

Checklist for Examination of an Ordained Minister from a non-Reformed Tradition

Name: _____

- 1. Minister's ordination recognized, credentials of education evaluated, and ordination presented and approved (*Acts of Assembly 02-07*).
- 2. Minister successfully completed all written examinations (**G.12-2C**).
- 3. Minister successfully completed oral examinations on (**G.12-2C**):
 - Theology and Sacraments.
 - English Bible.
 - Book of Order*.
 - Reformed Tradition.
 - Nature of the Office of Teaching Elder.
- 4. Minister related his/her experience of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ and progress in spiritual growth (**G.12-2B**).
- 5. No discipline, inquiry, or charges pending from another denomination.
 - Pending charges: Presbytery reviewed case and declared by three-fourths vote that pending charges are insufficient for refusal of membership (**G.12-3C**).
 - Ordination credentials lacking for reasons other than disciplinary action (**G.12-5**).
- 6. Minister has provided a written statement of any exceptions to the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms (**G.12-4**).
- 7. Minister's exceptions have been (**G.12-4**): Allowed Disallowed
Explanatory notes if disallowed:
- 8. Presbytery moved to enroll minister pending approval of call (**G.10-8C.1**).
- 9. Ministerial Obligation Form signed and on file (**G.19-4B.4**).

Sample text for minutes (this section is not fillable):

_____ (name), an ordained minister of _____ (denomination) presented the credentials of education required by those seeking ordination in the EPC (**G.12-3B.1**). Having sustained oral examination before the Ministerial Committee, _____ was presented to the Presbytery for examination. The Presbytery examined _____ in the areas required by *Book of Government 12-2*. On motion, the examination was arrested and _____ was excused. [*Minutes should reflect if each area of examination is arrested separately.*]

On motion, _____'s examination was/was not sustained [*add explanatory notes if not sustained*].

On motion, the minister's exception(s) to the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechism were allowed/disallowed [*add explanatory notes as needed if disallowed*].

The Presbytery sustained a motion to receive _____ as a member of the Presbytery of _____ pending an approved call.

_____ signed the Ministerial Obligation Form, which is on file in the Clerk's office.