
Advisory: DCA-21-197 Waiver Extending Time to Satisfy Examination Requirements

California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 16, Section 1381.4 provides,

“Any applicant approved to take or retake a Board licensing examination who fails to appear for such examination in any twelve-month period shall have his or her application withdrawn. An applicant who subsequently decides to take the examination shall be required to file a new application and pay the current application and examination fees.”

On March 30, 2021, the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) issued the first waiver to extend time for applicants to satisfy examination requirements for licensure relating to the above-quoted 16 CCR § 1381.4. The Director issued this current waiver, [DCA Waiver DCA-21-197 Waiver Extending Time to Satisfy Examination Requirements](#), on September 28, 2021. It is an extension to the [DCA Waiver DCA-21-177](#), which the Director issued on July 26, 2021.

For applications that are scheduled to expire between October 1, 2021, and October 31, 2021, this September 28, 2021 waiver provides a one-time 6-month extension for candidates to take or re-take an examination from the expiration date of their application after their eligibility for examination was approved by the Board. Please note that this waiver does not retroactively apply to applications that expired prior to September 30, 2020, where applicants have already re-applied. This waiver also does not apply to current candidates who have obtained the one-time 6-month extension under any previous waiver issued by DCA.