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NCEES announces new Records option for military families seeking comity licensure

NCEES is pleased to announce that it has added a new option to the NCEES Records program to assist military families with the comity licensure process. Starting April 27, active-duty military and their spouses are eligible to transmit their NCEES Record to a state licensing board at no charge when military orders require them to relocate to that state.

The NCEES Records program is designed for currently licensed engineers and surveyors who are looking for an easier and faster way to complete the comity licensure process in another U.S. state or territory. Once established, an individual's Record includes most—if not all—of the materials needed to apply for comity licensure in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

“This new no-cost option will help members of the military and their spouses by simplifying and expediting the comity licensure process in their new state,” explained NCEES Chief Executive Officer David Cox. “Military transmittals will include a special designation to alert the receiving licensing board of their priority status. Applying for comity licensure through the NCEES Records program can often be completed and a license issued within a matter of days.”

An individual's NCEES Record is a verified compilation of his or her official academic transcripts, full employment history, professional references, and exam results. It is commonly used by licensed engineers and surveyors to document completion of the education, experience, and examination requirements shared by all U.S. engineering and surveying licensing boards. In 2019–20, almost 40,000 engineers and surveyors transmitted their information to a state licensing board through the program.

Patty Mamola, P.E., executive director of the Nevada State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors noted, “Comity licensure is one of the most critical issues facing licensing boards today. Having additional options that allow us to specifically support our military and ease their transition to a new state is huge.”

Active-duty military and their spouses who are interested in learning more about the NCEES Records program or how to use it when they are restationed in a new state or territory should visit ncees.org/records or email military@ncees.org for more information.

ABOUT NCEES

The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying is a nonprofit organization made up of engineering and surveying licensing boards from all U.S. states, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Since its founding in 1920, NCEES has been committed to advancing licensure for engineers and surveyors in order to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of the U.S. public.

NCEES helps its member licensing boards carry out their duties to regulate the professions of engineering and surveying. It develops best-practice models for state licensure laws and regulations and promotes uniformity among the states. It develops and administers the exams used for engineering and surveying licensure throughout the country. It also provides services to help licensed engineers and surveyors practice their professions in other U.S. states and territories. For more information, please visit ncees.org.