

**Chapter 3: LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT**

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**Summary:** This chapter describes the pathway for Maine licensure for applicants with an active license in a U.S. jurisdiction that maintains licensing requirements that are substantially equivalent to Maine's requirements for the licensed profession or occupation, so long as the applicant is in good standing in all jurisdictions in which the applicant holds or has held a license and no cause for denial exists under 10 M.R.S. § 8003(5-A)(A) or under any other law.

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**1. LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT**

An individual applying for a license by endorsement must submit a complete application on a form provided by the board, submit any fee required by Chapter 10 of the Rules of the Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation, and meet the following requirements:

**1. License from Another U.S. Jurisdiction**

An applicant must have an active occupational therapy license issued by another jurisdiction of the United States that maintains substantially equivalent license requirements for the type of license sought.

**2. Substantially Equivalent License Requirements**

“Substantially equivalent license requirements” means that the jurisdiction maintains a pathway for initial licensure that at a minimum requires the education and examination as set forth in Sections 2(A) and 2(B).

**A. Licensed Occupational Therapist**

- i.** Documented proof of completion of the academic and fieldwork requirements of an occupational therapy educational program accredited by ACOTE; and
- ii.** Proof of a passing score on the certification examination of NBCOT, or its successor organization, for the occupational therapist.

**B. Licensed Occupational Therapy Assistant**

- i.** Documented proof of completion of the academic and fieldwork requirements of an occupational therapy assistant educational program accredited by ACOTE; and
- ii.** Proof of a passing score on the certification examination of NBCOT, or its successor organization, for the occupational therapy assistant.

3. **Proof of Good Standing in All Jurisdictions**

An applicant must be in good standing in all jurisdictions in which the applicant holds or has held a license. For purposes of this subsection “good standing” means that the applicant does not have a complaint, allegation or investigation pending, does not have a license that is suspended or subject to practice restrictions and has never surrendered a license or had a license revoked.

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