

CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR NEW LICENSEES

How do I know if I need ce this year and if I do how much?

January 1, 2006 brought a change in the law that affects new licensee's continuing education requirements for license renewal. **Please note that in some instances the date you passed the examination is the date used to determine if or how many continuing education hours are needed.**

Scenario 1 – The salesperson application was received in the ND Real Estate Commission's office prior to the law change (January 1, 2006) and the license exam was also taken prior to the law going into effect.

The licensee was exempt from taking continuing education in the 2004-2005 Education Cycle. The licensee is required to have 6 education credits by December 31, 2006 and 16 education credits by December 31, 2007 including 6 hours of required courses. Required topics are: agency law, fair housing, contracts/offers and risk reduction. A licensee can choose any topic or combination of topics to fulfill the 6 hours required education as long as the course or courses have been approved by the ND Real Estate Commission for that purpose.

Scenario 2 – The salesperson application was received in the ND Real Estate Commission's office prior to the law change (January 1, 2006) and the license exam was taken after the law change went into effect.

The licensee is exempt from taking continuing education in the 2006-2007 Education Cycle. Even though the licensee is not, by law, required to take continuing education, the Commission strongly encourages all licensees to obtain education.

Scenario 3 – The salesperson application was received in the ND Real Estate Commission's office after the law change (January 1, 2006) and the license exam was taken after the law change went into effect.

The licensee is required to take, within one year after initial licensure, 15 hours of continuing education of their choice. The licensee is exempt from the continuing education requirement (16 hours including the 6 required courses) for only the two-year period during which the salesperson application successfully completed the post licensing education.