

Emeritus CNS/CNS-S Application

A CNS/CNS-S credential holder in good standing might want to relinquish their active status due to Emeritus*.

To apply for a Emeritus status, the candidate needs to submit this Emeritus CNS/CNS-S Application to the BCNS.

To apply for Emeritus status, you must meet the following criteria:

- Be a current CNS in good standing (up to date with recertification requirements and annual fees).
- Have renewed the CNS at least once (gone through the 5 year recertification process).
- Be fully retired and no longer earn primary remuneration for practicing nutrition science.

Personal Contact Information

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Emeritus credential holders do not need to report continuing education. Retired credential holders must use the “Certified Nutrition Specialist-Emeritus” or “CNS-E” designation. The discounted annual emeritus fee of \$25 is required and due by December 31st of the prior year.

Individuals granted the CNS-E status may use the CNS-E or Certified Nutrition Specialist-Emeritus after their name, in correspondence, publications, speaking engagements and other public mentions to indicate their status as a Certified Nutrition Specialist at the time of their retirement from nutrition science. CNS-E designees may **not** use the CNS designation without the Emeritus suffix, and may **not** portray themselves as a current CNS.

REACTIVATION FROM EMERITUS STATUS

Individuals who become CNS-E have the following options to reactivate their CNS:

- If the [Intent to Reinstate Application](#) is made within three (3) years of the last date of being a CNS in good standing, the individual may submit the required number of continuing education units in the preceding three years to reactive the BCNS under the recertification policy.
- If more than three (3) years has passed since the last date of being a CNS in good standing, or the requirements to reinstate are not met, the individual must meet current eligibility requirements, remit the qualifying application and fees, and achieve a passing examination score.

Retired CNS/CNS-S Responsibility Statements

- I have read the above information regarding the CNS-E designation and Reactivation policy.
- I have read and understand all the policies and procedures in the Candidate Handbook.
- I have read and accept the terms and responsibilities outlined in the BCNS Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct, and continuing education standards set forth by the BCNS board of directors.
- I declare that all information I have provided on this application is true and accurate. I understand that misrepresentations or incorrect information provided to the BCNS can result in disciplinary actions(s), including suspension or revocation of my eligibility, examination score or credential.

Submission of Application

Please email this application to Applications@NutritionSpecialists.org.

Signature _____ Date _____

*Emeritus – Having retired but allowed to retain the CNS credential as an honor when in good standing.