



## Teacher License Reciprocity

Does the state provide special reciprocity (or other supports) for military spouses?

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Alabama	Yes. Alabama expedites the review of applications and waives the initial license fee for eligible military personnel and spouses. Candidates may be eligible for an emergency license while completing any certification requirements.	<a href="#">Source</a>
Alaska	No.	
Arizona	No.	
Arkansas	Yes. Arkansas prioritizes applications for military spouses and offers automatic licensing to those who hold a substantially equivalent occupational license issued by another state that is in good standing.	Ark. Code Ann. § 17-1-106 <a href="#">Source</a>
California	Yes. California expedites applications and the notification timeline for military spouses.	Cal. Educ. Code § 44343.5
Colorado	Yes. Military spouses may be issued a temporary authorization to teach if they have not met the assessment requirements for an initial license.	Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 22-60.5-111
Connecticut	Yes. Military spouses may be issued a temporary teacher permit if they have two or more years of experience under an appropriate certificate in another state and complete a special education course (or can demonstrate equivalent knowledge).	Conn. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 10-146i <a href="#">Source</a>
Delaware	No.	
District of Columbia	No.	
Florida	No.	
Georgia	Yes. Georgia offers a modified timeline to complete certification requirements for military veterans and their spouses. Candidates may be issued a one-year induction certificate if they have less than three years of experience or a professional certificate if they have at least three years of experience under a professional certificate in another state. Candidates may also receive certification counseling services.	Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. 505-2-.46 <a href="#">Source 1</a> <a href="#">Source 2</a>
Hawaii	Yes. Hawaii may expedite the licensing process for military and military spouses.	<a href="#">Source</a>
Idaho	No.	
Illinois	No.	
Indiana	Yes. Indiana may expedite the issuance, renewal, or reinstatement of a teacher license for military spouses.	Ind. Code Ann. § 20-28-2-6
Iowa	Yes. Iowa provides consultants as single points of contact for military spouses regarding nontraditional licensure. Candidates may also be eligible for a military exchange license.	Iowa Admin. Code r. 282-13.17(272) Iowa Code Ann. § 272.8 (West)
Kansas	No.	
Kentucky	Yes. Candidates may be eligible for a temporary or regular license within 30 days of applying if they meet the applicable requirements.	KRS § 12.357

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Louisiana	Yes. Candidates may be eligible for a temporary practice permit for military spouses trained in another state as they work towards meeting the requirements for licensure or candidates may be eligible for a license if they hold a substantially equivalent license and are able to demonstrate competency.	LSA-R.S. 37:3651
Maine	No.	10 M.R
Maryland	Yes. Maryland may expedite certification for military spouses meeting certain requirements. Candidates may be eligible for a temporary educator certificate if they hold a valid certificate from another state that is in good standing but do not meet the qualifications for certification in Maryland.	MD Code, Education, § 6-101.1
Massachusetts	Yes. Massachusetts may expedite applications for licensure for military spouses.	<a href="#">Source</a>
Michigan	Yes. Michigan may reimburse application and evaluation fees and provides a dedicated staff member to guide military spouses through licensure.	<a href="#">Source</a>
Minnesota	Yes. Minnesota may expedite licensing for military spouses. Candidates may be eligible for temporary licensing.	Minn. Stat. Ann. § 122A.18 Minn. Stat. Ann. § 197.4552
Mississippi	Yes. Candidates may be eligible for licensure if they hold a current license that is substantially equivalent from another state and can demonstrate competency.	Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2 Miss. Code Ann. §73-50-1
Missouri	Yes. Candidates may be eligible for a provisional license if they complete a criminal background check.	Mo. Ann. Stat. § 168.021
Montana	No.	
Nebraska	Yes. Candidates with at least two years of experience may be eligible for a Military Teaching Permit while they meet certification requirements.	<a href="#">Source</a> 92 Neb. Admin. Code Ch. 21, 005
Nevada	Yes. Nevada may expedite applications for military spouses. Candidates may be eligible for a license if they have completed the equivalent of an alternative route to licensure in another state.	Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 391.032 Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 391.036 Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 391.040
New Hampshire	No.	
New Jersey	Yes. Candidates may be eligible for a temporary instructional certificate while they meet the additional requirements for an instructional certificate if they hold a valid and comparable license issued by another state and can demonstrate competency.	N.J. Stat. Ann. § 18A:26-2.14
New Mexico	Yes. New Mexico expedites applications and waives fees for military spouses.	NM HB 30 (2020) N.M. Stat. Ann. § 22-10A-12.1
New York	Yes. Individuals on active U.S. military duty, or dependents of active military personnel may request an expedited review of their certificate application.	<a href="#">Source</a>
North Carolina	Yes. Candidates may be allowed to submit licensure exam scores from a different state than which they completed their education preparation program.	16 N.C. Admin. Code 6C.0316
North Dakota	Yes. North Dakota waives all application and licensure fees except for the background check for military spouses.	N.D. Cent. Code Ann. § 43-51-11.1
Ohio	Yes. Ohio waives any initial educator license or renewal for military spouses. Active duty military members and their spouses are also eligible for a Temporary Military License if they are licensed and in good standing in another state.	<a href="#">Source</a>
Oklahoma	Yes, statute requires agency boards to establish a process to expedite licensure for military spouses.	Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 59, § 4100.5
Oregon	Yes. Oregon will expedite the application and licensing process for military spouses if the candidate meets all requirements for licensure.	Or. Admin. R. 584-200-0040
Pennsylvania	Yes. Pennsylvania prioritizes applications and reduces the application fee for military spouses.	<a href="#">Source</a>
Rhode Island	No.	
South Carolina	Yes. South Carolina prioritizes applications for military spouses.	<a href="#">Source</a>

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		S.D. Codified Laws § 13-42-67
South Dakota	Yes. Candidates may receive an expedited certificate at no cost.	S.D. Codified Laws § 13-42-68 S.D. Codified Laws § 13-42-69
Tennessee	Yes. Tennessee may expedite licensure applications for military spouses. Candidates may be eligible for a practitioner license if they hold an active license from another state.	Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0520-02-03-.03 Tennessee State Board of Education Policy 5.502: Educator Licensure Policy
Texas	Yes. Texas may expedite applications and waive fees for military spouses. Candidates may be eligible for a temporary certificate.	<a href="#">Source</a> 19 Tex. Admin. Code §234.5
Utah	Yes. Utah may expedite applications for military spouses and veterans.	<a href="#">Source</a>
Vermont	No.	
Virginia	Yes. Candidates may be exempt from service requirements and licensing assessments if they have an out-of-state license without deficiencies.	Va. Code Ann. § 22.1-298.1
Washington	Yes. Washington may expedite certification for military spouses.	Wash. Rev. Code Ann. § 18.340.020 Wash. Admin. Code 181-79A-257
West Virginia	Yes. Candidates may be eligible for a temporary teaching certificate if they hold a current teaching certificate in another state.	W. Va. Code § 18A-3-2A
Wisconsin	Yes. Candidates may be eligible for a Tier II military spouse license if they hold a valid teacher license from another state.	Wis. Admin. Code PI § 34.0405
Wyoming	Yes. Candidates may be eligible to teach if they hold a valid license from another state that is in good standing and substantially equivalent, can demonstrate competency, complete all application procedures and pay any required fee.	Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 33-1-117