



Office of Certification Process for the Initial and Renewal of Coaching, Limited Football Trainer, and Athletic Trainer Authorizations

# Applicant User Guide

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The West Virginia Department of Education, Office of Certification have created this user guide, in conjunction with West Virginia Interactive for your reference.

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# **Certification Registration**

Each applicant must first register with the Certification Portal to connect their certification records with their Single Signon Account (SSO)/Webtop Account. A Webtop account (SSO) is assigned to all full-time county school employees. If you are not a full-time employee, please follow the steps below to create one.

### For applicants whom do not have a SSO account:

The registration process will assist you in creating your SSO account. A valid email address is required when creating a SSO account. Applicants who are currently employed in a WV School System should already have a SSO account/Webtop account through their district. Applicants will need the SSO username and password to register and log in.

From the Certification Portal home page (<a href="https://wveis.k12.wv.us/certportal/">https://wveis.k12.wv.us/certportal/</a>), click the "Register" button to start the certification portal registration process.



The registration process will ask you several questions to determine if you have a West Virginia Department of Education certification record. If you are not in the system, the process will assist you in creating your certification record. If the system locates certification records for you, it will display basic account information for verification.

The last step in the registration process is to either create a SSO user account or locate your current SSO account.

Once you have completed the registration process you can log into the Certification Portal and submit your application.



You have successfully complete registering for a Certification Portal Account.

Reminder: If during your registration process you were required to create a webtop account, an email has been sent to your email address that requires you to click on the activation link in the email to complete the webtop verification process. This must be done before you can log into the certification portal.

Login

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# **Applicant Dashboard**



The applicant dashboard consists of two sections, Applications and Credentials.

# **Applications**

# **Pending Applications**

Displays all pending coaching renewal applications submitted by the user. As you can see in *Figure 1*, no pending application(s) currently exist.

# **View Recent Application History**

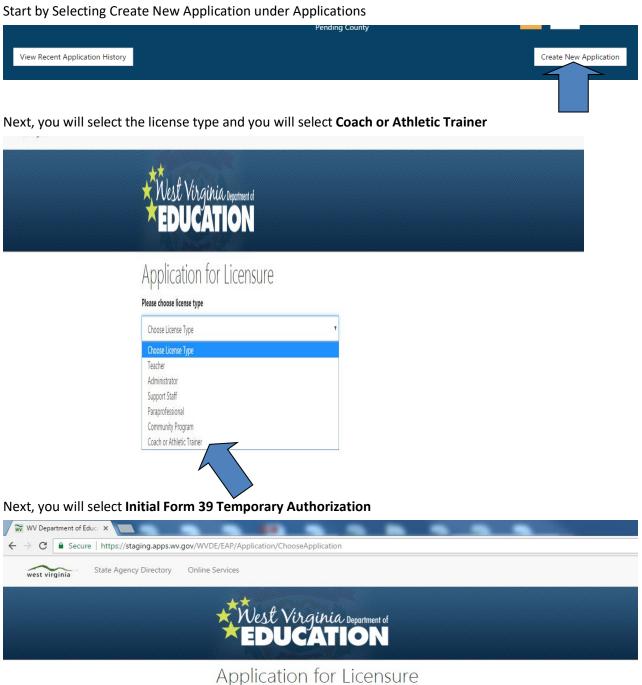
View previously submitted applications.

## **Credentials**

## Certificates

Displays the credentials the user currently has on file with the WVDE. All credentials that have the button beside it may be renewed using the new online process.

