

Temporary Permits for PT New Graduates in 2026						
Temp Permit Issued	Exam Date	Temp Permit Expiration: Next Exam Date	Temp Permit Expiration: 90 days	Temp Permit Expiration: Next Board Meeting	Temp Permit Expiration: If the applicant doesn't take scheduled exam	License Issue Date with Passing Score on Exam & Final Transcript
Dec. 2025-Feb. 5, 2026	Jan. 27-28	N/A	April 28* or	Feb 5*	Jan. 28	**Feb. 5 or 19
Dec. 2025-Jan. 28, 2026	April 28-29	Jan. 28	N/A	N/A	N/A	**May 6 or 21
Jan. 29-May 6	April 28-29	N/A	July 28* or	May 6*	April 29	**May 6 or 21
Jan. 29-April 29	July 28-29	April 29	N/A	N/A	N/A	**Aug. 6 or 20
April 30-Aug.6	July 28-29	N/A	Oct. 27* or	Aug. 6*	July 29	**Aug. 6 or 20
April 30-July 29	Oct. 27-28	July 29	N/A	N/A	N/A	**Nov. 4 or 19
July 30-Nov. 4	Oct. 27-28	N/A	Jan. 26, 2027* or	Nov. 4*	Oct. 28	**Nov. 4 or 19

***The Temporary Permit Expiration Date is whichever date occurs first.** Board meetings are scheduled however there is always a remote possibility of a cancellation or postponement of the meeting. NOTE: If the applicant fails the exam then the Temporary Permit expiration date will be changed by operation of statute when the application is reviewed at the next Board meeting. Shaded rows show the uninterrupted temporary permit to licensure routes, assuming the application achieves a passing score on the NPTE.

****PT Board meeting date.** Applicants who answer “yes” to a question on their application or provide incomplete information must be reviewed by the Licensure Committee and Board at a PT Board meeting.

The practice of physical therapy by an applicant after the Temporary Permit expiration date has been changed by operation of statute will be considered to be unlicensed practice and subject to possible disciplinary action under MS 148.75 (a)(1), (18), and 148.76, Subd. 1, (1).

148.71 TEMPORARY PERMITS.

Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 2007 c 123 s 137]

Subd. 2. **Issuance.** (a) The board may, upon completion of the application prescribed by the board and payment of a fee set by the board, issue a temporary permit to practice physical therapy under supervision to an applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant who meets the educational requirements of section 148.721 or 148.722 and qualified for admission to examination for licensing as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant. A temporary permit may be issued only once and cannot be renewed. It expires 90 days after the next examination for licensing given by the board or on the date on which the board, after examination of the applicant, grants or denies the applicant a license to practice, whichever occurs first. A temporary permit expires on the first day the board begins its next examination for license after the permit is issued if the holder does not submit to examination on that date. The holder of a temporary permit to practice under supervision may practice physical therapy as defined in section 148.65 if the entire practice is under the supervision of a person holding a valid license to practice physical therapy in this state. The supervision shall be direct, immediate, and on premises.

(b) An applicant from another state who is licensed or otherwise registered in good standing as a physical therapist by that state and meets the requirements for licensing under section 148.721 does not require supervision to practice physical therapy while holding a temporary permit in this state. The temporary permit remains valid only until the meeting of the board at which the application for licensing is considered.