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Religious Society:	
Qualifications and Requirements	Necessary Documentation
Must be organized primarily for religious purposes.	<p>A signed and dated copy of the most recent version of all of the organization's organizing instrument(s);</p> <p>Or</p> <p>A copy of the page from the applicant's parent organization religious directory that lists the applicant organization's information.</p> <p>The name of the applicant organization must match the name of the organization on the documents submitted.</p>
Must have been organized in Texas for at least three years.	<p>A copy of a listing in a publication such as a national roster or newspaper article naming the organization;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>A letter or other document provided or issued to the applicant from a government agency.</p> <p>The documents submitted must reflect the applicant's name, Texas address, and establish at least three years of existence.</p>
Must demonstrate that the organization has made significant progress toward the accomplishment of its purposes during the <u>24</u> [12] months preceding the date of application.	<p>At least three (3) different types of acceptable documents as proof that organization was continuously engaged in furthering its charitable purpose for the time period beginning <u>two years</u> [one year] prior to the date the application was signed. Examples of acceptable documentation include copies of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. a letter from the diocese, 2. notices of church services, and/or church bulletins, 3. canceled checks for clergy salaries, religious books, materials and/or supplies, maintenance of religious building(s), and 4. records of marriages performed, or records of funerals performed. <p>To establish the beginning date, an organization may submit documentation dated up to three months prior to the <u>two years</u> [year] before the application was signed in order to prove that the organization has been continuously</p>

	<p>engaged in furthering its charitable purpose throughout the past <u>twenty-four (24)</u> [twelve] months.</p> <p>All documents must be dated and indicate the name of the organization.</p>
<p>Must appoint only the organization's members to serve as operators for the organization.</p>	<p>A current membership list with all officers and directors noted. Officers would include a priest, pastor, rabbi, or other head of the church.</p> <p>Membership list will be compared to persons listed on the application to confirm that only members have been named as operators.</p>
<p>Must ensure that none of the organization's officers, directors and operators have been convicted in any jurisdiction of a gambling or gambling-related offense; and have not been convicted of a criminal fraud offense, with the exception of a criminal fraud offense that is a Class C misdemeanor.</p>	<p>A signed and dated copy of the most recent version of all of the organization's organizing instruments(s) that list the officer and director positions;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>If officers and/or directors are not listed in organizing instruments, a current membership list identifying officers and directors.</p> <p>If officer and/or director positions are unfilled, a statement signed by an officer indicating which positions are vacant.</p> <p>The Commission will compare the number of officers and directors included in the documents to the application to ensure all officers and directors have been disclosed.</p> <p>The Department of Public Safety will conduct a criminal history check on all officers, directors, and operators.</p> <p>Any officer, director, or operator not meeting the criminal history background requirement must resign before a license may be issued.</p>
<p>Section 2001.102 License Application Requirements.</p>	<p>Most recent copy of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 990 if organization is required to file it with the IRS.</p> <p>Indicate on application if organization is not required to file Form 990;</p> <p>And</p> <p>If the organization is organized under the law of this state, the organization must be in good standing with the Secretary of State (SOS). The Commission will request additional documentation from the applicant if unable to validate good standing directly with the SOS.</p>
<p>Non-Profit Medical Organization:</p>	

Qualifications and Requirements	Necessary Documentation
Main activities must be in support of medical research or treatment programs.	<p>A signed and dated copy of the most recent version of all of the organization's organizing instruments.</p> <p>The name of the applicant organization must match the name of the organization on the organizing instruments.</p>
Must have had a governing body or officers elected by the vote of the members or delegates elected by the members for at least three years.	<p>Copies of meeting minutes recording officer elections for three years showing the date of each meeting and signature of an officer;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>A dated list of officers and positions held for three years.</p> <p>A statement signed by an officer indicating which positions were left open if the organization had positions defined in organizing instrument(s) that the organization did not fill.</p> <p>Organizing instrument(s) will be reviewed to ensure that the organization has members who elect officers and to confirm the officer positions.</p>
Must have been affiliated with a state or national organization organized to perform the same purposes for at least three years.	<p>Verification by Parent for Charitable Organization Conductor;</p> <p>And</p> <p>A copy of a listing in a publication such as a national roster or newspaper article naming the organization or a letter or other document provided or issued to the applicant from a government agency.</p> <p>The document submitted must reflect the applicant's name, Texas address, and establish the date the organization was founded and at least three years of existence.</p>
Must hold a valid 501(c) exemption through the Internal Revenue Service.	<p>If the Commission is unable to validate directly with the Internal Revenue Service that the organization has a 501(c) designation, the Commission will request additional documentation from the applicant.</p>
May not distribute any income to members, officers, or governing body except as	<p>Most recent copy of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 990 if organization is required to file it with the IRS.</p> <p>Indicate on application if organization is not required to file Form 990.</p> <p>A signed and dated copy of the most recent version of all of the organization's organizing instruments.</p>

