

Occupational Therapy Compact (OT Compact)
OT Compact Commission

Title of Rule: Rule on Definitions

Drafted: March 28, 2023

Meeting at which Rule will be discussed and voted on: TBD

Public comment: Interested persons may electronically submit written comments on the proposed rule to ieliassen@csg.org with the subject line “OTCC 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 2 pm ET the day before the meeting.

Effective: TBD (30 days from full commission approval)

History for Rule: March 28, 2023: Rule Introduced at Rules Committee Meeting.

April 18, 2023: Rule Approved as Amended at Rules Committee Meeting.
Sent to Executive Committee for consideration.

May 1, 2023: Rule Introduced at Executive Committee Meeting.

Chapter 1: Rulemaking on Definitions

Authority: Section 2: Definitions, Subsections F and H

Section 8: Establishment of the OT Compact Commission

Section 10: Rulemaking

1.0 Purpose: Pursuant to Section 8.C.6 and Section 10, the OT Compact Commission shall promulgate reasonable and lawful uniform rules to facilitate and coordinate implementation and administration of the OT Compact. This rule will become effective upon passage by the OT Compact Commission as provided in Section 10 of the OT Compact.

1.1 Definition(s): (a) “Home State License” as distinguished from a single-state license means an active license issued without any encumbrance by the primary state of residence which allows the licensee to be eligible to become authorized to practice in all compact member states.

(b) “Initial Privilege to Practice” means the eligibility of an Occupational Therapist (OT) or Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) to

34 become authorized to practice in all member states upon the issuance of an
35 unencumbered home state license in a state which is a member of the
36 compact.

37 **(c) “Minor Infraction”** means an infraction not related to the practice of
38 occupational therapy as determined by each state’s regulatory authority
39 which will not prevent a licensee from retaining or renewing a home state
40 license or privilege to practice and which does not result in an encumbered
41 license or is not reportable to the National Practitioners Data Bank.

42 **(d) “Unencumbered License”** means a license issued to an Occupational
43 Therapist (OT) or Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) that is currently
44 in good standing and not restricted by any terms, conditions, limitations or
45 sanctions attached to it or imposed by a state licensing board or authority.

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