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Chapter 11—Renewals

20 CSR 2030-11.010 Renewal Period

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the licensing period for the Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors, and Landscape Architects and establishes the information required to keep the records of the board current.

(1) The license issued to every architect, professional engineer, professional land surveyor, and landscape architect in Missouri shall be renewed biennially. Licenses originally issued in an odd numbered year shall be renewed by December 31 of each odd numbered year. Licenses originally issued in an even numbered year shall be renewed by December 31 of each even numbered year.

(2) The certificates of authority issued to corporations authorized to offer architectural, engineering, land surveying, and landscape architectural services in Missouri shall be renewed biennially. Certificates of authority originally issued in an odd numbered year shall be renewed by December 31 of each odd numbered year. Certificates of authority originally issued in an even numbered year shall be renewed by December 31 of each even numbered year.

(3) Each renewal application from every architect, professional engineer, professional land surveyor, and landscape architect in Missouri shall be accompanied by the following information, in addition to any other information the board may require:

(A) Name; and

(B) Address.

(4) Each person holding a license and each corporation holding a certificate of authority to practice architecture, professional engineering, professional land surveying, and landscape architecture in Missouri shall file, in writing, their proper and current mailing address of record with the board at its office in Jefferson City and immediately notify the board, in writing, at its office of any changes of mailing address, giving both the old and the new addresses.

(5) Failure to receive an application for renewal of a license or certificate of authority shall not relieve the licensee or certificate holder from their duty to timely renew, nor shall it relieve them from the obligation to pay any additional fee(s) necessitated by any late renewal.

20 CSR 2030-11.015 Continuing Professional Competency for Professional Engineers

PURPOSE: The continuing professional competency (continuing education) requirement is to demonstrate a continuing level of competency for professional engineers.

(1) Purpose.

(A) Effective December 31, 2004, as a condition for renewal of an engineering license issued pursuant to section 327.261, RSMo a licensee shall have successfully completed thirty (30) professional development hours, as defined by this regulation, within the two (2) immediately-preceding years (renewal period). Any licensee who completes more than thirty (30) professional development hours within the two (2) immediately-preceding years (renewal period). Any licensee who completes more than thirty (30) professional development hours within the two (2) immediately-preceding years (renewal period). Any licensee who completes more than thirty (30) professional development hours within the two (2) immediately-preceding years (renewal period). Any licensee who completes more than thirty (30) professional development hours within the two (2) immediately-preceding years (renewal period).

(B) Continuing professional competency (continuing education) is a requirement for every professional engineer licensed by the board, regardless of age, area of practice, or whether the licensee lives in-state or out-of-state pursuant to section 327.271, RSMo.

(C) Continuing professional competency obtained by a licensee should maintain, improve or expand skills and knowledge obtained for initial licensure, or to develop skills and knowledge relevant to the practice of professional engineering.

(D) If the licensee served honorably on full-time active duty in the military, the licensee may renew his/her license without completing the PDH requirement for the renewal period during which the licensee served.

(2) Definitions.

(A) Board. The Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors, and Landscape Architects.

(B) Continuing education unit (CEU). Unit customarily used for continuing education courses. One (1) CEU equals ten (10) nominal contact hours of class in an approved continuing education course.

(C) Professional development hour (PDH). One (1) nominal contact hour of instruction or presentation. The common denominator for other units of credit.

(D) Professional engineering division. The three (3)-member division of the board that concerns itself with the profession of engineering.

(E) Sponsor. An individual, organization, association, institution or other entity that provides an educational activity for the purpose of fulfilling the professional development requirements of the board.

(3) Activities. All such activities must be relevant to the practice of engineering and may include technical, ethical, or managerial content. Professional development activities that satisfy these requirements shall include, but shall not be limited to:

(A) Successfully completing college or university courses;

(B) Successfully completing courses that are awarded CEU(s);

(C) Active participation and successful completion of seminars, tutorials, workshops, short courses, correspondence courses, televised or videotaped courses or in-house courses;

(D) Attending program presentations at related technical or professional meetings;

(E) Teaching or instructing (see (3)(A)–(D)); and

(F) Authoring papers or articles that appear in nationally circulated technical journals or trade magazines.

