

ABT CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION CHANGES- TRANSITION

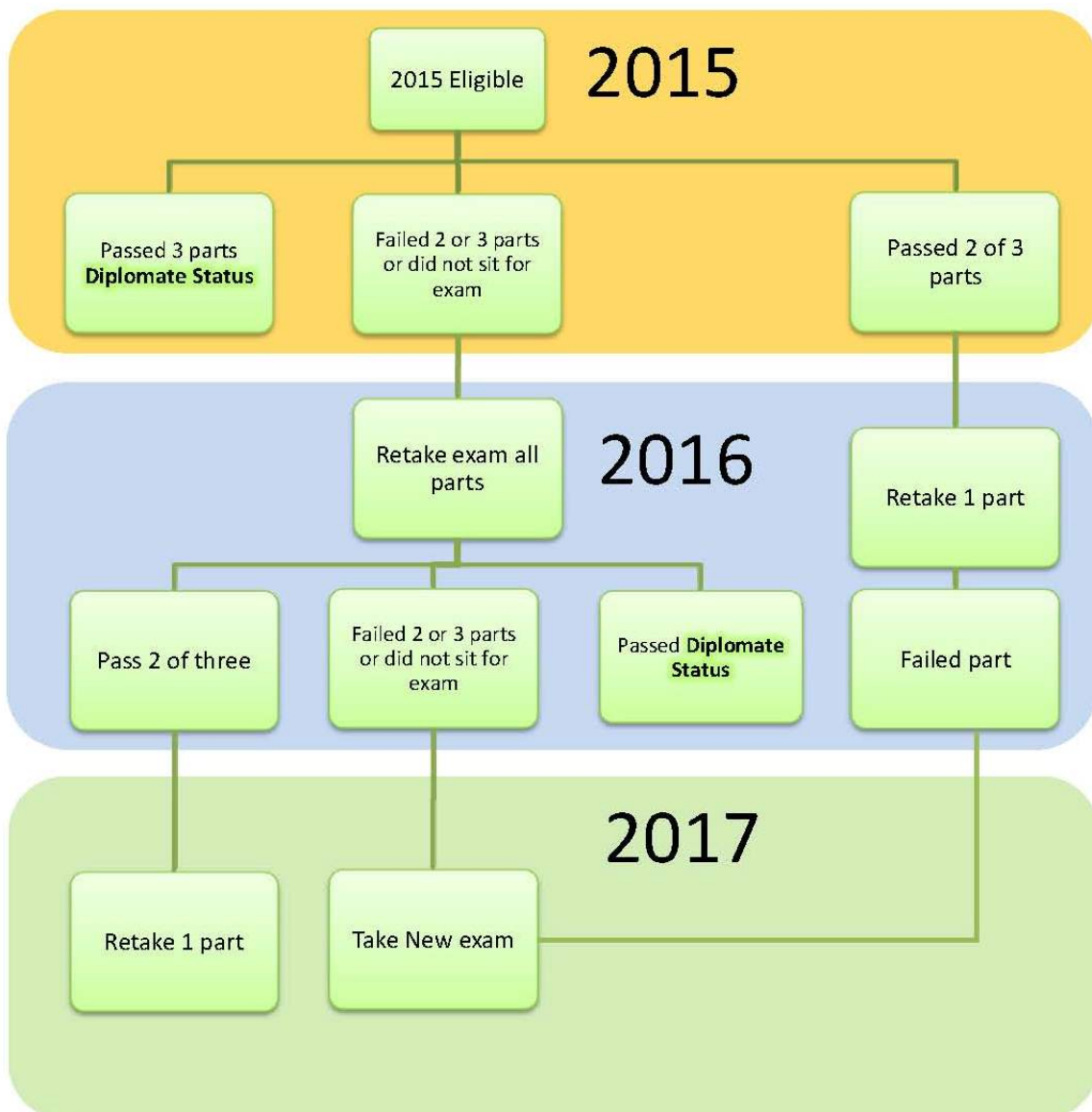
In 2017, the ABT exam will be changing from a two-day, three part exam to a one day exam consisting of 200 questions. While the exam will be graded as a whole, there will be two, three-hour sessions to allow for a break. The new exam format will be based on domains and tasks from the Job Analysis completed in 2016. In addition, questions will have only four answer choices, rather than the five choices historically on the exam.

More information can be found on the ABT website and in the Candidate Handbook, also available on the website.

All candidates applying in 2017 will take the exam in its new format. In order to become certified, candidates will need to pass the entire exam in one year. The exam will no longer consist of three, separately graded parts. Candidates will still be eligible for three years.

For those candidates who retain eligibility from 2015, what happens in 2017 depends on the individual's situation.

Generally, if a candidate needs to retake one part after having passed two in a prior year of eligibility, they will be able to take that part in 2017. Otherwise, you will take the new exam. The flow chart below can help determine individual situations.



For those candidates who applied in 2016 and passed two of three parts, the **only** year they are able to retake the one part is 2017. **If a candidate does not sit for the one part on 2017, they will have to take the entire new format of the exam in 2018.** Please use the flow chart below to determine individual situations.

