

# REQUEST FOR TESTING ACCOMMODATION ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the attached application if English is your second language, you meet the qualifications listed below, and you are requesting time-and-one-half (1.5x) on your exam.

Your request must be submitted along with the required documentation to:

Board of Behavioral Sciences  
1625 North Market Blvd., Suite S200  
Sacramento CA 95834

Accommodations will NOT be provided at the exam site unless prior approval by the Board has been granted. Do not schedule an exam until you receive notification of an approved accommodation. **Allow 90 days for processing.**

Candidates must apply for the exam separately. This application is available on the Board's website at [www.bbs.ca.gov](http://www.bbs.ca.gov), and requires 4 to 6 weeks for processing.

## REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

Submit ONE of the following with the attached application:

1. **Score of 85 or below on the *Test of English as a Foreign Language, Internet-Based Test (TOEFL-iBT)*, taken within the two (2) years prior to application.**

Documentation Required: Your TOEFL-iBT scores must be sent directly to the Board from the Educational Testing Service (ETS), or you may attach them in an envelope that has been SEALED BY ETS.

2. **Prior ESL accommodation granted by your qualifying degree program.**

Documentation Required: Attach a letter from the chair of the degree program or from the school's chief academic officer.

3. **Degree program that qualified you for licensure was obtained from a school outside of the United States AND at least 50% of the coursework was presented in a language other than English.**

Documentation Required: Attach a letter from the chair of the degree program or from the school's chief academic officer.