# Applying for an Initial Authorization for Coach, Limited Football Trainer, or Athletic Trainer

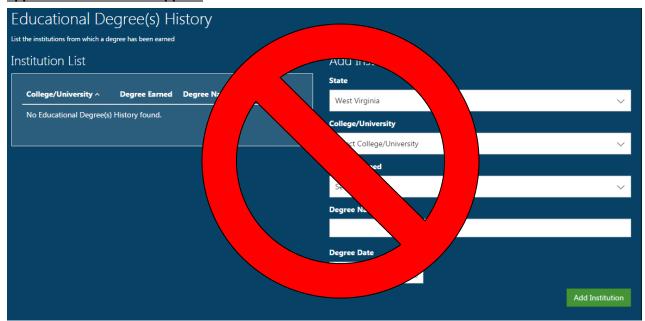


# Application for Licensure Please choose license type

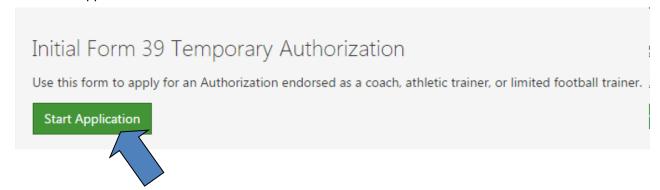
Next, you will answer your U.S. Citizenship question



Next, is the section asking about Educational Degree History and <u>this information is not required for this application and can be skipped.</u>

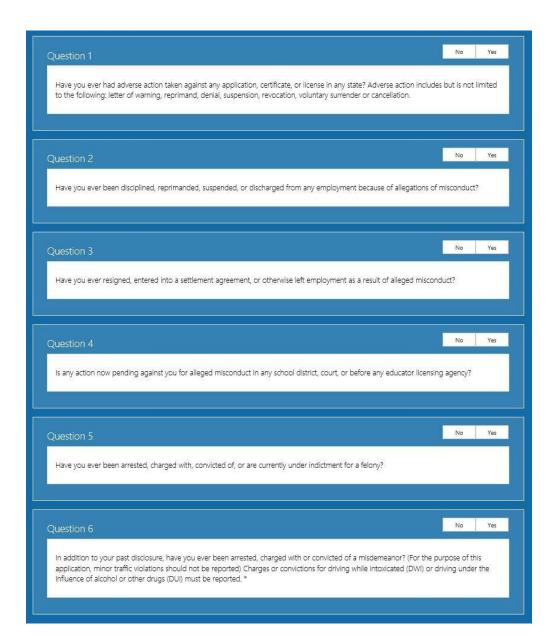


### **Click Start Application**

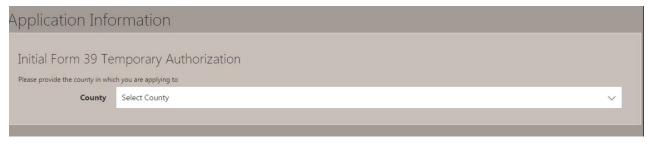


# **Legal Disclosures**

Applicants are required to report all background information even if the disclosure was mailed to the WVDE as part of a previous submission. Please select **"Yes"** or **"No"** to every question.

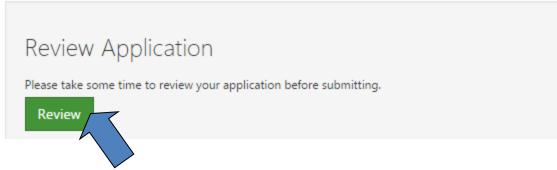


Select the county that is going to employ them as a coach, limited football trainer, or athletic trainer.



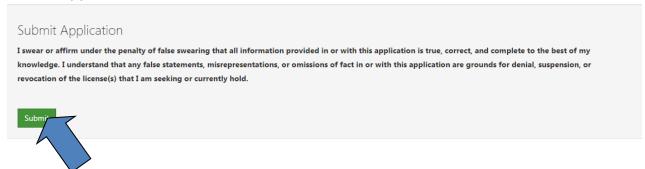
The applicant is now asked to click Review Application and read the information that is being submitted on the application.

# Review



The next step is to scroll back down the page after reviewing the information and click SUBMIT and the application will then be submitted to the county office for approval.

# Submit Application



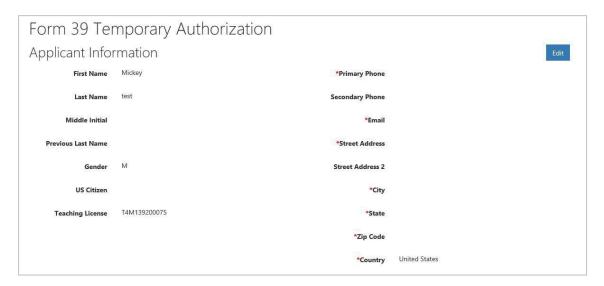
For the explanation of the process after you click submit, please scroll down to Page 12.

