



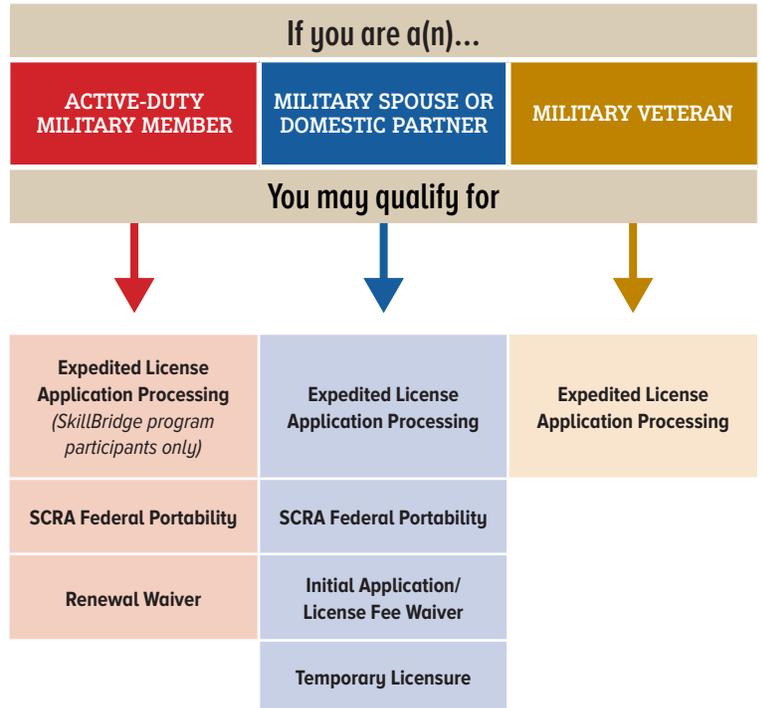
RESOURCES FOR MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES AND THEIR FAMILIES

The Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) and its boards and bureaus protect and serve California consumers through the licensure and regulation of 3.4 million licensees in diverse professions and occupations ranging from accountancy to medical, security guard to contractor, cemetery to veterinary, and more.

DCA recognizes that U.S. military members and their families possess valuable professional and occupational skills that are highly sought by California employers and consumers. The successful transition from U.S. military to civilian life or to a military base in California from another state is heavily reliant on DCA's efforts assisting U.S. military members and their families with obtaining professional licensure.

BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- Expedited application processing. Beginning July 1, 2024, DCA boards and bureaus will expedite the application process for current military members who are enrolled in the U.S. Department of Defense SkillBridge Program. For more information on the SkillBridge Program, visit <https://skillbridge.osd.mil/>.
- Expedited application processing and waiver of initial application and license fees of spouses and domestic partners of U.S. military members.
- Renewal waivers for U.S. military members on active-duty status. Renewal requirements waived may include renewal fees, continuing education requirements, and any other requirements as determined by the Board or Bureau.
- Temporary licensure for military spouses or domestic partners who are located in California due to military orders and licensed to practice in other states.
- Federal professional license portability and state registration. The federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA) authorizes U.S. military members or their spouses or domestic partners who currently hold an active license in good standing in another state to practice in California within the same profession or vocation, if they are required to relocate to California because of military orders. The State of California adopted a state registration process to help implement the license portability provisions of the SCRA.



For the complete eligibility requirements and additional information regarding benefits available to U.S. military members and their families, visit DCA's Military Member Resource page at www.dca.ca.gov/military, click the "Military Resources" button on DCA's homepage, or scan this code:

