

NBSTSA Surgical Experience Verification Form

Certified Surgical Technologist Examination (For Military Candidates)



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IMPORTANT: Candidate MUST supply a Surgical Experience Verification form from candidate's commanding officer or current surgical department director. The NBSTSA Surgical Experience Verification Form is valid for two years from the date it is notarized.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION:

Last Name, First (**Legal name**), Middle (PLEASE PRINT)

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Last 4 digits of Social Security Number

Signature

Date

EXAMINATION ELIGIBILITY:

Candidate establishing eligibility for the Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) must have successfully completed military training in surgical technology. Required documentation to establish eligibility include a DD214 demonstrating graduation from a military training program and/or a graduation certificate. A notarized verification form from the candidate's commanding officer or current surgical department director attesting to completion of surgical case experiences as defined by the most current edition of the Core Curriculum for Surgical Technology. Clinical case verification is waived in the event the candidate has graduated from a military program currently accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) or Accredited Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES).

SECTION I: Commanding Officer/Surgical Department Director (To be supplied by supervisor)

Instructions: This form must be filled out completely (no blanks) and submitted with a completed CST application. Complete all information in Section I. Please print legibly in blue or black ink.

Commanding Officer/Surgical Department Director

Job Title

Facility/Institution

Mailing Address (include apartment # if applicable) City

State

Zip Code

Phone Number

Fax Number

Email

Applicant's Surgical Technology Experience Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Applicant's Surgical Technology Experience End Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Total number of cases you have supervised



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SECTION II: (To be completed by supervisor named in Section I)

Candidates MUST function in the operating room at all times in the PRESENCE and under the DIRECT observation/supervision for the experience to be applicable to the examination eligibility requirements.

Minimal Requirements Met:

I. 80 Total Surgical Procedures in the first scrub position-solo* role of which:

- No less than one-half (40) of surgical procedures must be in General Surgery
- Remainder of surgical procedures must be distributed over no less than two additional surgical specialty areas

Commanding Officer/Surgical Department Director's verification of work experience:

- ☐ Yes, I verify that, to the best of my knowledge, this applicant's information about work experience at this facility is true.
- ☐ No, The correct information is:

Supervisor's Signature (Must be notarized)

Date

Last Name, First (**Legal name**), Middle (PLEASE PRINT)

Job Title

Phone Number

Notary Public

My Commission Expires



*Required Role Criteria for First Scrub Position-Solo

The surgical technologist shall perform more than 90% of the following duties during any given surgical intervention, with proficiency:

- Check supplies and equipment needed for the surgical procedure
- Scrubs, gowns, and gloves
- Sets up the sterile table with instruments, supplies, equipment, and medication/solutions needed for the procedure
- Performs appropriate counts with the circulator prior to the procedure and before the incision is closed
- Gowns and gloves the surgeon and assistants
- Helps in draping the sterile field
- Passes instruments, etc. to the surgeon during the procedure
- Maintains the highest standard of sterile technique during the procedure
- Prepares sterile dressings
- Performs terminal activities of cleaning and preparation of instruments, supplies, and the room