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The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (Commission) adopts amended 37 Texas Administrative Code §219.11, Reactivation of a License, with no changes to the proposed text as published in the March 13, 2026 issue of the *Texas Register* (51 TexReg 1580). The rule will not be republished.

This adopted amended rule clarifies the existing requirement that the reactivation prerequisites are determined by the number of years since the licensee's last full-time service appointment.

The public comment period began on March 13, 2026, and ended on April 16, 2026, at the conclusion of the public meeting of the Commission. No public comments were received regarding adoption of the amended rule as proposed.

The amended rule is adopted pursuant to Texas Occupations Code §1701.151, General Powers of Commission; Rulemaking Authority, Texas Occupations Code §1701.316, Reactivation of a Peace Officer License, and Texas Occupations Code §1701.3161, Reactivation of a Peace Officer License: Retired Peace Officers. Texas Occupations Code §1701.151 authorizes the Commission to adopt rules for the administration of Occupations Code Chapter 1701 and to establish minimum standards relating to the competence and reliability, including the education, training, physical, and mental standards, for licensing as an officer, county jailer, or telecommunicator. Texas Occupations Code §1701.316 requires the Commission to adopt rules establishing requirements for the reactivation of a peace officer's license. Texas Occupations Code §1701.3161 requires the Commission to adopt rules establishing requirements for the reactivation of a retired peace officer's license.

The amended rule as adopted affects or implements Texas Occupations Code §1701.151, General Powers of Commission; Rulemaking Authority, Texas Occupations Code §1701.316, Reactivation of a Peace Officer License, and Texas Occupations Code §1701.3161, Reactivation of a Peace Officer License: Retired Peace Officers. No other code, article, or statute is affected by this proposal.

The adopted amended rule has been reviewed by legal counsel and found to be a valid exercise of the Commission's legal authority.

§219.11. Reactivation of a License.
(a) The commission will place all licenses in an inactive status at the end of the most recent training unit or cycle in which the licensee:
(1) was not appointed at the end of the unit or cycle; and
(2) did not meet continuing education requirements.
(b) The holder of an inactive license is unlicensed for all purposes.
(c) This section includes any permanent peace officer qualification certificate with an effective date before September 1, 1981.
(d) The requirements to reactivate a license for a peace officer with less than 10 years of full-time service are:
(1) If not appointed within two, but less than five, years from initial licensure:

(A) meet current licensing standards;
(B) successfully complete continuing education requirements, a supplemental peace officer training course, and a skills assessment course;
(C) make application and submit any required fee(s); and
(D) pass the reactivation exam.
(2) If not appointed within five years of initial licensure:
(A) meet current enrollment standards;
(B) meet current licensing standards;
(C) successfully complete the basic licensing course;
(D) make application and submit any required fee(s); and
(E) pass the licensing exam.
(3) If less than two years from last full-time service appointment:
(A) meet current licensing standards;
(B) successfully complete continuing education requirements; and
(C) make application and submit any required fee(s) in the format currently prescribed by the commission.
(4) If more than two years but less than five years from last full-time service appointment:
(A) meet current licensing standards;
(B) successfully complete continuing education requirements and a supplemental peace officer training course;
(C) make application and submit any required fee(s); and
(D) pass the licensing exam.
(5) If more than five years but less than ten years from last full-time service appointment:
(A) meet current licensing standards;
(B) successfully complete continuing education requirements, a supplemental peace officer training course, and a skills assessment course;
(C) make application and submit any required fee(s); and
(D) pass the licensing exam.
(6) Ten years or more from last full-time service appointment:
(A) meet current enrollment standards;
(B) meet current licensing standards;
(C) successfully complete the basic licensing course;
(D) make application and submit any required fee(s); and
(E) pass the licensing exam.
(e) The requirements to reactivate a license for a peace officer with 10 years but less than 15 years of full-time service are:
(1) If less than two years from last full-time service appointment:
(A) meet current licensing standards;
(B) successfully complete continuing education requirements; and
(C) make application and submit any required fee(s) in the format currently prescribed by the commission.
(2) If more than two years but less than five years from last full-time service appointment:
(A) meet current licensing standards;
(B) successfully complete continuing education requirements, and, if applicable, a supplemental peace officer training course;
(C) make application and submit any required fee(s); and

(D) pass the reactivation exam.

(3) If more than five years from last full-time service appointment:

(A) meet current licensing standards;

(B) successfully complete continuing education requirements, and, if applicable, a supplemental peace officer training course and a skills assessment course;

(C) make application and submit any required fee(s); and

(D) pass the reactivation exam.

(f) Unless exempted by Texas Occupations Code Section 1701.356, the requirements to reactivate a license for an honorably retired peace officer are:

(1) meet current licensing standards;

(2) meet current continuing education requirements; and

(3) make application and submit any required fee(s).

(g) School marshal licenses are subject to the reactivation and renewal procedures related to school marshals under Chapter 227 of this title.

(h) The requirements to reactivate a jailer or telecommunicator license are:

(1) If less than two years from last appointment:

(A) meet current licensing standards;

(B) successfully complete continuing education requirements; and

(C) make application and submit any required fee(s) in the format currently prescribed by the commission.

(2) If more than two years but less than five years from last appointment:

(A) meet current licensing standards;

(B) successfully complete continuing education requirements;

(C) make application and submit any required fee(s); and

(D) pass the licensing exam.

(3) If more than five years from last appointment:

(A) meet current licensing standards;

(B) successfully complete the applicable basic licensing course;

(C) make application and submit any required fee(s); and

(D) pass the licensing exam.

(i) The effective date of this section is June 1, 2026.