

## Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4703-2-08 Military provisions related to licensure. Effective: April 15, 2022

(A) Definitions.

(1) "Armed forces" means the armed forces of the United States, including the army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, or any reserve components of those forces; the national guard of any state; the commissioned corps of the United States public health service; the merchant marine service during wartime; such other service as may be designated by congress; or the Ohio organized militia when engaged in full-time national guard duty for a period of more than thirty days.

(2) "Member" means any person who is serving in the armed forces.

(3) "Licensee" means a person to whom all of the following apply:

(a) The person has been issued a license by the board.

(b) The person has been a member of the armed forces.

(c) The person has served on active duty, whether inside or outside the United States, for a period in excess of thirty-one days.

(B) In accordance with section 5903.03 of the Revised Code, the following military programs of training and military primary specialties may be substantially equivalent to the experience requirements for licensure as described in rule 4703-2-04 of the Administrative Code:

(1) Military programs of training

- (a) Air force: healthcare architect
- (2) Military primary specialties



(a) Army: 12d facilities/contract construction management engineer (fccme) (o)

(b) Navy: facilities engineering (o); healthcare architect (o)

(c) Air force: 32ex civil engineer (o)

(C) Reporting of experience

The experience of an active military service member or veteran shall be reported under the current guidelines of the Architectural Experience Program as described in rule 4703-2-04 of the Administrative Code.

(D) Lengths of service.

There are no minimal lengths of service that would be substantially equivalent to or exceed the experience requirements for licensure as an architect.

(E) Substantially equivalent education.

There are no military programs of training or military primary specialties which are substantially equivalent to the education requirement for licensure as an architect.

(F) Continuing education.

(1) In accordance with section 5903.12 of the Revised Code, the provisions of this paragraph apply to a licensee who has been a member of the armed forces who has served on active duty for a period in excess of thirty-one days.

(2) A licensee who meets the provisions contained in paragraph (C)(1) of this rule may submit an application to the board requesting an extension of the current continuing education reporting period.

(a) The licensee shall submit proper documentation certifying the active duty service and the length



of that active duty service.

(b) Upon receiving the application and proper documentation, the board shall extend the current continuing education reporting period by an amount of time equal to the total number of months that the licensee spent on active duty during the current continuing education reporting period. Any portion of a month served shall be considered one full month.

(G) Determining fulfillment of continuing education.

(1) In accordance with section 5903.121 of the Revised Code, the board shall consider relevant education, training, or service completed by a licensee as a member of the armed forces of the United States in determining whether a licensee has fulfilled the continuing education required to renew the license or certificate.

(2) In order for the board to consider relevant education, training, or service completed by a licensee, the licensee shall submit a request for consideration and evidence or documentation of the education, training, or service to the board at least thirty days prior to the expiration of the license or certificate.

(H) Renewal of expired license.

(1) In accordance with section 5903.10 of the Revised Code, the holder of an expired license shall be granted a renewal at the usual cost without penalty fee if not otherwise disqualified because of mental or physical disability, in accordance with section 4703.14 of the Revised Code and rules 4703-1-03 and 4703-2-07 of the Administrative Code, if the following conditions are met:

(a) The license was not renewed because of the holder's service in the armed forces.

(b) The license was not renewed because the license holder's spouse served in the armed forces and the service resulted in the holder's absence from this state.

(2) Renewal under paragraph (H)(1) of this rule shall not be granted unless the holder or holder's spouse, whichever is applicable, has presented satisfactory evidence of the service member's discharge under honorable conditions or release under honorable conditions from active duty within



six months after the discharge or release.

(I) Expedited licensure.

Upon receipt of all required documents and fees, a license shall be issued no later than three business days of the applicant's eligibility for licensure, to each applicant who is a member, veteran, spouse or surviving spouse of a member or veteran.