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Licensure Renewal Updates



New updates allow educators increased flexibility while attaining their professional development objectives.

Important Licensure Renewal Updates

- Restrictions on professional development activities have been removed to allow for more flexibility in meeting renewal requirements (NAC 391.075)
- Educator license renewal now requires 15 hours each calendar year of professional development or the equivalent of in-service training (NAC 391.065)

Renewals for licenses issued on or before June 30, 2019 Renewal requirements may be completed using:

- 15 hours each year of professional development (new system); or
- 6 credits with each credit counting for 15 hours (previous system); or
- Any combination that equals 90 hours of professional development obtained during the course of the licensure period

Example: Your license is due for renewal in three years and you have already earned four of the six required credits. Options:

- You must earn two more credits; or
- You must earn 30 hours of professional development; or
- You must earn one more credit and 15 hours of professional development







Renewals for licenses issued on or after July 1, 2019 Renewal requirements must be completed using 15 hours of professional development each calendar year and may be earned by:

- Teaching a course at a regionally accredited college or university in a subject that the licensee holds a license or endorsement area while holding a masters or more advanced degree with a letter from supervisor or department head attesting to the course being taught
- Completing coursework at a regionally accredited college or university in any subject directly related to the profession of education or the area for which the licensee is endorsed with an official transcript
- Completing professional development to retain an occupational license for licensees who have an occupational license that is directly related to their educator license or endorsement areas with a valid copy of current occupational license
- Completion of National Board Certification or successor organization with a valid copy of certificate
- Developing and delivering in-service training(s) within their field(s) of specialization with a dated letter from supervisor attesting that training was provided
- Participating in professional learning communities, educational work groups or review boards with a letter or certificate from supervisor or provider showing date(s) and number of participating hours
- Attending and completing In-service training provided by any person or entity including without limitation: a
 college, university, school or school district, regional training program, employee organization, educational
 conference, or approved online provider with a letter, certificate, or transcript from provider showing date(s) and
 number of instructional hours for activity

Note: Professional development hours may be completed during the work day if they meet the criteria outlined above.

Additional Information

- Substitute, retiree, or provisional license holders do not need to obtain professional development hours for licensure renewal
- It is the licensee's responsibility to submit proof of professional development activities into their OPAL account
- College/university transcripts must be mailed to or dropped off at one of our offices, or emailed by issuing institution via a clearing house to transcripts@doe.nv.gov. District transcripts must be mailed to or dropped off at one of our offices, or uploaded into your OPAL account
- If you are in the category of Other Licensed Educational Personnel, please consult our website for specific renewal requirements
- Licensees should consult with their employer for professional development activities that are accepted for salary advancement
- If the licensee is unable to complete the requirements during a calendar year, they are allowed a 1-time carry over into the next year

Example: If you cannot complete 15 hours of professional development in year 2 of your licensure, you must complete 30 hours in year 3 of licensure.

If you have additional questions:

- Call 702-486-6458 or 775-687-9115
- Email license@doe.nv.gov
- · Website https://www.doe.nv.gov/educator_licensure

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