

21 NCAC 46 .1613**EXTENSION PERIOD FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES****(a) Definitions:**

- (1) "Eligible licensee" means a pharmacist who holds a license in good standing from the Board of Pharmacy, who serves the armed forces of the United States, and who is eligible for an extension of time in which to file a tax return pursuant to G.S. 105-249.2. "Eligible licensee" includes a pharmacist who holds a Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner credential or who is an immunizing pharmacist.
- (2) "Eligible registrant" means a pharmacy intern, pharmacy technician, dispensing physician, dispensing optometrist, dispensing nurse practitioner or dispensing physician assistant who holds a registration in good standing from the Board of Pharmacy, who serves the armed forces of the United States, and who is eligible for an extension of time in which to file a tax return pursuant to G.S. 105-249.2.
- (3) "Extension period" means the time period specified in 26 U.S.C. 7508.
- (4) "Good standing" means a license or registration that is not suspended, revoked, or subject to a current disciplinary order.

(b) Extension of time to pay license or registration renewal fees and waiver of continuing education requirements:

- (1) An eligible licensee or registrant shall notify the Board of eligibility for the extension period before his or her current license or registration expires. Upon such notification, the Board shall maintain the license or registration in active status through the extension period.
- (2) If an eligible licensee or registrant fails to notify the Board of eligibility for the extension period before his or her current license or registration expires, upon receipt and acceptance of a renewal application within the extension period and presentation of proof that the licensee or registrant was an eligible licensee or registrant on the date that is the deadline for renewal, the expired license or registration shall be deemed retroactively to have not expired.
- (3) Notwithstanding 21 NCAC 46 .1612(a) and .3301(a), an eligible licensee or registrant who submits a renewal application and pays the renewal fee required by the Board within the extension period shall not be deemed to hold a lapsed license or registration subject to reinstatement fees.
- (4) Notwithstanding 21 NCAC 46 .2201, .3101(d) and .2507(c)(8), an eligible licensee may renew his or her license within the extension period despite failing to complete the specified continuing education requirements.
- (5) A licensee or registrant shall provide proof of eligibility for the extension period when the licensee or registrant submits the renewal application.

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