

CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) FACT SHEET 2026 REAL ESTATE BROKER LICENSE RENEWAL

- The 2026 Broker Renewal deadline is April 30, 2026.
- Prior to renewing a license, the licensee shall complete the required courses as described below.

Summary of Continuing Education (CE) Requirements

If first issued a Broker License prior to November 1, 2023:

- **12-hours of CE is required:**
This must consist of a 6-hour Core* course and 6 hours of elective courses, including a [Sexual Harassment Prevention Training](#).
Note: The Sexual Harassment Prevention Training may be counted towards elective hours if completed through an approved education provider.

* The 6-hour Core course which includes at least 2 hours of fair housing training must be taken to satisfy the Core requirement for this renewal.

If first issued a Broker License between November 1, 2023 and October 31, 2025:

- **45 Hours of Post License Education is required**

Note: The Post License curriculum includes the required 1-hour of Sexual Harassment Prevention Training

If first issued a Broker License on or after November 1, 2025

- **A license issued during this period will have an expiration date of 4/30/2028**
- **45 Hours of Post License Education is required to be completed by 4/30/2028**

Note: The Post License curriculum includes the required 1-hour of Sexual Harassment Prevention Training

Certification of Compliance with Continuing Education (CE) Requirements

- 1) Each renewal applicant must certify on the renewal application full compliance with the CE requirements.
- 2) Attorneys admitted to practice law pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court rule are exempt from CE, but must certify on the renewal application full compliance with the CE requirements.
- 3) The Department may require additional evidence demonstrating compliance with the CE requirements. It is the responsibility of each renewal applicant to retain and produce evidence of such compliance upon request.

Resources

CE and Post-License Education must be completed through an IDFP - approved Real Estate Education Provider.

- A list of approved Education Providers offering CE courses may be found at: <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/dre/education/rececourselist.html>
- A list of approved Education Providers offering Post License Education courses may be found at: <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/dre/education/reprecourselist.html>
- Your original date of licensure and current license status may be found using "License Lookup" at: <https://online-dfpr.micropact.com/lookup/licenselookup.aspx>
- Your list of completed CE courses may be found using the "CE Lookup" at: <https://online-dfpr.micropact.com/celookup/>
- Sexual Harassment Prevention Training Course FAQs
<https://idfpr.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/idfpr/faq/realstate/dre-updated-shpt-faq-2022.pdf>