

## 2016-2018 MANDATORY CE FAQ'S

Q: I already completed my CE and renewed my license. My current license has a May 31, 2018 expiration date. Do I have to do anything further?

A: The mandatory continuing education is for the renewal cycle June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2018, NOT for the renewal cycle that just completed. You will have until May 31, 2018 to complete 14 hours of CE, 3 of which must be completed on the topic of Rules & Regulations.

Q: I have completed my CE for the 2016-2018 renewal period already. The courses were taken between June 1, 2016 and July 28, 2016. Will I need to do an additional 3 hours before my renewal in 2018?

A: If you have already completed 14 hours of continuing education for the period June 1, 2016-May 31, 2018, please submit copies of your CE transcripts. They will be presented to the Commission at their next regular meeting for consideration.

Q: I received my initial license between December 1, 2015 and March 7, 2016, so I did not have to complete the CE before renewing, but I did have to renew my license. Am I exempt from this requirement?

A: Since this is the first time you will be required to do continuing education, you must take the first-time CE modules as outlined at the following link:

<http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/RealEstateCommission/Pages/Education-Information---Students.aspx>

You are exempt from the 3 hour mandatory topic requirement for this renewal period.

Q: I received my initial license after March 7, 2016 and it was issued with a May 31, 2018 expiration date. Am I exempt from this requirement?

A: Since this is the first time you will be required to do continuing education, you must take the first-time CE modules as outlined at the following link:

<http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/RealEstateCommission/Pages/Education-Information---Students.aspx>

You are exempt from the 3 hour mandatory topic requirement for this renewal period.

Q: Where can I go to take classes that will satisfy this requirement? Which education providers offer these courses?

A: There will not be specific classes or courses to be taken to meet this requirement. You need only to make sure that 3 of the 14 hours of CE that you do before May 31, 2018 is in the topic of Pennsylvania Rules & Regulations.

Q: I am required to take an Ethics course every renewal cycle, does that meet the new requirements?

A: This requirement is not the same as an ethics course requirement that may be needed for membership in your professional organization. This is a topic requirement imposed by the Real Estate Commission that you must complete in order to maintain your active license after May 31, 2018. However, certain Ethics courses might qualify as meeting this requirement as long as they cover material within the Real Estate Licensing & Registration Act (RELRA) or the regulations promulgated from the Act.

Q: I took a specific course and I would like to know if this specific course meets the requirement.

A: The Commission cannot pre-approve coursework for continuing education. As long as 3 hours of the required 14 hours are completed on the topic of PA Rules & Regulations, you will have met the requirement.