

## AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Pursuant to sections 207, 305, 3001, 3006 and 3009 of the Education Law.

1. Clause (b) of subparagraph (i) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of section 80-3.3 of the Regulations of the Commissioner is amended, effective April 29, 2015, to read as follows:

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, for candidates applying for certification on or after May 1, 2014 or candidates who applied for certification on or before April 30, 2014 but did not meet all the requirements for an initial certificate on or before April 30, 2014, such candidates shall submit evidence of having achieved a satisfactory level of performance on the New York State Teacher Certification Examination teacher performance assessment, the educating all students test, the academic literacy skills test and the content specialty test(s) in the area of the certificate, except that a candidate seeking an initial certificate in the title of Speech and Language Disabilities (all grades) shall not be required to achieve a satisfactory level of performance on the content specialty test or the teacher performance assessment and a candidate seeking an initial certificate in the title of Educational Technology Specialist (all grades) shall not be required to achieve a satisfactory level of performance on the teacher performance assessment. Provided however, if a candidate applies for and meets all the requirements for an initial certificate on or before [June 30, 2015 (including completing and submitting for scoring the teacher performance assessment)] June 30, 2016, except the candidate does not [receive] achieve a satisfactory [score] level of performance on the teacher performance assessment, the candidate may meet the requirements for an initial certificate, if the candidate either:

(1) receives a satisfactory score on the written assessment of teaching skills after receipt of his/her score on the teacher performance assessment and prior to June 30, 2015; or

(2) passes the written assessment of teaching skills on or before April 30, 2014 (before the new certification examination requirements became effective) and the candidate has taken and failed the teacher performance assessment prior to June 30, 2015.

2. Clause (b) of subparagraph (i) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section 80-3.4 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended, effective April 29, 2015, as follows:

(b) Candidates who hold a transitional C certificate for career changers and others holding a graduate academic or graduate professional degree, pursuant to the requirements of section 80-5.14 this Part, and who apply for certification on or after May 1, 2014 or candidates who apply for professional certification on or before April 30, 2014 but do not meet all the requirements for a professional certificate on or before April 30, 2014 shall submit evidence of having achieved a satisfactory level of performance on the New York State Teacher Certification Examination teacher performance assessment. Provided however, if a candidate applies for and meets all the requirements for an initial certificate on or before [June 30, 2015 (including completing and submitting for scoring the teacher performance assessment)] June 30, 2016, except the candidate does not [receive] achieve a satisfactory [score] level of performance on the teacher performance assessment, the candidate may meet the requirements for an initial certificate, if the candidate either:

(1) receives a satisfactory score on the written assessment of teaching skills after receipt of his/her score on the teacher performance assessment and prior to June 30, 2015; or

(2) passes the written assessment of teaching skills on or before April 30, 2014 (before the new certification examination requirements became effective) and the candidate has taken and failed the teacher performance assessment prior to June 30, 2015.

3. Clause (b) of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of section 80-5.13 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended, effective April 29, 2015, to read as follows:

(b) A candidate who applies for an initial certificate on or after May 1, 2014 or who applies for an initial certificate on or before April 30, 2014 but does not meet all the requirements for an initial certificate on April 30, 2014, shall submit evidence of having achieved a satisfactory level of performance on the teacher performance assessment, if applicable for that certificate title, and any other examination required for the provisional or initial certificate, as applicable, and/or a bilingual education extension of such certificate, as applicable. Provided however, if a candidate applies for and meets all the requirements for an initial certificate on or before [June 30, 2015 (including completing and submitting for scoring the teacher performance assessment)] June 30, 2016, except the candidate does not [receive] achieve a satisfactory [score] level of performance on the teacher performance assessment, the candidate may meet the requirements for an initial certificate, if the candidate either:

(1) receives a satisfactory score on the written assessment of teaching skills after receipt of his/her score on the teacher performance assessment and prior to June 30, 2015; or

(2) passes the written assessment of teaching skills on or before April 30, 2014 (before the new certification examination requirements became effective) and the candidate has taken and failed the teacher performance assessment prior to June 30, 2015.