

## ALABAMA BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

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# **INACTIVE STATUS PROCEDURES**

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A licensee may request that the Board designate their license as **Inactive** at any time prior to the annual renewal deadline of **October 15**. Granting Inactive status immediately suspends all privileges associated with licensure until reinstatement is requested by the licensee and approved by the Board.

## **Important Restrictions:**

- A licensee with Inactive status may **not** practice psychology or use the title *Licensed Psychologist* or *Licensed Psychological Technician*.
- Any individual who violates this rule will be considered to be practicing without a license and will be subject to Board disciplinary action.
- Inactive status does not remove the Board's authority over any actions taken during periods of active licensure.

## **Requesting Inactive Status**

- 1. Visit the Board's website or contact the Board Office to obtain the Application for Inactive Status form.
- 2. Complete the form, ensuring it is signed, dated, and notarized.
- 3. Mail the form to:

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4. The Board will respond in writing upon receipt of the request.

### **Continuing Inactive Status**

At each renewal period, the Board will send both a *Continuation of Inactive Status* form and a renewal notice to any licensee whose license is Inactive. To maintain Inactive status for the next licensure year, the licensee must:

- Submit the completed Continuation of Inactive Status form and current fees to the Board Office no later than October 15.
- Payment may be made electronically.

Failure to either reinstate the license to Active status **or** renew Inactive status by the deadline will result in the license lapsing. Practicing psychology in Alabama without a valid Active license (unless in an exempt setting) will subject the individual to disciplinary action.

### **Reinstating a License from Inactive Status**

To reinstate an Inactive license, a licensee must:

- 1. Visit the Board's website or contact the Board Office to obtain the Reinstatement of Active Status form.
- 2. Complete and notarize the form.
- 3. Mail the notarized form along with:
  - Payment of the current fees (by check, money order, or cashier's check)
  - Proof of completion of the previous year's Continuing Education requirements to:

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If a licensee is found to have violated professional conduct laws or rules, the Board may deny reinstatement or prohibit future applications for reinstatement or restoration of licensure.