

**6E-5.001 Religious Institution Letter of Exemption.**

(1) Definitions. As used in this rule, a “letter of exemption” means a letter issued by the Commission to a nonpublic religious postsecondary educational institution college providing that the institution has met the requirements of state law and is exempt from licensure not subject to governmental oversight.

(2) The Commission shall issue an annual a letter of exemption ~~no more than once annually~~, after receipt of a properly completed ~~application on~~ CIE Form 113 and upon approval from the Commission. CIE Form 113, Affidavit Application for Religious Institution Letter of Exemption, is incorporated by reference to become effective December 2025 (<http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18743>) upon the effective date of this rule. CIE Form 113 may be obtained without cost; from the Commission’s website at [www.fldoe.org/cie](http://www.fldoe.org/cie) or by writing to the Commission for Independent Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400.

(3) The sworn affidavit, ~~portion of~~ CIE Form 113, shall be executed by an Officer, Director or person holding a similar office with the religious institution.

(4) The Commission shall not issue a letter of exemption until where it has ~~not~~ received a properly completed CIE Form 113 and granted approval. Upon request from the Commission, the institution shall submit documentation demonstrating compliance with s. 1005.06(1)(f) and s. 1005.04, F.S., including paragraph 6E-1.0032(6)(i), F.A.C. The institution shall submit such documentation within 30 days after the request.

(5) Duration. A letter of exemption is valid for one year from the date reflected on the letter. However, if the Commission is unable to supply the letter of exemption to an institution after the institution has timely submitted a completed CIE Form 113, the previous year’s letter of exemption will remain in effect until the Commission issues a new letter of exemption or until the Commission denies the completed CIE Form 113 at a public meeting.

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