

Act 66 of 2024: Barber-Teacher Reform Law

The Barber-Teacher Reform law, Act 66 of 2024, includes several changes to make the path to Barber Teacher licensure easier and these changes will be implemented on PALS effective September 27, 2024:

- Act 66 reduces the minimum age requirement to eighteen (18) years old and the number of Barber-Teacher training hours to 500 hours of training on teaching methods only. Please note, the experience requirement has not changed. If an applicant chooses to apply for the Barber-Teacher's examination based on their experience, they must have a minimum of five (5) years of licensed work experience.
- Additionally, if an applicant holds active Pennsylvania Cosmetology and Barber's Licenses, they can now obtain a Barber-Teacher license by completing the training and examination for *either* a Cosmetology Teacher or a Barber-Teacher.
- If applicant is applying for licensure as a Barber-Teacher and are currently licensed as a Barber-Teacher in a reciprocal state, they are eligible for licensure through reciprocity.