

NSPE Position Statement No. 09-1785—Discipline Specific Licensure

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Position Statement: It is the position of the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) that Licensure as a professional engineer must be the only legal designation required for the practice of engineering. Continued recognition of professional engineering licensure as the defining qualification for professional practice is crucial to the public's understanding of the profession and ensuring the trust and protection of the public.

Background:

NSPE believes that fragmenting the professional engineering license into discipline-specific title or practice acts weakens rather than strengthens the integrity of the license.