

STATE OF ALABAMA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT

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According to AL Law, “no person shall practice nor hold himself out to be able to practice physical therapy or act as a physical therapist assistant in this state unless he is licensed in accordance with Section 34-24- 210.”

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the **application form**, sign in the specified place, and attach required photo in space provided on the application form.

Send a cashier’s check, money order or company check for \$150.00 **application fee** - payable to the **Alabama Board of Physical Therapy**. **NO PERSONAL CHECKS OR CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

FEES NOT REFUNDABLE – Fees received by the board are non-refundable

Have your PT/PTA school send an **official transcript**, identifying graduation, directly to the board. Secure, electronic copies of an official transcript from the PT/PTA school will be accepted.

Have two (2) **Character Reference forms** completed by professional colleagues and sent directly to the board by the person providing the reference.

Have **verifications of all current state licenses** sent directly to the board from all states where you are currently licensed. You must personally request release of that information.

Have your **NPTE examination score** forwarded directly to this board. Requests should be made to Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy, 124 West Street South, 3rd Floor Alexandria, VA 22314. Telephone: (703) 299-3100. Passing standard in AL is scale score 600 criterion-referenced.

All applicants for licensure by endorsement must provide proof of completion of twenty (20) hours of acceptable continuing education in the twenty-four (24) months prior to application for licensure in Alabama. A licensee who is unable to document twenty (20) hours of continuing education activities in the twenty-four (24) months prior to application shall have one hundred twenty (120) days after the initial issuance of the license to successfully meet this requirement. This requirement is in addition to the annual renewal requirement of ten (10) hours. Failure to meet the continuing education requirements within that timeframe will result in disciplinary action.

NOTE: APPLICANTS WHO ARE LICENSED BY ENDORSEMENT MUST COMPLETE AN ACCEPTABLE ALABAMA JURISPRUDENCE CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE DURING YOUR FIRST RENEWAL PERIOD.

FOREIGN EDUCATED APPLICANTS

All foreign educated applicants must submit their education credentials to either FCCPT or ICA for a credentials review. The **educational credentials review report** must be sent directly to the Alabama Board of Physical Therapy by the service completing the review.

All foreign educated applicants must complete a **Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)** examination and have the results sent directly to the Alabama Board of Physical Therapy by the testing service. Acceptable TOEFL scores, which must be accomplished in a single test, are as follows:

Reading – 21; Listening – 18; Speaking – 26; Writing – 24. Failure to provide acceptable TOEFL scores will preclude applicants from licensure.

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State of Alabama Board of Physical Therapy

Application for Licensure by ENDORSEMENT

Instructions: Fill in Form. Print and sign. Mail with money order.

PT ____ PTA ____

Are you a U.S. citizen or legally present in the United States?		YES ____	NO ____
Name in full: _____		Social Security Number _____	
(As you want it on your license)			
Date of Birth	Race	Sex	
Home Address:			
City	State	Zip Code	
Telephone Number	Email address		
Present Employer, address, and phone number: _____ _____ _____			
When and where do you plan to begin work in Alabama?			
Please answer the following with YES or NO:			
HAVE YOU EVER:			
_____ Used drugs or intoxicating liquors to an extent which affects professional competency?			
_____ Been convicted of a felony or of a crime involving moral turpitude?			
_____ Obtained or attempted to obtain a license by fraud or deception?			
_____ Been grossly negligent in the practice of physical therapy?			
_____ Been adjudged mentally incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction?			
_____ Been guilty of conduct unbecoming a person registered as a physical therapist or of a conduct detrimental to the best interest of the public?			
_____ Been guilty of violating any state or federal narcotic law?			
_____ Treated or undertaken to treat human ailments other than by physical therapy?			
_____ Advertised unethically according to standards as set by the Board?			
_____ Failed or refused to obey any lawful order or regulation of the Board?			

Have you undergone treatment for alcohol or chemical dependency or abuse? YES ___ NO ___

If yes, identify the date of treatment and nature and circumstances of the treatment _____

Are there any criminal or civil suits pending against you? YES ___ NO ___

If yes, explain: _____

Have you notified FSBPT to transfer your score report to Alabama? _____. Or, were you originally licensed by other than the National Physical Therapy Examination? If yes, explain: _____

List the state of your original licensure: _____

List the states where you are currently licensed: _____

Has your license to practice physical therapy ever been:

_____ Suspended If yes, please explain: _____

_____ Put on Probation _____

_____ Revoked _____

_____ Rejected _____

_____ Any other disciplinary actions _____

Identify school, address, date and degree of your physical education:

School:	Address:
Dates:	PT Degree/Date Granted:

HAVE YOUR SCHOOL SEND AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT, IDENTIFYING GRADUATION/DEGREE DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD OFFICE. ONLY SECURE, ELECTRONIC COPIES OF AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT FROM THE PT/PTA SCHOOL WILL BE ACCEPTED. NO PERMANENT LICENSE WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT ON FILE.

References: Provide the name, address, and telephone number of two professional colleagues who can provide the required character references.

