Which type of application should I use?

If you have never had a license:

If you have never held a license to practice as a barber, cosmetologist, esthetician, hairstylist or manicurist, you must apply for a license by examination.

Exam applicants must apply and schedule their examinations with Pearson VUE. You may access the Candidate Handbook and reservation information online via **Pearson VUE** or call (800) 274-4132 for further information.

If you used to have a Colorado license but it is expired:

I you have ever held a Colorado license to practice as a barber, cosmetologist, esthetician, hairstylist or manicurist, you must apply for a license by reinstatement.

If you are currently licensed in another state:

If you currently hold an active license in good standing to practice as a barber, cosmetologist, esthetician, hairstylist or manicurist in another state or territory, you may apply for licensure by endorsement. You will need to:

- Complete the Application for License by Endorsement.
- Submit the application fee.
- Request that verification of licensure be sent directly to our office from all states in which you have ever been licensed to practice.
    - California Licensees: Please be advised that verification of licensure from California may take up to three (3) months to process. Please allow sufficient time for verification requests. Your application cannot be processed without official verification.

Once we receive all of the above information, your application will be reviewed. We will immediately notify you when the review is complete.

If you meet the requirements for endorsement, you will be issued a license to practice in Colorado.

If you do not meet the requirements, you will be required to take all or part of the Colorado written and practical examinations.

If you are licensed in another country:

If you currently hold an active license in good standing to practice as a barber, cosmetologist, esthetician, hairstylist or manicurist in another country, you may apply for licensure by endorsement. You will need to:

- Complete the Application for License by Endorsement: Foreign-Trained Applicant.
- Submit the application fee.
- Request that verification of licensure be sent directly to our office from all jurisdictions in which you have been licensed to practice.
- Have your training and experience reviewed by an approved credentialing agency to determine whether you meet the requirements for Colorado licensure, and have a final report sent directly to our office.

Once we receive all of the above information, your application will be reviewed. We will immediately notify you when the review is complete.

If you meet the requirements for endorsement, you will be issued a license to practice in Colorado.

If you do not meet the requirements, you will be required to take all or part of the Colorado written and practical examinations.