

MFT Frequently Asked Questions

Supervision

1. Who is an approved supervisor?

Answer: An approved supervisor is a supervisor approved by the Board or a supervisor approved by AAMFT.

2. How do I find an approved supervisor?

Answer: Approved ABEMFT Supervisors can be found on the at www.mft.alabama.gov under the "Applicant" button. AAMFT supervisors can be found at www.aamft.org.

3. Can a Licensed Professional Counselor or another mental health professional be a case by case approved supervisor?

Answer: A case by case supervisor may be submitted to the Board for consideration prior to beginning supervision. If there is no approved supervisor or supervisor candidate available, the Board can approve supervision using the guidelines for case by case supervision under rules and regulations 536-X-4-.06.

Application

4. What are common reasons applications are delayed?

Answer: Applications are typically delayed because they are not completed correctly or not fully completed. Example: MFT 6 Supervision Form not submitted in a sealed envelope with supervisor's signature located across the sealed envelope.

5. How do I know if a Master's course fits the category listed on the application? Do you pre-approve courses?

Answer: A list of the Board course requirements can be found on the Board web site under the rules and regulations 536-X-5-.01. The Board does not pre-approve courses.

6. Will my application be accepted if I send it after the deadline, but before the meeting date?

Answer: No, all applications must be received by the Board by the application deadline. The application deadline is 2 weeks prior to the Board meeting.

7. Can I transfer my MFT license from another state to Alabama?

Answer: Alabama accepts LMFT endorsement applications as long as the other state the applicant is coming from meets or exceeds Alabama's requirements for licensure.

8. I've graduated from a MFT master's program, should I automatically meet the requirements on the application?

Answer: No, you must meet education requirements as well as supervision and intern hours.

9. Will the internship in my Master's program meet the qualifications for ABEMFT internship?

Answer: Only graduates from a COAMFTE program are guaranteed to meet the intern requirements.

CEU's

10. Can I apply for approval for CEU courses that are currently not covered in the acceptable CEU criteria?

Answer: The Board does not approve CEU courses. All CEU request must go through the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapist.

ALAMFT

11. What is the difference in ABEMFT and ALAMFT?

Answer: ABEMFT is the licensure board and their purpose is to protect the public. ALAMFT is the trade association and their purpose is to save the industry.

Licenses

12. How can I update my contact information if it has changed?

Answer: The change of information form can be found on the Board web site under the forms tab.

Fees

13. When and how do I submit application and new licensure fees?

Answer: The one-time non-refundable application review fee is due at the time the application is submitted. The new licensure fee is due at the time the Board approves your application (post date check to Board meeting date). All fees submitted must be made out to ABEMFT with check or money order only.