

Ordination and Reception into Presbytery (Procedure Manual & Chapter 13: B.G. condensed)

5 pathways into the EPC Pastorate

W/in Presbytery

Approved by Min. Committee
Terms of Call/Inst. Commission

Another EPC Presbyt.

Approved by M. C.
Physical Examination
Files sent to Stated Clerk
Dismissal - prior Presbyt.
Psych.Tests & Background
Check
Ministerial Oblig. Form
Testimony & God's Call
Oral exam of views
T.O.C./Inst. Commission

Reformed Transfer

Approved by M.C.
No pending discipline
Physical Examination
Education Credentials
Ordination credentials
Files to Stated Clerk
Dismissal - prior Presbyt
Psych Tests & Background
Check
Ministerial Oblig. Form
PIF & signed Sexual policy
2Testimony & God's Call
Oral Exam views
TOC/Installation Commission

Non- Reform Transfer

Approved by M. C.
No pending discipline
Physical Examination
Education & ordin. credentials
Files to Stated Clerk
Dismissal - prior denom.
Psych.Tests & Background
Check
Ministerial Oblig. Form
PIF & signed Sexual policy
Testimony & God's Call
Written & oral knowledge exams
Preach to Presbytery
TOC/Installation Commission

Candidate/Seminary Graduate

Approved by M. C.
Physical Examination
Seminary Transcripts
Psychological Tests
Statement of Faith
Psych.tests & Background Check
Ministerial Oblig. Form
PIF & signed Sexual policy
Testimony & God's Call
Written & oral knowledge exams
Preach to Presbytery
TOC/Installation Commission

** 11.4 A minister (every individual entering Presbytery as a teaching elder) must be called by some specific agency to a particular task deemed appropriate to the ordaining, installing or approving of Presbytery*

Ministerial Committee Examination of a Candidate

If candidate is not a current member of Coastal Mid-Atlantic Presbytery, MC will examine (views or knowledge) at an MC meeting held before Presbytery.

Exam areas

Theology & Sacraments

Theol. & Sacraments of Ref. Church
Westminster Confession

History & character of Calvinism
Reformed History (people, events)

English Bible –

People, books, passages & themes of the Bible

Reformed Tradition

5 points of Calvinism
History of American Presbyterian

Office/Nature of Minister–

Session moderating
Practical ministry situations

Book of Order –

Content of the Book of Gov., Worship & Disc.

**** Our aim as examiners is to demonstrate that the candidate is knowledgeable and adequately equipped to assume the role of Pastor. ****