Chapter 79. Board of Massage Therapists.

12 AAC 79 is amended by adding a new section to read:

12 AAC 79.115. Temporary military courtesy license. (a) The board will issue a temporary military courtesy license or certification to an active duty military member or spouse of an active duty military member of the armed forces of the United States to practice massage therapy to an applicant who meets the requirements of AS 08.01.063 and this section not later than 30 days after the board receives a completed application.

(b) An applicant for a temporary military courtesy license or certification under this section

(1) must submit a completed application on a form provided by the department;

(2) must submit the fingerprint information described in 12 AAC 79.130;

(3) must submit a copy of

(A) the applicant’s current active duty military orders showing assignment to a duty station in this state; or

(B) if the applicant is the spouse of an active duty military member, the applicant’s spouse's current active duty military orders showing assignment to a duty station in this state;

(4) must submit documentation showing the applicant is currently licensed or certified and in good standing in another licensing or certifying jurisdiction where licensing or certification requirements are substantially equal to or greater than the requirements of this state, and the applicant's license or certification in the other jurisdiction is not suspended, revoked, or otherwise restricted except for failure to apply for renewal or failure to obtain the required continuing education requirements;
(5) may not have been convicted of a crime that affects the applicant's ability to practice massage therapy competently and safely, as determined by the board; and

(6) must pay

(A) the temporary license application fee and fee for a temporary license set out under 12 AAC 02.105; and

(B) the fingerprint processing fee specified in 12 AAC 02.396.

(c) A temporary military courtesy license or certification issued to an active duty military member or spouse of an active duty military member under this section will be issued for a period of 180 days and may be renewed for one additional 180-day period, at the discretion of the board.

(d) While practicing under a temporary military courtesy license or certification issued under this section, the holder of the temporary military courtesy license or certification must comply with the standards of practice set out in AS 08.61 and this chapter.

(e) The board may refuse to issue a temporary military courtesy license or certification for the same reasons that it may deny, suspend, or revoke a license under AS 08.01.075 and AS 08.61.060. (Eff. ____/____/______, Register ______)

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