

Title 38 United States Code Section 3679(e) School Compliance Form

As part of the Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2018, section 3679 of title 38, United States Code was amended, and educational institutions will be required to submit their policy detailing compliance with this law, by catalog or by addendum to an approved catalog, to the State Approving Agency (SAA).

Effective August 1, 2019, the State approving agency, or the Secretary when acting in the role of the State approving agency, shall disapprove a course of education provided by an educational institution that has in effect a policy that is inconsistent with the areas below:

NOTE: A Covered Individual is any individual who is entitled to educational assistance under chapter 31, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment, or chapter 33, Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits and who submits a VA Certificate of Eligibility to the enrolling institution.

- Your policy must permit any covered individual to attend or participate in the course of education, without financial or access penalty, during the period beginning on the date on which the individual provides to the educational institution a certificate of eligibility for entitlement to educational assistance under chapter 31 or 33. A “certificate of eligibility” may also include a “Statement of Benefits” obtained from the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs’ (VA) website – eBenefits, or a VAF 28-1905 form for chapter 31 authorization purposes. The period of time when the school may not assess a financial or access penalty against a covered individual ends on the earlier of the following dates:
 1. The date on which payment from VA is made to the institution.
 2. 90 days after the date the institution certified tuition and fees following the receipt of the certificate of eligibility.

Specifically, the school’s policy must ensure that your educational institution will not impose any penalty, including the assessment of late fees, the denial of access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities, or the requirement that a covered individual borrow additional funds, on any covered individual because of the individual’s inability to meet his or her financial obligations to the institution due to the delayed disbursement of funding from VA, under