

### **§1524-C. Requirements for licensure; conditional interpreter and conditional deaf interpreter**

No more than one conditional license may be issued to a person who has completed the education requirements of this chapter. A conditional license may be held no more than 4 years, except that a 5th year may be granted by the director upon demonstration of extreme hardship. [PL 2019, c. 284, §12 (NEW).]

To be eligible for licensure as a conditional interpreter or conditional deaf interpreter under this chapter, an applicant must be at least 18 years of age and must provide the following: [PL 2019, c. 284, §12 (NEW).]

**1. Proof of proficiency in American Sign Language.** Documented proof of a qualifying score on an American Sign Language proficiency interview as determined by the director by rule adopted under section 1522; and [PL 2021, c. 48, §3 (AMD).]

**2. Proof of education and training in the interpreting process.**  
[PL 2021, c. 48, §4 (RP).]

**3. Proof of education and training in the interpreting process.** Documented proof of the following:

A. At least one of the following:

- (1) An associate degree or higher in American Sign Language, American Sign Language interpreting or deaf studies from an accredited college or university; or
- (2) For persons holding a limited license that is current on the effective date of this section, an alternative pathway approved by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc. or a comparable or successor organization recognized by the director; and [PL 2021, c. 48, §5 (NEW).]

B. A passing score on a knowledge exam administered by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc. or a comparable or successor organization recognized by the director. [PL 2021, c. 48, §5 (NEW).]  
[PL 2021, c. 48, §5 (NEW).]

#### **SECTION HISTORY**

PL 2019, c. 284, §12 (NEW). PL 2021, c. 48, §§3-5 (AMD).

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