

4101:16-2-13. Military provisions related to licensure. NEW

(A) Eligibility for licensure

(1) In accordance with section 5903.03 of the Revised Code, there are no military programs of training, military primary specialties, and lengths of service that are substantially equivalent to or exceed the educational and experience requirements for licensure.

(2) A veteran's relevant military experience, education and training will be considered when determining whether the veteran has met all or part of the requirements for licensure. A veteran should provide all relevant military documentation demonstrating his or her military experience, education and training to assist the department in its determination.

(B) License renewal

(1) In accordance with section 5903.10 of the Revised Code, a veteran, whose license expired due to the veteran's military service, shall be eligible for renewal of the expired license if the following conditions are met:

(a) the veteran presents the department with satisfactory evidence that, not more than six months prior to the date the evidence is submitted to the department, the veteran was honorably discharged or separated from the military under honorable conditions;

(b) the veteran is not disqualified because of a mental or physical disability which would preclude the veteran from meeting the license requirements; and

(c) the veteran meets the requirements for license renewal.

(2) In accordance with section 5903.10 of the Revised Code, a veteran's spouse whose license expired due to the veteran's military service shall be eligible for renewal of the expired license if the following conditions are met:

(a) the veteran's spouse presents the department with satisfactory evidence that, not more than six months prior to the date the evidence is submitted to the department, the veteran was honorably discharged or separated from the military under honorable conditions and as a result of the veteran's military duty the veteran's spouse was absent from this state; and

(b) the veteran's spouse meets the requirements for license renewal.

(3) A veteran or veteran's spouse who meets the conditions in (C) (1) or (2) shall not be assessed a penalty for submitting a late renewal application and shall not be required to take a re-examination unless all licensees for renewal are required to successfully complete an examination prior to being renewed.

(C) Continuing education

(1) A veteran may request an extension of the current continuing education reporting requirement if the following conditions are met:

(a) the veteran served on active duty inside or outside the United States for a period in excess of thirty-one days during the current or prior continuing education reporting period; and

(b) The veteran submitted an application and proper documentation certifying the active duty service and the length of the active duty service.

(2) Upon receiving the completed application and proper documentation, the department shall extend the current continuing education reporting period by an amount of time equal to the total number of months that the veteran spent on active duty during the current continuing education reporting period. Any portion of a month served shall be considered one full month.

(3) The department shall consider relevant education, training or service completed by the veteran while on active duty in determining whether the veteran has fulfilled required continuing education.