

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION**

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NAC 391.065 Renewal of license: Educational and professional requirements; exception. (NRS 385.080, 391.019)

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the educational prerequisites for renewal of a license are as follows:

(a) ~~Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), a~~ A license that is renewable may be renewed if its holder, **during each calendar year of the validity of the license earns 6 semester hours of credit or the equivalent during the term of the license.:**

(1) **Completes at least one semester credit hour of coursework at a regionally accredited college or university, or completes or provides 15 hours of professional development or the equivalent in-service credit aligned with standards as adopted by the department, which may include any mandatory coursework required by any other section of chapter 391 of NAC, and which may be obtained during the work day and which directly relates to the profession of education or to the license holder's area of endorsement, and which may be obtained from the school or district of employment, Nevada Regional Professional Development, employee organization, or conference attendance; or**

(2) **Holds a masters or more advanced degree and teaches a course at a regionally accredited college or university which directly relates to the profession of education or to the license holder's area of endorsement; or**

(3) **Completes professional development or continuing education which is either required by a licensing board or other agency in this state for the renewal of an occupational license directly related to the license holder's area of licensure or endorsement, or directly relates to the profession for which the occupational license is issued and is offered by a nationally recognized organization within that field; and**

(4) **Presents to the Department, at the time of renewal, evidence, including but not limited to a certificate, transcript, letter from his or her employer, or verification of conference attendance, that such professional development or other activity listed above was completed during each year of validity of the license; or**

(5) **A licensee who completes the requirements for National Board Certification during the term of validity of his or her license and submits to the Department a copy of the certificate issued to that person by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards may renew his or her license without completing any additional professional development or other activities listed in this subsection.**

(6) **A licensee who, for any reason, is unable to complete the requirements of this subsection for annual professional development during any single calendar year of the validity of his or her license must complete the deficient hours of professional development during the following calendar year. Such an exception will be permitted for one year during each period of validity of the license; for the second or subsequent years within each term of licensure that a licensee is unable to complete the renewal requirements, he or she must provide to the department a letter from his or her school or school district of employment stating that another exception is justified.**

(7) **The department may audit any evidence of professional development submitted by a licensee pursuant to this subsection to ensure compliance with the provisions of this subsection.**

~~(b) The holder of a license issued on a specialist's or doctor's degree or a National Board Certification must show evidence of professional growth in the area of endorsement during the term of the license.~~

2. **The provisions of this section do not apply to the renewal of a license pursuant to NAC 391.073, or to the renewal of a special license with only an endorsement as a substitute teacher in early childhood through grade 12 issued pursuant to NAC 391.332.**

3. **A license issued prior to the date this section takes effect will not be subject to the provisions of this section, and may be renewed if its holder earns 6 semester hours of credit from a regionally**

accredited college or university, or the equivalent professional development, during the term of validity of the license.

[Bd. of Education, Certification Reg. § 391.050, eff. 10-23-81] — (NAC A 10-26-83; A by Comm'n on Prof. Standards in Education, 11-4-91; 1-11-96; R089-99, 10-25-99; R167-08, 12-17-2008)

~~**NAC 391.075 — Renewal of license: Credits and courses.** (NRS 385.080, 391.019)~~

~~—1.— Credits for renewal may be earned by:~~

~~—(a) Attending a course at, or taking a correspondence course given by, an accredited college or university, attending any state or national conference which has been approved by the Department to offer credit for continuing education or taking an in-service course offered by the Department or a continuing education course offered by a provider who is approved by the Commission if the course or conference:~~

~~——(1) Is directly related to the person's current license or will enhance the effectiveness of the person's teaching;~~

~~——(2) Is in a subject for which shortages of personnel, as determined by the Board, exist; or~~

~~——(3) Is part of an approved program leading to an advanced degree;~~

~~—(b) Engaging in foreign or domestic travel which is directly related to the area of licensure of the person and is approved not less than 30 days before departure by the Department; or~~

~~—(c) Completing courses provided by or under the jurisdiction of a state or national professional organization or association which is specific to the person's area of discipline and which is on a list maintained by the Department.~~

~~—2.— One credit will be given for the completion of 15 hours of:~~

~~—(a) Course work at a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association;~~

~~—(b) In-service courses offered by the Department; or~~

~~—(c) Classroom instruction in continuing education or attendance at a conference for which continuing education credits may be earned, if the state or national professional organization or association and the course or conference have been approved by the Department at least 15 days before the course or conference commences. Two credits will be given for 6 weeks of travel, 1 credit for 1 month. No credit will be allowed for travel of less than 1 month.~~

~~—3.— A person holding a master's degree or a more advanced degree may receive not more than 2 credits by conducting a seminar or workshop or by teaching at the college or university level, if the seminar, workshop or course being taught is in the area of licensure of the person.~~

~~—4.— A holder of a special license to teach career and technical education may earn a maximum of 2 credits for 160 or more hours of full-time continuous employment in the career and technical education field in which he or she teaches and is licensed. The credit for employment must be approved by the Department or a university or college.~~

~~—5.— A person is entitled to receive 6 credits for the completion of the requirements for the National Board Certification upon the submission of a copy of the official assessment scores issued to that person by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. A person is not required to be a holder of a National Board Certification to receive such credits.~~

~~— [Bd. of Education, Certification Reg. § 391.040 subsecs. 2-4, eff. 10-23-81; A 3-26-82] — (NAC A 10-26-83; 2-20-85; A by Comm'n on Prof. Standards in Education, 10-18-89, eff. 1-21-90; 11-4-91; 1-11-96; R089-99, 10-25-99; R021-01, 10-22-2001, eff. 7-1-2002; R026-07, 10-31-2007; R017-09, 10-27-2009)~~

~~NAC 391.080 Approval of providers of continuing education. (NRS 391.019) The Commission will approve a provider of continuing education upon receipt of evidence acceptable to the Commission:~~

~~—1. That the provider:~~

~~—(a) Is recognized locally, regionally or nationally as a professional organization that provides courses for continuing education and whose membership is composed primarily of teachers, administrators or other educational personnel; and~~

~~—(b) Is not a college or university;~~

~~—2. That a written outline of each course to be offered by the provider will be submitted to the Commission for approval before the course is offered; and~~

~~—3. That for each course presented the provider will certify to the Commission:~~

~~—(a) The name of each person who enrolls in the course and completes the required work;~~

~~—(b) That the topics included by the provider in the written outline which was approved by the Commission were presented during the course;~~

~~—(c) The number of clock hours completed by the person taking the course; and~~

~~—(d) The attendance record of each person taking the course.~~

~~—(Added to NAC by Comm'n on Prof. Standards in Education, 10-18-89, eff. 1-21-90)~~