# **Renewing a Credential**

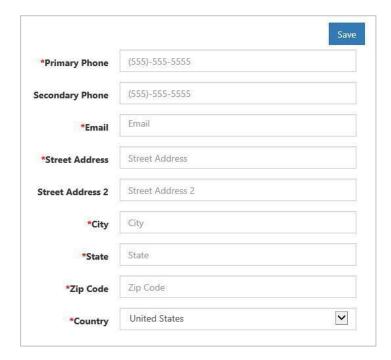
Clicking on the Renew buttonstarts the renewal process.

# **Applicant Information**

The applicant is required to provide all information designated with a red asterisk. Click the on top right hand corner of the screen to add your information.

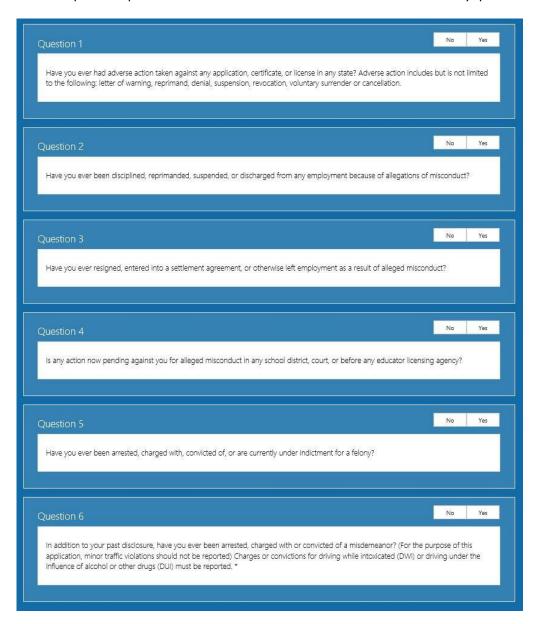


Once all required information has been entered, click the Save to continue completing the application.

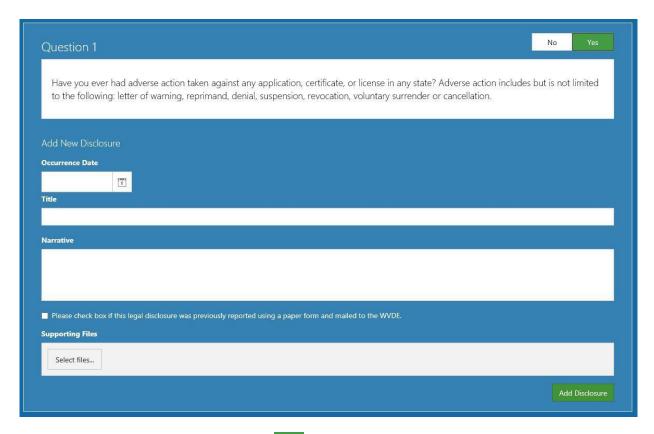


# **Legal Disclosures**

Applicants are required to report all background information even if the disclosure was mailed to the WVDE as part of a previous submission. Please select "Yes" or "No" to every question.



Selecting "Yes" requires you, the applicant, to complete a series of questions regarding the legal disclosure.



The example legal disclosure above shows Yes for Question 1. The Occurrence Date, Title, Narrative, Previously Reported and Supporting Files are required for in order to add the disclosure.

You should click the checkbox if the disclosure was previously reported to the WVDE prior to the new online system becoming available. Previously reported legal disclosures do not require supporting files to be uploaded. You **must** upload all applicable documentation If the disclosure was not previously reported.

Clicking the Select files... button allows you to upload documentation, which will be submitted to the WVDE along with the remainder of the application.

Once all your information has been entered and files uploaded, click the Add Disclosure button to add the legal disclosure.

Once added, you will see the View Disclosure Details button allowing you to view and edit the legal disclosure prior to submitting for approval.



Please note, you may not edit or delete a legal disclosure once it has been submitted for approval.