Name:	Address:	Tel #:
Name:	Address:	Tel #:

AFFIDAVIT

I, _____, affirm I am the person referred to in the foregoing application and that the statements made are true. In the event I am licensed by the State of Alabama Board of Physical Therapy, I hereby agree to adhere to and abide by all the statutes governing the practice of physical therapy in Alabama.

Signature _____
Original signature required

**ATTACH PASSPORT TYPE
PHOTO IN THIS SPACE.**

Directions: This form must be completed and submitted by individuals applying for licensure in Alabama. Include copy of valid proof of citizenship with this document when submitted. Acceptable types of valid proof of citizenship follow this form.

**DECLARATION OF CITIZENSHIP AND LAWFUL PRESENCE OF AN
ALIEN FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS AND LICENSING/PERMITTING PROGRAMS**

Title IV of the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. § 1621, provides that, with certain exceptions, only United States citizens, United States non-citizen nationals, non-exempt “qualified aliens” (and sometimes only particular categories of qualified aliens), non-immigrants, and certain aliens paroled into the United States are eligible to receive covered state or local public benefits.

With certain exceptions, Ala. Code §31-13-1, *et. seq.*, prohibits aliens unlawfully present in the U.S. from receiving state or local benefits. Every U.S. Citizen applying for a state or local public benefit must sign a declaration of Citizenship, and the lawful presence of an alien in the U.S. must be verified by the Federal Government.

Ala Code §31-13-1, et. seq., also requires every individual applying for a permit or license to demonstrate his/her U.S. citizenship or if the applicant is an alien, he/she must demonstrate his/her lawful presence in the United States.

SECTION I – APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME: _____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

SECTION II – U. S. CITIZENSHIP OR NATIONAL STATUS

Are you a citizen of the United States (check one) Yes No

If you answered **YES**: (1) Provide a legible copy of document from attached List A or other document that demonstrates U.S. citizenship or nationality and (2) Complete Section IV.

If you answered **NO**: Complete Sections III and IV.

Name of document provided: _____

SECTION III – ALIEN STATUS

Are you an alien lawfully present in the United States? Yes No

If you answered **YES**: (1) Provide a legible copy of the front and back (if any) of a document from attached List B or other document that demonstrates lawful presence in the United States. (2) Complete Section IV. Information from the documentation provided will be used to verify lawful presence through the United States Government.

If you answer **NO**: Complete Section IV.

Name of document provided: _____

SECTION IV - DECLARATION

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Alabama that the answers and evidence I provided are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE (original signature required) _____ DATE _____

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PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP

Code of Alabama 1975, Section 31-13-29(g)

From Act 2012-491

- (1) A driver's license or non-driver's identification card issued by the Alabama Department of Public Safety or the equivalent governmental agency of another state within the United States, provided that the governmental agency of another state within the United States requires proof of lawful presence in the United States as a condition of issuance of the driver's license or non-driver's identification card.
- (2) A birth certificate indicating birth in the United States or one of its territories.
- (3) Pertinent pages of a United States valid or expired passport identifying the person and the person's passport number, or the person's United States passport.
- (4) United States naturalization documents of the number of the certificate of naturalization.
- (5) Other documents or methods of proof of United States citizenship issued by the federal government pursuant to the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, as amended.
- (6) Bureau of Indian Affairs card number, tribal treaty card number, or tribal enrollment number.
- (7) A consular report of birth abroad of a citizen of the United States of America.
- (8) A certificate of citizenship issued by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- (9) A certification of report of birth issued by the United States Department of State.
- (10) An American Indian card, with KIC classification, issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security.
- (11) Final adoption decree showing the person's name and United States birthplace.
- (12) An official United States military record of service showing the applicant's place of birth in the United States.
- (13) An extract from a United States hospital record of birth created at the time of the person's birth indicating the place of birth in the United States.
- (14) AL-verity.
- (15) A valid Uniformed Services Privileges and Identification Card.
- (16) Any other form of identification that the Alabama Department of Revenue Authorizes, through an administrative rule promulgated pursuant to the Alabama Administrative Procedure Act, to be used to demonstrate or confirm a person's United States citizenship or lawful presence in the United States, provided that the identification requires proof of lawful presence in the United States as a condition of issuance.

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PROOF OF LAWFUL PRESENCE OF NON-CITIZEN

Code of Alabama 1975, Section 31-13-3-(10)

- (1.) A valid, unexpired Alabama driver's license.
- (2.) A valid, unexpired Alabama no driver's identification card.
- (3.) A valid tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification document bearing a photograph or other biometric identifier, if issued by an entity that requires proof of lawful presence in the United States before issuance.
- (4.) Any valid United States federal or state government issued identification document bearing a photograph or other biometric identifier, if issued by an entity that requires proof of lawful presence in the United States before issuance.
- (5.) A foreign passport with an unexpired United States Visa and a corresponding stamp or notation by the United States Department of Homeland Security indicating the bearer's admission to the United States.

A foreign passport issued by a visa waiver country with the corresponding entry stamp and unexpired duration of stay annotation or an I-94W form by the United States Department of Homeland Security indicating the bearer's admission to the United States.