



ALASKA STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

POSITION STATEMENT: Request for Exam Extensions

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Status: Approved

Organized by: The Alaska State Board of Social Work Examiners

Adopted by: The Alaska State Board of Social Work Examiners

PURPOSE:

The Board of Social Work Examiners holds to the following position regarding Request for Exam Extensions

SUPPORTIVE DISCUSSION AND MATERIALS:

The Board reviewed the regulation pertaining to the examination, 12 AAC 18.100(c).

12 AAC 18.100 APPLICATION FOR LICENSE BY EXAMINATION.

(c) Once an application is approved by the board, the applicant must sit for the examination within one year from the date of board approval. For good cause shown, the board will, in its discretion, grant a written request from an applicant for an extension of time to sit for the examination.

SUMMARY:

The Board of Social Work Examiners determined that an applicant for licensure by examination may apply for an exam extension under the following conditions:

1. The request for exam extension must be submitted and approved by the board prior to the current exam approval period expiration date (i.e. if the current approval expires 9/21/2021, the request for exam extension must be reviewed and approved by the board before 9/21/2021).
2. The request must include an explanation as to why the extension is required.
3. The duration of the request for exam extension may not exceed one (1) year. If an exam approval expires 9/21/2021, the maximum extension can only be granted through 9/21/2022.
4. Only one extension, for up to one year will be granted. Applicants not completing the examination during the one year extension period will have to reapply for an application for license by examination.