



Summary of Proposed Changes to GaPSC Certification Rules

January 11, 2018 Initiation

Public Comment Period: January 29, 2018 through February 27, 2018

At its January 11, 2018, meeting, the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) initiated the rulemaking process for the Certification rules listed below. Summaries of proposed rule changes are provided below and the **proposed rules are available at:**

<http://www.gapsc.com/Commission/Rules/home.aspx>

The public comment period for these rules is open from **January 29, 2018, through February 27, 2018**. Written comments related to these rules must be addressed to GaPSC Executive Secretary, Mr. Kelly Henson and may be submitted via e-mail (RulesComments@GaPSC.com) or via regular mail (200 Piedmont Avenue, Suite 1702, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032). Commissioners will consider formal adoption of the proposed rules during their regular meeting on March 8, 2018. If you have questions about these proposed rules, please contact the certification division at mail@gapsc.com.

Certification Rule Changes		
Rule #	Rule Name	Summary of Rules Action
505-2-.02	Classification	The Classification rule is being updated to change the associate's degree equivalent from fifty-four (54) semester hours to sixty (60) semester hours.
505-2-.04	Induction Certificate	The Induction Certificate rule is being updated to clarify the validity period of Induction Pathway 4 certificates.
505-2-.18	Paraprofessional License	The Paraprofessional License rule is being updated to clarify that coursework used to meet the semester hour associate's degree equivalent requirement must be above the remedial level and earned with a grade of "C" or better.
505-2-.23	Certificate of Eligibility	The Certificate of Eligibility rule is being updated to clarify that the Certificate of Eligibility is not issued for Induction Pathway 4 certificates.
505-2-.43	Annual Performance Evaluation	The Annual Performance Evaluation rule is being updated to include Clearance certificate holders in the definition of certificated personnel.

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Rule #	Rule Name	Summary of Rules Action
505-2-.87	Healthcare Science	The Healthcare Science rule is being updated to add the ethics entry assessment as a requirement for issuance of the Induction Pathway 4 certificate in this field.
505-2-.90	Career and Technical Specializations	The Career and Technical Specialization rule is being updated to add the ethics entry assessment as a requirement for issuance of the Induction Pathway 4 certificate in this field, remove the National Construction Career Test as a requirement for Construction and Welding certification, and clarify the numbering of sections.