The Alabama Board of Physical Therapy requires that applicants sit for and pass the appropriate National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) as a prerequisite for licensure. The Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) is the organization responsible for administering and developing the exam.

**Registration Process**

Alabama uses the FSBPT website to allow candidates to register online for the NPTE. The website you need to access for registering is [www.fsbpt.org](http://www.fsbpt.org). Once you have registered online you can check the status of your registration online as well as the progress of your registration. To check the status of your exam registration, you may access your profile on your Customer Dashboard on [www.fsbpt.org](http://www.fsbpt.org).

**Eligibility to Sit for the NPTE**

To sit for the NPTE exam, you must register yourself at FSBPT and have your school’s faculty validate your date of graduation. Once fee is paid, FSBPT will send you an Authorization to Test (ATT) letter via email following your approval. This letter is your authorization to sit for the exam and includes instructions for scheduling your testing appointment. It is very important that as you register for the exam, you select Alabama as the jurisdiction to have your score sent. Failure to select Alabama may result in delays in finishing the licensing process.

**Scheduling Questions**

Please do not call the Alabama Board about scheduling your exam. The FSBPT will contact you with information when you have been approved. The Authorization to Test letters you will receive contains important information about scheduling and should be read carefully. If you have additional questions regarding scheduling, please call the FSBPT Exam Services Department at 703-739-9420, ext. 201.

**Exam Results**

Once the Alabama Board of Physical Therapy receives your passing score for the examination and a completed application (including your official school transcript) is on file with our office, you will be issued a license. If you fail, your application with the Board remains active until you have exhausted all attempts on the exams.

**Alabama Jurisprudence**

The Alabama Jurisprudence exam is no longer required for licensure. However, you will be required to complete a two-hour Alabama Jurisprudence continuing education course which will need to be submitted with your first renewal. Thereafter, a two-hour Alabama Jurisprudence continuing education course will be required in years that end in “0” (zero) and “5” (five), i.e. 2025, 2030, 2035, as part of your normal continuing education requirements.