



Guidance for Active Duty Military and Spouses Regarding Flexibility for Selecting Home State

To support members of the U.S. military and their spouses, the PT Compact provides active duty military and their spouses greater flexibility regarding the state they can designate as their home state for the purposes of meeting eligibility requirements. The home state flexibility will allow U.S. military members to more easily obtain compact privileges in circumstances that otherwise would make it difficult or impossible to take advantage of the provisions of the Compact.

How do I determine my home state if I am active duty military or a military spouse?

Alternatives to the home state definition for active duty military and military spouses are specified in the Commission's [model statute](#) and [rules](#). For the purposes of the PT Compact only, active duty military and military spouses may designate their home state as one of the following:

1. "Home of record" means the military personnel's State of Legal Residence on record with the military.
2. "Permanent Change of Station" or "PCS" means the state of the duty station noted in the active duty military personnel's PCS orders.
3. "State of current residence" means the state in which the active duty military personnel or spouse is currently physically residing.

The active duty military member or spouse of an individual who is active duty military may change the member state designated as the individual's home state by notifying the Commission.

What proof will I need to provide to demonstrate active military duty?

Documentation supporting your military status needs to be emailed to military@ptcompact.org. Acceptable documentation may include a copy of the military identification card or a copy of the current orders showing the PCS duty station.

Are fees waived for active duty military, military spouses, or veterans?

Some member states have chosen to waive their state fees for current members of the military and their spouses and veterans. Individuals who indicate they are active duty military, military spouses, or veterans and provide required proof will have the state fees waived in the states where it is applicable. There is no waiver of the Commission fee. A list of member states waiving fees is available on the fee schedule chart under [Resources and Tools](#).

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