Teacher

Teachers instruct pupils in public, charter, or private schools at the elementary, middle, intermediate, junior high, or secondary level. At the elementary level, teach basic academic, social, and other formative skills. At other levels, teachers instruct students in one or more subjects, such as English, Mathematics, Science or Social Studies, including teachers of Career and Technical Education. Some teachers instruct adults or out-of-school youth in basic education, high school equivalency, or English as a second language.

Legislation
Statute: NH RSA 186
Administrative Rules: Chapter Ed 500

Certification Requirements
- Qualify through one of the available Alternative Pathways for licensure described on NH Department of Education website.

There are multiple levels of credentials, each with varying requirements:

- Intern Authorization
  - Have met the requirements for a Statement of Eligibility
  - Currently be employed in the field of education in a New Hampshire public or non-public school
  - Intern authorizations are granted for the duration of the individualized professional development plan or the site-based certification plan
  - Educators who hold a valid intern authorization receive a beginning educator license after the Bureau approves the required report of completion under the individualized professional development plan

- Beginning Educator License
  - Beginning educator licenses are issued for an initial period of three years
  - Upon completion of three years of full-time educator experience while maintaining a valid credential, a beginning educator is qualified for an experienced educator license only if the educator is determined to be “effective” or better under the local supervision and evaluation system for at least two consecutive years.

- Experienced Educator License
  - Upon completion of three years of full-time educator experience while maintaining a valid credential, a beginning educator is qualified for an experienced educator license only if the educator is determined to be “effective” or better under the local supervision and evaluation system for at least two consecutive years.
  - An experienced educator credential shall be issued for three years

Examination
Applicants may be required to take the Praxis test or Pearson test and pass with the minimum qualifying score for New Hampshire. For more information please go to <ets.org/praxis/nh/>, <nh.nesinc.com/Home.aspx> and <education.nh.gov/certification/documents/edtestinginfo.pdf>.

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Continuing Education
Staff development activities totaling 45 Professional Education continuing education units and 30 continuing education units per endorsement during the three-year licensure period.

Reciprocity
Permitted in accordance with the NASDTEC Interstate Contract

Active Licenses
Not provided

Related Training
Teacher Education and Professional Development, Specific Levels and Methods; Teacher Education and Professional Development, Specific Subject Areas; Special Education and Teaching; Teaching English as a Second or Foreign Language

Fees
Three-year licensure . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $130.00
Three-year renewal. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $130.00

Additional fees vary by pathway for licensure and number of endorsements applied for. Go to <www.education.nh.gov/certification/documents/fee_sched.pdf>
Exam fees are set by each testing company.

O*Net Codes
25-2012.00 Kindergarten Teachers, Except Special Education;
25-2021.00 Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education;
25-2022.00 Middle School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education;
25-2023.00 Career/Technical Education Teachers, Middle Schools;
25-2031.00 Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical Education;
25-2032.00 Career/Technical Education Teachers, Secondary Schools;
25-3011.00 Adult Basic and Secondary Education and Literacy Teachers and Instructors

Additional Information Sources
National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC)
<www.nasdtec.org>