reasonable compensation for services.	
Must demonstrate significant progress toward the accomplishment of the organization's purposes during the <u>24</u> [12] months preceding the date of application.	<p>At least three (3) different types of acceptable documents as proof that organization was engaged in furthering its charitable purpose for the time period beginning <u>two years</u> [one year] prior to the date the application was signed.</p> <p>Acceptable documentation may include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. canceled checks in support of medical treatment or research programs, i.e., American Cancer Society, Muscular Dystrophy Association, or other recognized organizations dedicated to the elimination of disease; 2. canceled checks for the purchase of medical equipment or to provide medical care for the needy; 3. letters of appreciation from individuals or organizations receiving benefits for treatment; 4. IRS Form 990; and 5. newspaper articles. <p>To establish the beginning date, an organization may submit documentation dated up to three months prior to the <u>two years</u> [year] before the application was signed in order to prove that the organization has been engaged in furthering its charitable purposes throughout the past <u>twenty-four (24)</u> [twelve] months.</p> <p>All documents must be dated and indicate the name of the organization.</p>
May appoint only the organization's members to serve as operators.	A current membership list with officers and directors noted. Membership list will be compared to the persons listed on the application to confirm that only members have been named as operators.
Must ensure that none of the organization's officers, directors and operators have been convicted in any jurisdiction of a gambling or gambling-related	<p>A signed and dated copy of the most recent version of all of the organization's organizing instruments that list the officer and director positions;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>If officers and/or directors are not listed in organizing instruments, a current membership list identifying officers and directors.</p>

<p>offense; and have not been convicted of a criminal fraud offense, with the exception of a criminal fraud offense that is a Class C misdemeanor.</p>	<p>If officer and/or director positions are unfilled, a statement signed by an officer indicating which positions are vacant.</p> <p>The Commission will compare the number of officers and directors included in the documents to the application to ensure all officers and directors have been disclosed.</p> <p>The Department of Public Safety will conduct a criminal history check on all officers, directors, and operators.</p> <p>Any officer, director, or operator not meeting the criminal history background requirement must resign before a license may be issued.</p>
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Volunteer Fire Department:

<p>Qualifications and Requirements</p>	<p>Necessary Documentation</p>
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<p>Organized primarily to provide fire-fighting services.</p>	<p>Proof of membership in a professional fire-fighting organization;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Copy of a publication that lists the organization and its phone number to call in case of fire;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>A letter from a local government agency recognizing the organization as a volunteer fire department;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>A copy of all organizing instrument(s) which list this purpose for the organization;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>A dated newspaper article which details the organization's activities.</p> <p>The name of the applicant organization must match the name of the applicant on the documents submitted.</p>
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<p>Must have been organized in Texas for at least three years.</p>	<p>A copy of a listing in a publication such as a national roster or newspaper article naming the organization;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>A letter or other document provided or issued to the applicant from a government agency.</p> <p>The document submitted must reflect the applicant's name, Texas address, and establish the date the organization was founded and at least three years of existence.</p>
<p>Must operate fire-fighting equipment.</p>	<p>Pictures of fire equipment reflecting the name of the volunteer fire department;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Copies of canceled checks or invoices for fire-fighting equipment.</p>
<p>May not pay members other than nominal compensation.</p>	<p>Most recent copy of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 990 if organization is required to file it with the IRS.</p> <p>Indicate on application if organization is not required to file Form 990.</p> <p>If not required to file Form 990, a copy of a volunteer fire fighter application;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Copy of an organizing instrument that describes compensation of members.</p>
<p>Must demonstrate significant progress toward the accomplishment of the organization's purposes during the <u>24</u> [12] months preceding the date of application.</p>	<p>Call List which shows the type of incident and location for the <u>24-month</u> [12 month] period prior to the date the application was signed.</p>
<p>May appoint only the organization's</p>	<p>Current membership list with all officers and directors noted.</p>

