

**2150.0160 INACTIVE LICENSES.**

Subpart 1. **Inactive status.** A professional counselor currently licensed in Minnesota may apply for an inactive status license with the board. Requests for inactive status licensure must be made at the time of license renewal, and must be accompanied by the appropriate fee. A licensee may not practice professional counseling in Minnesota while the licensee's license is in inactive status.

Subp. 2. **Application.** The licensee must complete a board-approved application which must include a signed, notarized affidavit stating that the licensee is not currently practicing professional counseling in Minnesota. The board may refuse to approve an application if:

- A. a complaint is pending against the licensee;
- B. the licensee has an outstanding disciplinary order or corrective action agreement; or
- C. the licensee is not current in fees and penalties paid, or in continuing education units obtained for annual license renewal.

Subp. 3. **Renewal of inactive license.** A licensee whose license is in inactive status is subject to the renewal requirements in this chapter.

Subp. 4. **Reactivation.** A licensee whose license is in inactive status may return to active license status at any time, subject to the requirements in items A and B.

A. The licensee shall complete a board-approved application which must include a signed, notarized affidavit stating that the licensee has not practiced professional counseling in Minnesota during the period of time in which the license was inactive. The application must be accompanied by the active license fee. If application is made at a time other than the licensee's renewal cycle, the licensee shall pay the difference between the inactive license fee and the active license fee.

B. The licensee shall provide documentation acceptable to the board that the licensee has met the continuing education requirements during the period of time in which the license was inactive.

Subp. 5. **Jurisdiction.** The board shall retain jurisdiction over a licensee whose license is in inactive status, and may take disciplinary action against the licensee for conduct occurring before or during the time in which the license is inactive.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 148B.52; 148B.54; 214.12*

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