

Chapter 62. Board of Professional Counselors.

12 AAC 62 is amended by adding a new section to read:

12 AAC 62.135. Temporary military courtesy license to practice as a professional counselor. (a) The board shall issue a temporary military courtesy license to an active duty military member or spouse of an active duty military member of the armed forces of the United States to practice as a professional counselor who meets the requirements of AS 08.01.063 and this section within 30 days after the board receives a completed application.

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

- (1) submit a completed application on a form provided by the department;
- (2) pay the temporary license application and license fees set out under

12 AAC 02.105;

(3) submit a copy of the applicant's military identification or military dependent identification card and a copy of current active duty military orders showing assignment to a duty station in this state;

(4) submit documentation showing the applicant is currently licensed in another licensing jurisdiction and the applicant's license 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; and

(5) not have been convicted of a felony or another crime that affects the applicant's ability to practice professional counseling competently and safely.

(c) A temporary military courtesy license 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 issued under this section, the holder of the temporary military courtesy license must comply with the standards of practice set out in AS 08.29 and this chapter.

(e) The board may refuse to issue a temporary military courtesy license for the same reasons that it may deny, suspend, or revoke a license under AS 08.01.075 and AS 08.29.400.

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