members to serve as operators.	Membership list will be compared to the persons listed on application to confirm that only members have been named as operators.
Must ensure that none of the organization's officers, directors and operators have been convicted in any jurisdiction of a gambling or gambling-related offense; and have not been convicted of a criminal fraud offense, with the exception of a criminal fraud offense that is a Class C misdemeanor.	<p>A signed and dated copy of the most recent version of all of the organization's organizing instruments that list the officer and director positions;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>If officers and/or directors are not listed in organizing instruments, a current membership list identifying officers and directors.</p> <p>If officer and/or director positions are unfilled, a statement signed by an officer indicating which positions are vacant.</p> <p>The Commission will compare the number of officers and directors included in the documents to the application to ensure all officers and directors have been disclosed.</p> <p>The Department of Public Safety will conduct a criminal history check on all officers, directors and operators.</p> <p>Any officer, director, or operator not meeting the criminal history background requirement must resign before a license may be issued.</p>
Section 2001.102 License Application Requirements.	<p>A signed copy of the applicant organization's organizing instruments, including any bylaws, constitution, charter, and articles of incorporation.</p> <p>If the organization is organized under the law of this state the organization must be in good standing with the Secretary of State (SOS). The Commission will request additional documentation from the applicant if unable to validate good standing directly with the SOS.</p>
Veteran Organization:	
Qualifications and Requirements	Necessary Documentation
Must be an unincorporated association or corporation.	<p>A signed copy of the organization's organizing instruments, including any bylaws, constitution, charter, and articles of incorporation.</p> <p>The name of the applicant organization must match the name of the organization on the organizing instruments.</p>
Must hold a valid 501(c) exemption through the	If the Commission is unable to validate directly with the Internal Revenue Service that the organization has a 501(c) designation, the Commission will request additional documentation from the applicant.

Internal Revenue Service.	Verification by Parent for Charitable Organization Conductor.
Must have been organized in Texas for at least three years.	<p>A copy of a listing in a publication such as a national roster or newspaper article naming the organization;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>A letter or other document provided or issued to the applicant from a government agency.</p> <p>The document submitted must reflect the applicant's name, Texas Address, and either be dated three years before the application date or establish the date the organization as founded.</p>
May not distribute any income to members, officers, or governing body except as reasonable compensation for services.	<p>Most recent copy of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 990 if organization is required to file it with the IRS.</p> <p>Indicate on application if organization is not required to file Form 990.</p>
Members must be veterans or dependents of veterans of the United States armed forces.	Verification by Parent for Charitable Organization Conductor.
Must be chartered by the United States Congress.	The Commission will review the list of chartered veteran organizations maintained by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs. Its website link is: http://www1.va.gov/vso/index.cfm?template=view .
Must be organized to advance the interest of veterans or active duty personnel of the US armed forces and their dependents.	<p>A signed and dated copy of the applicant organization's organizing instruments, including any bylaws, constitution, charter, and articles of incorporation.</p> <p>The name of the applicant organization must match the name of the organization on the organizing instruments.</p>
Must demonstrate	At least three (3) different types of acceptable documents

