

327.060 Licensing requirements for persons holding a license in another state and persons trained in a foreign country. (Effective July 15, 2026)

- (1) The board shall issue a license to:
 - (a) An individual who holds a valid license from another state, who meets requirements specified in KRS 327.050 and who has no imposed or pending disciplinary actions.
 - (b) An individual who has been educated as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant outside the United States and who has:
 1. Completed the application process;
 2. Provided satisfactory evidence to the board that his or her education is substantially equivalent to the requirements for physical therapists or physical therapist assistants educated in United States accredited educational programs;
 3. Provided written proof that the school of physical therapy education outside the United States is recognized by its own ministry of education;
 4. Successfully completed the examinations provided for in KRS 327.050;
 5. Passed the board-approved English language proficiency examinations if English is not the applicant's native language;
 6. Successfully completed, prior to licensure, a board-approved, supervised practice period of not less than three (3) months nor more than six (6) months, under the direct supervision of a physical therapist who holds an unrestricted license. This requirement may be satisfied by at least three (3) months of supervised practice as a physical therapist in a state with license requirements comparable to or more stringent than those of Kentucky;
 7. Provided proof of legal authorization to reside and seek employment in the United States or its territories;
 8. Provided proof of authorization to practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant without limitations in the country where the professional education occurred;
 9. Submitted to a prescreening process by an agency approved by the board; and
 10. Submitted educational credentials to the board for evaluation by an agency approved by the board.
- (2) The board may approve an agency to prescreen applicants for initial licensure under this section.
- (3) The board may approve one (1) or more services to provide an evaluation of the applicant's educational credentials for board approval for licensing under this section.
- (4) The board may waive the requirements of subsection (1)(b) 3., 9., and 10. of this section if the applicant is a graduate of a professional physical therapy education program preapproved by the board.
- (5) The board may waive the requirements of subsection (1)(b)6. of this section for an

applicant for credentialing by endorsement pursuant to administrative regulations of the board.

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