

Dislocated Worker and Federal Adult Programs (DWFAP)

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TO: Requester

FROM: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) DWFAP Unit

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SUBJECT: Selective Service Registration and Status Information Letter (SIL) Interim Guidance

1. Purpose

To provide interim guidance regarding SIL and meeting DWFAP's Selective Service Registration Policy requirements, due to recent updates to the Selective Service System

1. Action Requested

Please carefully review this TAR Letter for its guidance and utilize it as appropriate.

2. Relevant Laws, Policies and References

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) (42 USC 3101 et seq)

Military Selective Service Act (MSSA) (50 USC 3801 et seq)

[Training and Employment Guidance Letter \(TEGL\) 11-11, Change 2](#) (May 16, 2012)

3. Changes to DWFAP Advisories

None

4. Summary and Background

Guidance was requested on how providers should navigate recent changes to the [Selective Service System's](#) discontinuation of SILs. In a [frequently asked questions \(FAQ\) post](#) (see Figure One below) it was announced that as of June 30, 2026 the Selective Service System will no longer issue SILs to individuals looking to confirm their Selective Service registration status. This TAR Letter provides interim guidance regarding SILs and meeting [DWFAP's Selective Service Registration Policy](#) requirements while changes to DWFAP's policy are being made.

Figure One: Screenshot of Selective Service System FAQ

Do you provide status letters for people who did not register for Selective Service?

As of June 30, 2026, the Selective Service System no longer issues status letters (status information letters). Men can check whether they are registered by visiting www.sss.gov/verify/. Men who are not registered can consult the requirements table located at [Who Needs to Register : Selective Service System](#). If you are requesting a benefit or employment that requires registration, the decision to provide any right, privilege or benefit (including jobs) is made by the agency, school, or organization receiving the request. You may want to include with your application to your benefit provider a copy of the requirements table and any other pertinent information or documentation to support your situation (i.e., entered the United States after age 26). Selective Service cannot determine benefit eligibility.

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5. Guidance and Reminders for the Field

See below for guidance and reminders for field:

- Providers can continue to enroll WIOA Adult and WIOA Dislocated Worker (DW) participants as appropriate,
- Providers must continue to verify and document WIOA participants' Selective Service registration (if applicable),
- The State DW Program does not have a Selective Service registration requirement,
- If Selective Service registration/documentation cannot be verified providers should consider enrollment into the State DW program if participants meet State DW eligibility requirements.

6. Verifying and Documenting Selective Service Registration

Providers must continue to verify and document WIOA participants' Selective Service registration. This remains a requirement of WIOA, [Training and Employment Gudiacne Letter 11-11, Change 2](#) (May 16, 2012), and [DWFAP's Selective Service Registration Policy](#) for WIOA Adult, WIOA DW and National DW grant participants.

Providers must ensure Selective Service Registration prior to enrollment:

- If Selective Service registration was/is required (Male, ages 18-25), document that [registration](#) was completed, or,
- If Selective Service registration was required but the individual failed to register, and that the failure to register was not knowing and willful, complete the [Selective Service Registration Waiver Information and Request Form](#),
- Documentation showing that an individual (Male, ages 18-25) is exempt from registration.

See [DEED's Selective Service Registration Policy](#) (Pages Four, Five, and Six) for the acceptable documentation providers must use. Note that self-attestation of Selective Service registration/compliance is not an acceptable documentation ([DEED's Selective Service Registration Policy](#) Page Four). Providers can also [verify registration](#) on the Selective Service System's website.

7. Documentation Showing Exemption from Registration for Immigrants and Nonimmigrants

Providers and immigrants/nonimmigrants that need to document exemption from Selective Service registration can use the [Selective Service System's List of Acceptable Documentation](#) for a list of documents to prove they are exempt from registration. Providers can also use the [U.S. Customs and Border Protection's I-94/I-95 website](#) for assistance in finding and documenting I-94 forms and dates of entry into the U.S. If an immigrant/nonimmigrant above age of 26 previously traveled to/entered the U.S. and needed to register for Selective Service but did not, they can complete the [Selective Service Registration Waiver Information and Request Form](#).

8. Status Information Letter (SIL) and Starting Services Clarification

[DEED's Selective Service Registration Policy](#) (Page Three) currently allows providers to begin services for participants while they are awaiting a SIL (they could take up to 90 days). Because the SIL is no longer available and cannot be requested that part of [DWFAP's Selective Service Registration Policy](#) is now not applicable. Providers can no longer provide services to

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participants awaiting Selective Service registration verification. Providers must determine Selective Service registration requirements and confirmation prior to enrollment and cannot provide services until Selective Service registration status is documented (either proof of registration, proof they are not required to register or a completed [Selective Service Registration Waiver Information and Request Form](#) showing that failure to register was not knowing and willful).

9. Selective Service Registration Waiver Information and Request Form Clarification

The use of the [Selective Service Registration Waiver Information and Request Form](#) is only for individuals above age 26 who were required to register, failed to register, and whose failure to register was not knowing and willful. It cannot be used by:

- Males between ages 18-25 who must register but don't want to ([registration](#) is accepted up to age 26),
- Males between ages 18-25 who are registered but don't wish to provide proof of registration, and,
- Males between ages 18-25 who do not have to register but don't wish to provide proof that they are exempt from registration.

10. Selective Service Registration Policy Updates

The [Selective Service Registration Policy](#) is being updated to incorporate the recent Selective Service System changes. This TAR Letter provides interim guidance while those changes are being done. When DEED's policy changes take effect this TAR Letter will be canceled.

11. Inquiries

Questions about this TAR Letter should be directed to the DWFAP email:

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12. Attachments

None

13. Advisory History

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