<p>significant progress toward the accomplishment of the organization's purposes during the 24 [12] months preceding the date of application.</p>	<p>as proof that organization was engaged in furthering its charitable purpose for the time period beginning <u>two years</u> [one year] prior to the date the application was signed. Examples of acceptable documentation include copies of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. activity reports filed with the state and/or national organization, 2. monetary donations to Veterans Administration (VA) hospitals, 3. letters of appreciation from veterans and/or organizations receiving benefits, 4. support of and/or contributions to veterans' funerals and/or their families, 5. visits to veteran's hospitals, 6. newspaper articles, and 7. Form 990. <p>To establish the beginning date, an organization may submit documentation dated up to three months prior to the <u>two years</u> [year] before the application was signed in order to prove that the organization has been engaged in furthering its charitable purpose throughout the past <u>twenty-four (24)</u> [twelve] months.</p> <p>All documents must be dated and indicate the name of the organization.</p>
<p>May appoint only the organization's members to serve as operators.</p>	<p>A current membership list with all officers and directors noted. Membership list will be compared to the persons listed on the application to confirm that only members have been named as operators.</p>
<p>Must ensure that none of the organization's officers, directors and operators have been convicted in any jurisdiction of a gambling or gambling-related offense; and have not been convicted of a criminal fraud offense, with the</p>	<p>A signed copy of the applicant organization's organizing instruments, including any bylaws, constitution, charter, and articles of incorporation that list the officer and director positions;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>If officers and/or directors are not listed in organizing instruments, a current membership list identifying officers and directors.</p> <p>If officer and/or director positions are unfilled, a statement signed by an officer indicating which positions are vacant.</p> <p>The Commission will compare the number of officers and directors included in the documents to the application to ensure all officers have been disclosed.</p>

exception of a criminal fraud offense that is a Class C misdemeanor.	The Department of Public Safety will conduct a criminal history check on all officers, directors and operators. Any officer, director, or operator not meeting the criminal history background requirement must resign before a license may be issued.
Section 2001.102 License Application Requirements.	If the organization is organized under the law of this state, the organization must be in good standing with the Secretary of State (SOS). The Commission will request additional documentation from the applicant if unable to validate good standing directly with the SOS.
Fraternal Organization:	
Qualifications and Requirements	Necessary Documentation
Must be an Unincorporated Association or Corporation.	A signed copy of the applicant organization's organizing instruments, including any bylaws, constitution, charter, and articles of incorporation. The name of the applicant organization must match the name of the organization on the organizing instruments.
Must be organized to perform and engage in charitable work.	A signed copy of the applicant organization's organizing instruments, including any bylaws, constitution, charter, and articles of incorporation. The name of the applicant organization must match the name of the organization on the organizing instruments.
Must hold a valid 501(c) exemption through the Internal Revenue Service.	If the Commission is unable to validate directly with the Internal Revenue Service that the organization has a 501(c) designation, the Commission will request additional documentation from the applicant; Or Verification by Parent for Charitable Organization Conductor if affiliated with a state or national organization.
May not distribute any income to members, officers, or governing body except as reasonable compensation.	Most recent copy of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 990 if organization is required to file it with the IRS. Indicate on application if organization is not required to file Form 990. A signed copy of the applicant organization's organizing instruments, including any bylaws, constitution, charter, and articles of incorporation.
Must have been organized in Texas for at least three years.	A copy of a listing in a publication such as a national roster or newspaper article if not affiliated with a state or national organization;

	<p>Or</p> <p>A letter or other document provided or issued to the applicant from a government agency. The document submitted to confirm the requirement must reflect organization's name, Texas address, and be either dated prior to the three year period or establish the date the organization was founded.</p>
Must have a bona fide membership.	Current membership list with all officers and directors noted.
Membership actively and continuously engaged in furthering its authorized purposes for the past three years.	<p>Organizing instrument(s) describing the organization's purposes.</p> <p>Copies of minutes from three annual membership meetings reflecting that the organization voted on the election of officers and reported on matters related to furthering the organization's purpose.</p> <p>Collectively, the three meeting minutes must encompass a (36) thirty-six month period (<u>i.e.</u> one per year).</p> <p>The meeting minutes must be dated and signed by an officer of the organization.</p>
May not authorize or support a public office candidate.	Organizing instrument(s) reflecting that organization has not authorized support or opposition of a public office candidate.
Must demonstrate significant progress toward the accomplishment of the organization's purposes during the <u>24</u> [12] months preceding the date of application.	<p>At least three (3) different types of acceptable documents as proof that organization was engaged in furthering its charitable purpose for the time period beginning <u>two years</u> [one year] prior to the date the application was signed.</p> <p>Examples of acceptable documentation include copies of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. canceled checks, 2. newspaper articles, 3. brochures, 4. receipts, 5. meeting minutes, and 6. IRS Form 990. <p>All documents must be dated and indicate the organization's name.</p> <p>To establish the beginning date, an organization may submit documentation dated up to three months prior to the <u>two years</u> [year] before the application was signed in order to prove that the organization has been engaged in furthering its charitable purposes throughout the past twenty-four [twelve] months.</p>

