2004 Mortgage Broker Regulation Matrix

Notes on individual states follow the table

	REG	EXEMPTIONS	LIC-EDU	LIC-EXP	LIC-EXAM	LIC-CONT-EDU	NET WORTH	BOND	MAN-LIC	MAN-EDU	MAN-EXP	MAN-EXAM	MAN-CONT-EDU	BRANCH-BOND	BRANCH-INSTATE	BRANCH-MAN-LIC	BRANCH-MAN-EDU	BRANCH-MAN-EXP	BRANCH-MAN-EXAM	BRANCH-MAN-CONT- EDU	EMP-REG	EMP-EXP	EMP-EDU	EMP-EXAM	EMP-CONT-EDU	2004 CODE
Alabama	1	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Alaska	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Arkansas	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8
California	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	10
Colorado	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Connecticut	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	11
DC	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Delaware	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Florida	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	16
Georgia	1	0	1		0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Hawaii	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8
Idaho	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Illinois	1	0	2	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	10
Indiana	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	8
Iowa	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Kansas	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	6
Kentucky	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	8
Louisiana	1	0	0	0	0	0	2		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	7
Maine	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Maryland	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	6
Massachusetts	1	0	2		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Michigan	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Minnesota	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mississippi	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	8
Missouri	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4

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Montana	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	14
Nebraska	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Nevada	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	1		0	1	0	1	0	1		0	1	1	0	0	0	1	12
New Hampshire	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
New Jersey	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	13
New Mexico	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
New York	1	0	1		0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
North Carolina	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1		1	1	12
North Dakota	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Ohio	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	12
Oklahoma	1	0	1		1	1	0	0	1	1		0	0	0	1	1	0	1		0	1		1		0	11
Oregon	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	9
Pennsylvania	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	7
Rhode Island	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
South Carolina	1	0	2		0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
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Tennessee	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Texas	1	0	1		1	1	3		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1		1	1	12
Utah	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	8
Vermont	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
Virginia	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Washington	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
West Virginia	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	8
Wisconsin	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	6
Wyoming	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Summary	48	7	6	7	4	9	24	68	11	3	8	6	6	7	18	9	1	6	2	4	24	1	6	9	17	

Notes on Individual States (2004)

Alabama	Any principal engaged in brokering activities is required to complete 12 hours of approved pre-license continuing education.
California	An applicant may substitute two years of education for two years of experience; however, an applicant must also meet pre- licensing education requirements.
D.C.	Bond required ranges anywhere from \$12,500 to \$200,000, depending on the total dollar amount of loans brokered in the previous year.
Florida	Each firm must have a qualified principal broker that meets specific requirements.
Georgia	If the applicant for a mortgage broker license or a renewal of such license does not have a physical place of business in Georgia, a license or renewal may only be issued if the applicant's home state does not require that in order to be licensed a mortgage broker must have a physical place of business in such home state. The applicant or person in charge of the applicant's operations must complete a minimum of 40 course hours of prescribed courses from a department approved provider of mortgage training courses OR complete two years of verifiable experience working full time for a licensed mortgage broker or lender.
Hawaii	Every person licensed as a mortgage broker shall deposit with the commissioner, prior to doing business, a bond in the amount of \$50,000, executed by the mortgage broker as principal and a surety company authorized to do business in the state as a surety; provided that a mortgage broker who does not engage in mortgage servicing or collecting may apply to the commissioner for a lower bond requirement of \$15,000 on the application form prescribed by the commissioner.
Idaho	Each applicant must have a "Qualified Person in Charge" that meets the experience requirement. (This person does not have to be an owner, officer, member, partner or director.) Each person in charge of an office must meet experience requirements, as well.
Illinois	The applicant must file proof satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant, the members thereof if the applicant is a partnership or association, the members or managers thereof that retain any authority or responsibility under the operating agreement if the applicant is a limited liability company, or the officers thereof if the applicant is a corporation have three years' experience preceding application in real estate finance. Instead of this requirement, the applicant and the applicant's officers or members, as applicable, may satisfactorily complete a program of education in real estate finance and fair lending, as approved by the commissioner, prior to receiving the initial license. In lieu of maintaining an office in Illinois, a licensee may obtain a bond in the amount of \$100,000 and maintain a net worth of \$100,000.
Indiana	Each licensed loan broker is required to have at least one licensed loan originator. Therefore, a sole proprietor may obtain a "firm" license and if the sole proprietor wishes to engage in loan origination activities, he must also obtain a loan originator license.
Kansas	An applicant or registrant with a bona fide office must maintain a bond for \$50,000. An applicant or registrant without a bona fide office must maintain both a \$100,000 bond and a net worth of \$50,000. Although there are no education or experience requirements at the firm level, anyone conducting mortgage broker activities for a firm must be registered and meet requirements for continuing education.

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	that the commissioner deems equivalent to the course.
Oklahoma	Applicant for a loan originator license must either have 18 months' experience or pass an examination. Managing principal does not have to be licensed if she/he is an officer, partner, member, or sole proprietor. Also, managing principals must meet the same requirements as a licensed mortgage broker (education or experience, and examination). Branch managers must also be designated, but it is not clear whether the manager must meet the experience requirements of a mortgage broker or of a mortgage originator.
Pennsylvania	Although a \$100,000 penal bond is required, mortgage brokers who can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the department that they do not accept advance fees are exempt from the requirement.
South Carolina	An applicant must maintain a \$10,000 bond or \$10,000 in cash/securities. An applicant must have at least two years' experience working as an originator under the supervision of a mortgage loan broker before his initial license is issued OR have the equivalent of six or more semester hours of satisfactorily completed course work in real estate finance, real estate law, or the like counting toward the successful completion of a degree that is baccalaureate level or more advanced with a major or minor in finance, accounting, business administration, real estate finance economics, or similar baccalaureate or more advanced degree approved by the administrator or the administrator's designee from an accredited college or university.
South Dakota	Prior to 1997, South Dakota licensed mortgage brokers as real estate brokers. As real estate brokers, licensees were subject to much stricter regulations.
Tennessee	An applicant must maintain a net worth of \$25,000 for each office in Tennessee.
Washington	Either the applicant or one of its principals, who may be designated by the applicant, must have at least two years of experience in the residential mortgage loan industry or have completed the educational requirements established by rule of the director. A licensee must maintain a bond between \$20,000 and \$60,000 depending upon the average number of loan originators per month that were employed by the licensee during the 12 months before submitting an application for licensure.
West Virginia	Each licensee must obtain a bond in the amount \$50,000 from the banking commissioner or \$100,000 if the broker participates in table-funded residential mortgage loans. AND IF the broker accepts money from prospective borrowers prior to closing, a \$15,000 bond from the secretary of state must be obtained.
Wisconsin	May be overstated; a licensee with a bona fide office may either maintain a bond in the amount of \$10,000 or may maintain a net worth of \$100,000. However, a licensee with no bona fide office must maintain a net worth of \$250,000 and a bond in the amount of \$120,000.