## §257. High school equivalency diplomas

- **1. Issuance of diploma.** The commissioner shall issue a high school equivalency diploma to a person who:
  - A. Is at least 17 years of age and:
    - (2) Has demonstrated, through procedures prescribed by the commissioner, attainment of a general educational development comparable to that of a secondary school graduate. [PL 2017, c. 381, §1 (AMD).]
  - B. [PL 2017, c. 381, §2 (RP).]
  - C. [PL 1991, c. 662, §1 (RP).]
  - D. [PL 1991, c. 662, §1 (RP).]
  - E. [PL 1991, c. 662, §1 (RP).]

The commissioner shall issue a diploma authorized by this subsection upon compliance with the requirements of this subsection or as soon thereafter as possible.

[PL 2017, c. 381, §§1, 2 (AMD).]

**2. Equivalency diploma status.** High school equivalency diplomas have the legal status of high school diplomas.

[PL 1991, c. 662, §1 (RPR).]

**3. Fees.** A fee may not be charged for the issuance of any high school equivalency diploma to residents of the State.

[PL 1991, c. 662, §1 (RPR).]

4. Department of Education diploma.

[PL 2013, c. 439, §1 (RP).]

SECTION HISTORY

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