

5.0 CLERGY LICENSING

All clergy serving in the Diocese of Western Anglicans in any capacity must be licensed by the bishop to do so. Those serving on an ongoing basis are asked to become canonically resident as a presbyter or deacon in good standing. For those on temporary assignment or serving on a very limited basis, are asked to contact the bishop to request a license for the duration of their ministry in the Diocese.

Normative Guidelines:

1. Temporary License – One-time or for the duration of a few weeks
ACTION Priest of the hosting congregation requests a temporary license for the guest clergy by contacting the diocesan office and requesting permission to invite the guest clergy to serve on specified dates.
2. Long-term License – For up to one year from the date license is issued
ACTION The priest who desires to serve as clergy for an extended period of time contacts the diocesan office to request permission.

Everyone who extends in ministry beyond one year is expected to request a letter of transfer and become canonically resident in the Diocese of Western Anglicans.