

Occupational Therapy Compact Commission (OTCC)

Chapter XX: Converting a Privilege to Practice to a Home State License

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Rule Title	Converting a Privilege to Practice to a Home State License
Rule History	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drafted: July 15, 2025• Public Comment Period: xxx• Adopted: xxx• Effective: xxx
Public Comment Instructions	Interested persons may electronically submit written comments on the proposed rule to executivedirector@otcompact.gov with the subject line “OT Compact Rule Comment” or by attending the meeting at which the rule will be discussed and voted on. Written comments on the proposed rule must be submitted by XXDATE, TIME CSTXX

§Section 1: Authority

Authority for this rule is in the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact Model Legislation.

§Section 5: *Obtaining a New Home State License by Virtue of Compact Privilege*

§Section 10: *Rulemaking*

§Section 2: Purpose

Pursuant to §Section 10 of the *Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact Model Legislation*, the Occupational Therapy Compact Commission shall promulgate reasonable and lawful uniform rules to facilitate and coordinate implementation and administration of the Occupational Therapy Interstate Compact.

§Section 3: Definitions

No definitions specific to this rule

§Section 4: Rule Content

• A Member State Shall:

- Provide an application to convert the privilege to practice to a home state license.
- Convert the Privilege to Practice to a Home State License, if requested by the licensee.
- Utilize CompactConnect to verify the eligibility for a new Home State License by virtue of a compact privilege pursuant to Section 5 of the Compact Law.
- Conduct Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Criminal Background Check (CBC) in accordance with state statute and Public Law 92-544.

• A Member State Board May Require:

- Payment of a new home state license fee as determined and set by that member state;
- Other criminal background check as required by the new Home State;
- Completion of any jurisprudence requirements required by the new Home State;
- Any licensure disciplinary information not attainable through CompactConnect.
- **The Occupational Therapist (OT) / Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) shall:**
 - Only hold one Home State License in a Member State at a time.
 - File an application to obtain a new Home State License following a change in primary residency.
 - Within thirty (30) days of a primary change in residency request conversion of their Privilege to Practice to a Home State License by virtue of a compact privilege in the Member State directly with that Member State Board.
 - Satisfactorily complete a Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Criminal Background Check (CBC) in accordance with OT Compact Commission Rules (reference current iteration of the FBI CBC rule)

The Commission shall exercise its rulemaking powers pursuant to the criteria set forth in §Section 10 of the *Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact Model Legislation* and the rules adopted thereunder. Rules and amendments shall become binding as of the date specified in each rule or amendment.

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