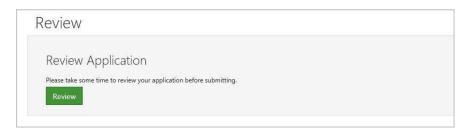
# **Selecting County**

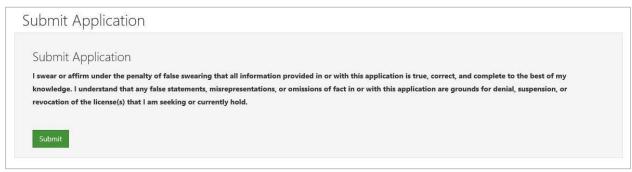
Please select from the dropdown list the county that is employing you for the coaching or trainer authorization.



# **Reviewing Application**

Once all of the required information has been entered, click the **Review** button to review your application and make any needed changes prior to submitting for approval.

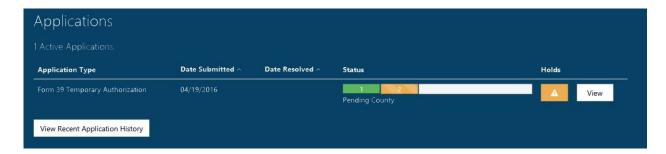




If all the information is correct, click the submit to submit to your county superintendent for approval.

# **Approval Process**

Once you have submitted your coaching renewal application to the county superintendent for approval, you will notice that your status has changed from "Not Submitted" to "Pending County" and you also have the addition of a "Holds" button.



Clicking the button allows you to view any holds placed on the application. You will notice in the picture above that a hold has been placed on the application letting you know it is pending county superintendent approval.



The "Hold Date" column states when the hold was placed on the application and the "Resolved" column lets you know when the hold was removed. Clicking the View allows you to view the submitted application, but you will be unable to make any changes while the application is under review.

Now that you have submitted your coaching renewal application for approval, the application can either be approved, denied or sent back by the approving county.

# **Approved**

If your application has been approved, you will receive an email informing you of such and you that you must now login to your dashboard to pay for any fees associated with the application. The picture below shows an example of an application that has been approved by the county and is pending payment.



### Pay Now

Clicking the button adds the application to the cart and directs you to the Application Cart page.

### **Payment Process**

The Application Cart Page includes the application type, date submitted and fee amount for the application you are making a payment. As additional credentials become available to apply or renew online, you will have the ability to pay for multiple applications simultaneously.



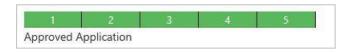
Figure 15

Click the Checkout button to continue the payment process.



Once payment has been made, you will notice in *the* figure below that once again the status for the application has changed. Your Application has now been sent to the WVDE for approval.

If approved, you will once again receive an email stating that your application has been approved by the WVDE and the renewal process is complete. The next time you access your dashboard, you will now see a status of "Approved Application".



### **Denied**

All denied applications will show a status of denied and by whom. The example in *Figure 17* shows an application that was denied by the county.



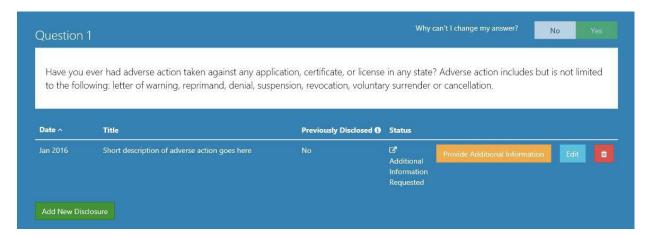
### **Sent Back**

There will be times where the approving entity cannot approve your application due to the fact additional information is required. The applicant to allow you to make the necessary changes requested can now edit all applications that have been sent back. *Figure 18* shows an application that has been sent back by the county because more information is needed regarding a legal disclosure.



Click the View button to determine what changes are required.

As you can see below, Question 1 of the legal disclosures section requires more information. You may now either edit the application by clicking the button and/or provide an additional narrative and upload files by clicking the rovide Additional information button.



Congratulations, you now have a basic understanding of how to complete a coaching renewal application online. If you require further assistance, please contact the WVDE, Office of Certification at 304-558-7010.