

WAC 308-09-010 Definitions. (1) "Director" means the director of the department of licensing or designee.

(2) "Employment" means self-employment and employment by any other entity.

(3) "Good standing" means the condition of a valid license authorizing a person to engage in a regulated profession or occupation. A license in good standing is not subject to any disciplinary sanctions, terms, conditions, or restrictions by the licensing authority of this state, or the jurisdiction where the licensee is licensed to practice.

(4) "License" means permission to engage in a profession or occupation as defined by chapter 18.235 or 46.70 RCW.

(5) "Licensee" means a person who possesses a license to engage in a regulated profession or occupation.

(6) "Licensing authority" means:

(a) The director of the department of licensing or designee with respect to those occupations or professions identified in chapter 46.70 RCW and RCW 18.235.020 (2) (a); or

(b) A board having licensing authority over those occupations or professions identified in RCW 18.235.020 (2) (b) if the appropriate licensing authority has adopted these rules.

(7) "Military coordinator" means a person who is identified as a contact within the licensing authority to assist military members and military spouse applicants and licensees.

(8) "Military service member" means a person serving in the military.

(9) "Military service" or "serving in the military" means being enlisted or commissioned in the United States Armed Forces (active or reserve components), the United States health service commissioned corps, the United States National Guard, or the Merchant Marines of the United States or a veteran of these branches.

(10) "Military spouse" means any person currently or previously married to or in a registered domestic partnership with a military service member during the military service member's period of active, reserve, or National Guard service.

(11) "Regulated profession or occupation" means a profession or occupation identified in chapter 46.70 RCW or RCW 18.235.020 (2) (a) or (b) if the appropriate board or commission has adopted these rules.

(12) "Standard license" means a license of standard duration and renewal requirements, as established by that program's governing statute.

(13) "Status" means the condition of a license, wherein:

(a) An "active license" status means the licensee is authorized to engage in a regulated profession or occupation;

(b) An "inactive license" status means the licensee has qualified for the license but is not currently authorized to engage in a regulated profession or occupation for nondisciplinary reasons, for example because the licensee has left Washington state as a result of their spouse or partner being deployed or stationed to a location outside of Washington state;

(c) A licensee may place their license in "military status" if they are serving in the military. A license in military status is an active license.

(14) "Substantially equivalent" means the requirements to qualify for the same or similar license in another state are materially similar to Washington requirements in terms of quality, quantity of training, or experience.

(15) "Temporary license" is a license that authorizes the licensee to engage in a regulated profession or occupation for a defined period of time during which the licensee completes additional requirements for Washington licensure that are not related to training or practice standards of the profession as noted in RCW 18.340.020 (2)(c).

(16) "Training or practice standards" means education, experience, Washington specific examination, or a combination thereof, directly relating to the state's interest in regulating a specific profession or occupation to protect the public health, safety, or welfare.

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