

21 NCAC 25 .0205 RENEWAL OF A PROVISIONAL LICENSE

(a) An application for the renewal of a provisional license is not timely filed unless it is received by the Board on or before the expiration date of the license being renewed.

(b) If a licensee does not timely file an application for the renewal of a provisional license, the licensee shall not practice or offer to practice as an interpreter or transliterator for a fee or other consideration, represent himself or herself as a licensed interpreter or transliterator, use the title "Licensed Interpreter for the Deaf," "Licensed Transliterator for the Deaf," or use any other title or abbreviation to indicate that the person is a licensed interpreter or transliterator until he or she receives either a renewed provisional license, as described in Paragraph (c) of this Rule, or an initial full license as described in 21 NCAC 25 .0204.

(c) An application to renew an expired provisional license shall be approved by the Board if it is received by the Board within one year after the provisional license expired and if the application demonstrates that the applicant continues to qualify for a provisional license, by meeting the requirements of G.S. 90D-8. A provisional license shall not be renewed after it has expired a second time.

(d) If the provisional license being renewed has been suspended by the Board, any renewed provisional license issued to the applicant shall also be suspended until the term of the suspension has expired.

(e) The Board shall renew a provisional license no more than three times upon receipt of timely applications that demonstrate that the applicant continues to qualify for a provisional license. The Board may extend a provisional license on an annual basis after the third renewal if the applicant timely files an application prior to the expiration of the third renewal, and on an annual basis thereafter if further extension is sought by the applicant that demonstrates that the applicant's progress toward full licensure was delayed by:

- (1) a life-altering event, such as the birth or adoption of a child to the applicant or the applicant's spouse or an acute or chronic illness suffered by either the applicant or a member of the applicant's immediate family;
- (2) active military service;
- (3) a catastrophic natural event, such as a pandemic, flood, hurricane, or tornado; or
- (4) the certifying organizations identified in G.S. 90D-7 having imposed a moratorium on testing or certification that has prevented the applicant from sitting for the qualifying examination and obtaining the results thereof prior to the expiration of the provisional license or any annual extension.

(f) The Board shall not for any reason renew or extend a provisional license for a fifth time, with the exception of servicemembers who qualify for an extension under Paragraph (h) of this Rule.

(g) The Board shall not issue an initial provisional license to anyone who has previously held a provisional license.

(h) The Board shall extend the deadline for filing a license renewal application for any individual who currently holds a provisional license and is in good standing with the Board if the individual is serving in the armed forces of the United States and if G.S. 105-249.2 grants the individual an extension of time to file a tax return. The extension shall be in effect for any period that is disregarded under Section 7508 of the Internal Revenue Code in determining the taxpayer's liability for a federal tax.

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