

505-2-.09 NON-RENEWABLE PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE

(1) Summary: The Non-Renewable certificate allows individuals to become employed under certain conditions while completing certification requirements.

(2) Requirements. The Non-Renewable Professional certificate may be issued at the request of an employing local unit of administration (LUA) to individuals in the following scenarios:

(a) One (1)-Year Non-Renewable.

1. Georgia educators who do not meet renewal requirements.
2. Completers of a GaPSC-approved service field or leadership program who have satisfied all program requirements with the exception of the content knowledge assessment(s), and have obtained a valid recommendation from the educator preparation provider (EPP).
 - (i) Georgia educators who are adding a service or leadership field to an existing certificate in any field are not eligible for a One (1)-Year Non-Renewable certificate. All program and assessment requirements must be met to receive professional certification in the service or leadership field.
3. Out-of-state educators applying by reciprocity who hold or held a professional out-of-state teaching certificate, have at least three years of successful teaching experience, but who have not met Georgia content testing requirements.
4. Out-of-state educators applying by reciprocity who hold or held a professional out-of-state service or leadership certificate, but who have not met Georgia content testing requirements.
5. Out-of-state educators applying by reciprocity who have completed an approved out-of-state service field or leadership program and have obtained a valid recommendation from the educator preparation provider (EPP), but not met Georgia content testing requirements.

(b) Three (3)-Year Non-Renewable.

1. Georgia educators who hold a valid renewable professional certificate in any field, but are assigned to teach in a field in which they do not meet certification requirements.
2. Individuals who have not met certain requirements for renewable professional certification in a service field, as outlined in the individual service field rules, excluding Audiology, Curriculum and Instruction, Instructional Technology, Speech and Language Pathology, and Teacher Leadership (See GaPSC Rules [505-2-.140 AUDIOLOGY through 505-2-.149 TEACHER LEADERSHIP](#)).
3. Individuals assigned to work in a leadership position while completing a GaPSC-approved Tier I or Tier II certification program in Educational Leadership.

(3) Fields of Issuance.

(a) Non-Renewable Professional certificates may be issued in all teaching, service, leadership, and endorsement fields at the request of an employing Georgia local unit of administration

(LUA).

(4) Restrictions.

- (a) The standard validity period may be decreased by the number of years an individual has held a Three (3)-Year Induction, Supplemental Induction, or Non-Renewable certificate, including a Waiver certificate, for which requirements were not met.
- (b) Individuals assigned to work in a leadership position may be issued a three (3)-year Non-Renewable Professional Educational Leadership certificate. If an individual is required to hold both Tier I and Tier II certificates, the local unit of administration (LUA) may request a three (3)-year Non-Renewable Performance-Based Professional certificate extension after completion of requirements for a Professional Tier I certificate in leadership as outlined in GaPSC Rule [505-2-.153 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP](#).

(5) Conversion. Specific requirements that must be completed to convert the Non-Renewable Professional certificate to renewable professional status will be printed on the certificate and outlined in correspondence accompanying the certificate. Additional information may be found on the GaPSC web site at www.gapsc.com.

(6) Renewal.

- (a) Non-Renewable Professional certificates may not be renewed or extended. An individual who has previously held a Non-Renewable certificate that was not converted to a renewable professional certificate is not eligible for any further Non-Renewable certificates in any field.
- (b) Individuals who have previously held a Non-Renewable Professional certificate, but did not utilize the certificate for one (1) or more full academic years, may be eligible for an extension of the Non-Renewable Professional certificate upon the request of a Georgia employing local unit of administration (LUA). Non-Renewable Professional certificates are not issued for partial academic years, and may only be extended for the number of full years for which the educator can document that the certificate was not used.

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