

21 NCAC 69 .0307 EXEMPTIONS

A licensee shall be granted leniency from the continuing professional development educational requirements for one of the following reasons:

- (1) A licensee serving on temporary active duty in the armed forces of the United States for a period of time exceeding 120 consecutive days in a year shall be granted a grace period (equivalent to time served) for obtaining the continuing professional education hours required for that renewal period.
- (2) Licensees experiencing physical disability (as defined in G.S. 168A), illness, or other circumstances beyond the control of the licensee as reviewed and approved by the Board may be granted leniency in the time for acquiring continuing educational credits. Supporting documentation shall be furnished to the Board.
- (3) Licensees who list their occupation as "Inactive" on the renewal form and who further certify that they are no longer receiving any remuneration from providing professional soil services shall be exempt from the continuing professional education hours required. In the event such a person elects to return to active soil science practice, professional development hours shall be earned in accordance with the requirements of Rule .0308 in this Section before returning to active practice.

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