

Comparison of Massachusetts DESE School Nurse Licensure Requirements

Initial License

Initial	Provisional	Temporary
RN	RN	RN
MTEL	MTEL	No MTEL
BSN/MSN	BSN/MSN	No Requirement
Complete all DPH Courses	Complete 2 of the 4 DPH courses (Must have either medication administration in school setting; SN practice in mass (MED DEL) AND one of the following: -Foundations, OR -Intro to SN	No Requirement
Minimum 2 yr relevant community nurse setting	No	Minimum 3 years of nursing experience as an RN
Valid for 5 years	Only valid for one year unless the district reapplies.	ONLY VALID for one year -either 23/24 or 24/25. No option for this license after the 24/25 school year.