

This is an amendment to 16.28.7 NMAC, Section 10, effective 3/27/2021.

**16.28.7.10 RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS:**

**A.** A license issued pursuant to this section shall not be renewed unless the license holder satisfies the requirements for the issuance and for the renewal of a license pursuant to Chapter 61, Articles 2 through 34 NMSA 1978.

(1) an application for a community signed language interpreter license must also include: a copy of the applicant's current registry of interpreters for the deaf (RID) membership card or verification letter from the registry of interpreters for the deaf RID member portal showing that the applicant holds one or more certifications recognized by the RID at the time of application for licensure with the exception of educational certificate: K-12 (ED: K-12); or

(2) a copy of the applicant's current BEI card showing one of the following certifications:

(a) BEI Advanced.

(b) BEI Master.

(c) BEI IV.

(d) BEI V.

(e) BEI Level IV Intermediary.

(f) BEI Level V Intermediary.

(3) and a copy of the applicant's current RID membership card or verification letter from the RID member portal showing that the applicant is an associate member for purposes of tracking continuing education units (CEU) requirements through the associate continuing education tracking (ACET) program as outlined in Subsection A of 16.28.2.9 NMAC;

~~[(2)]~~ (4) an application for an educational signed language interpreter license must also include: proof of educational interpreters performance assessment (EIPA) rating of 4.0 - 5.0 and a copy of the applicant's current registry of interpreters for the deaf RID membership card or verification letter from the RID member portal showing that the applicant holds the ED: K-12 certified member status by virtue of EIPA rating; or a copy of the applicant's current RID membership card or verification letter from the registry of interpreters for the deaf RID member portal showing that the applicant holds one or more certifications currently recognized by the registry of interpreters for the deaf RID, or has passed the educational interpreter performance assessment (EIPA) with a score of 4.0 - 5.0, has passed the EIPA written test, and is an associate member of RID;

~~[(3)]~~ (5) an application for a provisional signed language interpreter license must also include: proof of completion of an interpreter education program or interpreter preparation program at an accredited institution; or proof of employment as a community signed language interpreter or an educational signed language interpreter at the time the act became effective (June 15, 2007) and after the applicant reached the age of 18; and a copy of the applicant's current registry of interpreters for the deaf RID membership card or verification letter from the registry of interpreters for the deaf RID member portal showing that the applicant is an associate member (for purposes of tracking continuing education units [~~(CEUs)~~] CEU requirements through the associate continuing education tracking (ACET) program as outlined in Subsection B of 16.28.2.9 NMAC. If the applicant provides proof of completion of an interpreter education program or interpreter preparation program more than one year prior to their application for a provisional license, they must also submit a résumé and one professional letter of reference from an employer, internship supervisor, mentorship director, graduate school, or other applicable source documenting continued involvement in interpreting or the deaf community since the time of completion of the program.

**B.** Original and renewed community and educational license shall be valid for a period of two years.

**C.** Original and completed compliance reviewed provisional license shall be valid for a period of one year, not to exceed four consecutive annual compliance review cycles.

**D.** Prior to the expiration of the license, all licensed interpreters shall apply for license renewal and shall pay the renewal fee as set forth in 16.28.6.9 NMAC.

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