

Provincial **Entry to Practice Requirements for Optometrists** that have graduated from an Accreditation Council on Optometric Education (ACOE) accredited school

Province	School	Board Exams	Jurisprudence	Other
British Columbia	Must graduate from ACOE accredited school and forward official transcript	CACO or NBEO	BC Jurisprudence exam	Registration application form, criminal record check, notarized copy of government issued photo ID, certificate of good standing from a previous jurisdiction if OD was practicing in a different province previously
Alberta	Must graduate from ACOE accredited school and forward official transcript	CACO	ACO Jurisprudence exam	Registration form, CPR certification, criminal record check, notarized photograph, certificate of good standing from a previous jurisdiction if OD was practicing in a different province previously
Saskatchewan	Must graduate from ACOE accredited school and forward official transcript (both optometry and undergraduate)	CACO	SAO Jurisprudence exam	Registration form, criminal record check, CPR level B, confirmation of liability insurance, certificate of good standing from a previous jurisdiction if

				OD was practicing in a different province previously
Manitoba	Must graduate from ACOE accredited school and forward official transcript (both optometry and undergraduate)	CACO	MAO Jurisprudence exam	Registration Form, criminal record check, notarized photograph, proof of liability insurance, certificate of good standing from a previous jurisdiction if OD was practicing in a different province previously
Ontario	Must graduate from ACOE accredited school and forward official notarized transcripts of all degrees, fellowships and certificates	CACO	Ontario Jurisprudence exam	Registration Form, criminal record check, notarized passport photo and notarized birth certificate, passport, citizenship card, permanent residency or authorization under the Immigration Act to engage in the practice of optometry, certificate of good standing from a previous jurisdiction if OD was practicing in a different province previously

Quebec	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Graduates of Quebec: School of Optometry University of Montreal 2. Graduates of other ACOE accredited Schools 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. None 2. CACO 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. None 2. Information session about practice in Quebec 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Obtain liability insurance, participate in a swearing in ceremony (not mandatory) 2. Obtain liability insurance, meet language requirements
New Brunswick	Must graduate from ACOE accredited school and forward official transcript (both optometry and undergraduate)	CACO	NB Jurisprudence Exam	Proof of Canadian Citizenship, RCMP criminal record check, recent photograph, three confidential assessment forms completed by eyecare related professionals, certificate of good standing from a previous jurisdiction if OD was practicing in a different province previously
Nova Scotia	Must graduate from ACOE accredited school and forward official transcript	CACO	NS Jurisprudence Exam	Complete application form, criminal record check and, must have Canadian citizenship, permanent residency or authorization under the Immigration Act to engage in the practice

				of optometry, certificate of good standing from a previous jurisdiction if OD was practicing in a different province previously
Prince Edward Island	Must graduate from ACOE accredited school and forward official transcript (both optometry and undergraduate)	CACO	PEI Jurisprudence Exam	Confidential Assessment Form completed by assessors of your choice, recent photograph, CPIC Criminal Record Synopsis, valid CPR, proof of liability insurance, certificate of good standing from a previous jurisdiction if OD was practicing in a different province previously
Newfoundland and Labrador	Must graduate from ACOE accredited school and forward official transcript	CACO	NL Jurisprudence Exam	Complete application form, criminal record check, notarized photograph, 2 character reference letters, evidence of Canadian Citizenship or notarized evidence from Immigration Canada of having permission to work in Canada, and proof of liability

				insurance, certificate of good standing from a previous jurisdiction if OD was practicing in a different province previously
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