



INTERNATIONAL SPECIALIST IN MICROBIOLOGY
 WORK EXPERIENCE DOCUMENTATION FORM (Routes 1, 2, 3 & 4)

PART I (TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT)

Applicant's Name _____ Address _____
 Email Address _____

PART II (MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY LABORATORY MANAGEMENT* OR EMPLOYER IN ORDER TO BE ACCEPTABLE)

SUBJECT: VERIFICATION OF WORK EXPERIENCE FOR EXAMINATION ELIGIBILITY

This individual, identified above, has applied for the Board of Certification International Specialist in Microbiology examination. In order to establish this applicant's eligibility for certification, the following information is necessary:

1. PLEASE COMPLETE: EMPLOYMENT (INCLUDING ON-THE-JOB TRAINING)

Date employment **started** in Microbiology: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
 Date employment **ended** in Microbiology: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
 How many hours per week in Microbiology? _____ (average, if necessary)

2. DIRECTIONS: Please review the experience of this applicant. Please place an **X** by each area in which this applicant has demonstrated proficiency under your supervision by using **The Guidelines for Evaluating Experience of a Candidate for International Specialist in Microbiology**. (NOTE: Experience is required in **4** of the 6 areas listed below.)

_____ Bacteriology	_____ Mycobacteriology
_____ Molecular Microbiology	_____ Parasitology
_____ Mycology	_____ Virology

3. BY SIGNING THIS FORM, I AS LABORATORY MANAGEMENT* OR EMPLOYER VERIFY THAT THIS APPLICANT HAS PERFORMED SATISFACTORILY IN THE MICROBIOLOGY AREAS CHECKED ON THIS FORM.

 (Please Print) Laboratory Management* or Employer Name Title _____

 Laboratory Management* or Employer Signature Date _____

 Laboratory Management* or Employer Email Address Institution Telephone Number _____

 Institution _____

 Institution Address _____

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**Management is defined as someone in a management role who can verify technical experience.*

GUIDELINES FOR EVALUATING EXPERIENCE OF A CANDIDATE

INTERNATIONAL SPECIALIST IN MICROBIOLOGY

To qualify for certification as an International Specialist in Microbiology, the applicant should be proficient in **ALL** of the tests and procedures indicated in **4** of the 6 areas of experience listed below.

AREA OF EXPERIENCE	EXTENT OF EXPERIENCE
BACTERIOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specimen evaluation and processing • Microscopic examination of specimens • Media selection • Culture evaluation • Manual, automated, and/or molecular methods for detection and identification of microorganisms • Antibiotic susceptibility testing • Instrument preventive maintenance and troubleshooting • Quality assurance / laboratory safety • Problem solving / troubleshooting
MOLECULAR MICROBIOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specimen evaluation and processing • Prevention of nucleic acid contamination • Nucleic acid extraction methods (manual and automated)* • Manual and automated detection, identification, and quantitation methods • Molecular epidemiology* • Instrument preventative maintenance and troubleshooting • Quality assurance / laboratory safety • Problem solving / troubleshooting
MYCOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specimen evaluation and processing • Microscopic examination of specimens • Media selection • Culture evaluation • Manual, automated, and/or molecular methods for detection and identification of microorganisms • Antifungal susceptibility testing* • Instrument preventive maintenance and troubleshooting • Quality assurance / laboratory safety • Problem solving / troubleshooting
MYCOBACTERIOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specimen evaluation and processing • Microscopic examination of specimens • Media selection • Culture evaluation

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manual, automated, and/or molecular methods for detection and identification of microorganisms • Antimycobacterial susceptibility testing* • Instrument preventive maintenance and troubleshooting • Quality assurance / laboratory safety • Problem solving / troubleshooting
PARASITOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specimen evaluation and processing • Quality assurance / laboratory safety • Microscopic and macroscopic examination of specimens • Manual, automated, and/or molecular methods for detection and identification of microorganisms • Problem solving / troubleshooting
VIROLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specimen evaluation and processing • Cell culture* • Quality assurance / laboratory safety • Manual, automated, and/or molecular methods for detection, identification, and quantitation of microorganisms • Problem solving / troubleshooting

***PROFICIENCY MAY BE DEMONSTRATED THROUGH PERFORMANCE, OBSERVATION, OR SIMULATION.**