May appoint only the organization's members to serve as operators.	A current membership list with all officers and directors noted. Membership list will be compared to the persons listed on the application to confirm that only members have been named as operators.
Must ensure that none of the organization's officers, directors and operators have been convicted in any jurisdiction of a gambling or gambling-related offense; and have not been convicted of a criminal fraud offense, with the exception of a criminal fraud offense that is a Class C misdemeanor.	<p>A signed copy of the applicant organization's organizing instruments, including any bylaws, constitution, charter, and articles of incorporation that list the officer and director positions;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>If officers and/or directors are not listed in organizing instruments, a current membership list identifying officers and directors.</p> <p>If officer and/or director positions are unfilled, a statement signed by an officer indicating which positions are vacant.</p> <p>The Commission will compare the number of officers and directors included in the documents to the application to ensure all officers and directors have been disclosed. The Department of Public Safety will conduct a criminal history check on all officers, directors and operators.</p> <p>Any officer, director, or operator not meeting the criminal history background requirement must resign before a license may be issued.</p>
Section 2001.102 License Application Requirements.	If the organization is organized under the law of this state, the organization must be in good standing with the Secretary of State (SOS). The Commission will request additional documentation from the applicant if unable to validate good standing directly with the SOS.
Volunteer Emergency Medical Services Provider:	
Qualifications and Requirements	Necessary Documentation
Must have been organized in Texas for at least three years.	<p>A copy of a listing in a publication such as a national roster or newspaper article naming the organization;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>A letter or other document provided or issued to the applicant from a government agency.</p> <p>The document submitted must reflect the applicant's name, Texas address, and either be dated three years before the application date or establish the date the organization was founded.</p>

<p>Must demonstrate that the organization has made significant progress toward the accomplishment of its purposes during the <u>24</u> [12] months preceding the date of application.</p>	<p>A Call List which shows the type of incident and location for the <u>24-month</u> [12-month] period prior to the date the application was signed.</p>
<p>Must appoint only the organization's members to serve as operators for the organization.</p>	<p>A current membership list with all officers and directors noted. Membership list will be compared to the persons listed on the application to confirm that only members have been named as operators.</p>
<p>Must ensure that none of the organization's officers, directors and operators have been convicted in any jurisdiction of a gambling or gambling-related offense; and have not been convicted of a criminal fraud offense, with the exception of a criminal fraud offense that is a Class C misdemeanor.</p>	<p>A signed copy of the applicant organization's organizing instruments, including any bylaws, constitution, charter, and articles of incorporation, that list the officer and director positions;</p> <p>Or</p> <p>If officers and/or directors are not listed in organizing instruments, a current membership list identifying officers and directors.</p> <p>If officer and/or director positions are unfilled, a statement signed by an officer indicating which positions are vacant.</p> <p>The Commission will compare the number of officers and directors included in the documents to the application to ensure all officers and directors have been disclosed.</p> <p>The Department of Public Safety will conduct a criminal history check on all officers, directors and operators.</p> <p>Any officer, director or operator not meeting the criminal history background requirement must resign before a license may be issued.</p>
<p>Section 2001.102 License Application Requirements.</p>	<p>Most recent copy of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 990 if organization is required to file it with the IRS.</p> <p>Indicate on application if organization is not required to file Form 990;</p>

And

A signed copy of the applicant organization's organizing instruments, including any bylaws, constitution, charter, and articles of incorporation;

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If the organization is organized under the law of this state the organization must be in good standing with the Secretary of State (SOS). The Commission will request additional documentation from the applicant if unable to validate good standing directly with the SOS.