and administer qualification examinations, and shall be responsible for the establishment and approval of inter-provincial standards and qualifications.
- b. The Standards and Examinations Committee shall evaluate all applications for Membership and shall approve them or advise the Registrar and the Applicant of the nature of any deficiencies.
- c. Applicants for Admission shall complete the Application for Membership Package available from the Registrar and shall meet the appropriate requirements below:

3. New Graduates from Massage Therapy Schools approved by the NBMA

- a. Shall have graduated from one of the Massage Therapy Schools listed in NBMA Policy 3-13 Approved Massage Therapy Schools.
- b. Applicants shall provide satisfactory proof of successful completion of the program of at least 2,200 hours of the approved Massage Therapy School.
- c. Applicants must pass the Oral and Practical Admission Examination administered by the NBMA Standards and Examinations Committee.
- d. Applicants having *successfully completed the massage therapy courses requirements* with a cumulative final grade of 85% or higher shall be exempt from the Oral and Practical Admission Examination administered by the NBMA Standards and Examinations Committee if they apply within three months of graduation.
- e. Shall pay all required fees for Active Membership and for examination if necessary.

4. New Graduates from Canadian Massage Therapy Schools not approved by the NBMA

- a. Applicants shall provide satisfactory proof of successful completion of the program of a Massage Therapy School of at least 2,200 hours duration.
- b. Applicants shall submit a copy of the Massage Therapy School's Course Outline for evaluation by the NBMA Standards and Examinations Committee.
- c. Applicants must pass the Oral and Practical Admission Examination administered by the NBMA Standards and Examinations Committee.
- d. Applicants shall pay all required fees for examination and Membership.

5. Existing Registered Massage Therapists from Other Canadian Provinces where Massage Therapy is Legislated

- a. Applicants shall provide satisfactory proof of successful completion of the program of a Massage Therapy School of at least 2,200 hours duration.
- b. Applicants shall provide proof of Membership in good standing in the Legislated Province.
- c. Applicants shall pay all required fees for Membership.

6. Existing Registered Massage Therapists from Canadian Provinces where Massage Therapy is not Legislated

- a. Applicants shall provide satisfactory proof of successful completion of the program of a Massage Therapy School of at least 2,200 hours duration.
- b. Applicants shall submit a copy of the Massage Therapy School's Course Outline for evaluation by the NBMA Standards and Examinations Committee.
- c. Applicants may submit, instead of the proof referred to above, a Prior Learning Assessment Recognition from a recognized agency, satisfactory to the NBMA, attesting to an educational accomplishment equivalent to that required by the NBMA Core Curriculum.
- d. Applicants must pass the Oral and Practical Admission Examination administered by the NBMA Standards and Examinations Committee.
- e. Applicants shall pay all required fees for examination and Membership.

7. Existing Massage Therapists from outside of Canada

- a. Applicants must provide, in the English language, satisfactory proof of successful completion of the program of a Massage Therapy School of at least 2,200 hours duration.

- b. Applicants may submit, instead of the proof referred to above, a Prior Learning Assessment Recognition from a recognized agency, satisfactory to the NBMA, attesting to an educational accomplishment equivalent to that required by the NBMA Core Curriculum.
- c. Applicants must pass the Oral and Practical Admission Examination administered by the NBMA Standards and Examinations Committee.
- d. Applicants shall pay all required fees for examination and Membership.