

This is an amendment to 16.7.8 NMAC, Section 10 effective 3/10/2026.

16.7.8.10 EXPEDITED LICENSURE APPLICATION:

A. A candidate for expedited licensure under Section 61-1-31.1 NMSA 1978 must submit to the board a complete application containing all of the following:

- (1) a completed and signed application form.
- (2) proof of current licensure in an eligible jurisdiction as defined in these rules.
- (3) certificate of good standing for the license held by the applicant in an eligible jurisdiction; and
- (4) payment of the required application fee.
- (5) upload a recent headshot only, color photograph, front-view of the face to their online portal.

B. An expedited license application shall not be deemed complete until the applicant has submitted, and the board's staff is in receipt of, all of the materials required by Subsection A of 16.7.8.10 NMAC, including documentation from third parties.

C. Upon receipt of a complete application, the board's staff shall process the application and issue the expedited license to a qualified applicant within 30 days.

D. If the applicant has a disqualifying criminal conviction or the board may have other cause to deny the application pursuant to Section 61-12C-24.1 NMSA 1978:

- (1) the matter of the applicant's application shall be submitted to the board for consideration and action at its next available regular meeting;
- (2) the license may not be issued within 30 days of submission of the complete application; and

(3) the board may vote to grant the application or refer the matter to its administrative prosecutor for denial of the application as provided by the board's rules.

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