(4) Criteria. Professional development activities must meet the following criteria:
(A) There is a clear purpose and objective for each activity that will maintain, improve or expand skills and knowledge obtained prior to initial licensure or to develop new and relevant skills and knowledge;

(B) The content of each presentation is well organized and presented in a sequential manner;

(C) There is evidence of preplanning that should include the opportunity for input by the target group to be served;

(D) The presentation will be made by persons who are well qualified by education and experience; and

(E) There is a provision for individual participant registration that will include information required for record keeping and reporting.

(5) Units. The conversion to PDHs from other units is as follows:

(A) One (1) semester hour of college credit 30 PDH;

(B) One-quarter (1/4) hour of college credit 20 PDH;

(C) One (1) CEU 10 PDH; and

(D) One (1) nominal contact hour of acceptable professional development education 1 PDH

(6) Credits. PDHs of credit for qualifying courses successfully completed that offer semester hour, quarter hour, or CEU credit is as specified in this rule. All other activities permit the earning of one (1) PDH of credit for each contact hour with the following exceptions:

(A) Auditing or “hearing” of university or college courses permit PDH credit of one-third (1/3) as shown in section (5);

(B) Teaching or instructing qualifying courses or seminars or making presentations at technical meetings or conventions earn PDH credit at twice that of participants; and

(C) Five (5) PDHs are earned for a paper or article that is published in a nationally circulated technical journal or article. Credit cannot be claimed until that article or paper is actually published.

(7) Reciprocity. PDHs may be acquired at locations other than Missouri, so long as the content meets the requirements of this regulation.

(8) Forms. All renewal applications will require the completion of a continuing education form specified and supplied by the board. The licensee must certify and sign the form, and submit it with the renewal application and fee.

(9) Records. The responsibility of maintaining records that can be used to support credits claimed is the responsibility of the licensee. Records required include but are not limited to: 1) a log showing the type of activity claimed, sponsoring organization, location, duration, instructor’s or speaker’s name, and PDH credits earned; and 2) attendance verification records in the form of completion certificates, signed attendance receipts, paid receipts, a copy of a listing of attendees signed by a person in responsible charge, or other documents supporting evidence of attendance. These records must be maintained for a period of four (4) years and copies must be furnished to the board for audit verification purposes if requested. At its discretion, the board may randomly audit a portion of licensees each renewal period.

(10) Disallowance. The board will review all claimed PDH credits for compliance with the regulation. If in the review the board finds that the PDH credit is not acceptable, the board shall inform the licensee of the criteria that has not been adhered to. The licensee shall have three (3) months from the license renewal date in which to substantiate the original claim or to earn other credits to meet the minimum requirements.


20 CSR 2030-11.020 Professional Land Surveyor—Renewal and Reactivation of Licensure

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies the requirements and conditions for renewing and reactivating a professional land surveyor’s certificate of licensure.

(1) Licenses not renewed on or before the renewal date become non-current and subject to the provisions of section 327.351, RSMo. No person is entitled to practice as a professional land surveyor unless he/she holds a current and active license.

(2) In order to renew a license, the licensee must:

(A) Submit a completed renewal application form furnished by the board; and

(B) Pay the required fee; provided however, no fee shall be paid by a licensee who is at least seventy-five (75) years of age at the time the renewal is due; and

(C) Submit a completed Professional Development Unit ("PDU") form furnished by the board verifying that the licensee has completed at least twenty (20) PDUs during the preceding two (2) calendar years unless otherwise exempted.

(3) Licensees who request to be classified as inactive pursuant to section 327.351.5, RSMo, may maintain their inactive status by paying the renewal fee as provided in 20 CSR 2030-6.015. Inactive licensees need not complete the PDU requirement. However, an inactive licensee shall not have his/her license reactivated until he/she pays the required reactivation fee, and in addition, either:

(A) Completes the PDU requirements as described in section 327.351.6(1), RSMo; or

(B) Successfully completes the Missouri Specific Examination for professional land surveyors pursuant to section 327.351.6(2), RSMo.


20 CSR 2030-11.025 Continuing Education for Architects

PURPOSE: The continuing education requirement is to demonstrate a continuing level of competency for architects.

(1) Purpose.

(A) Effective December 31, 2006, as a condition for renewal of an architectural license issued pursuant to section 327.171, RSMo a licensee shall have successfully completed twenty-four (24) continuing education units (CEUs), as defined by this regulation and the American Institute of Architects (AIA), within the two (2) years immediately preceding the renewal date or be exempt from these continuing education requirements as provided in this rule. At least sixteen (16) CEUs shall be related to health, safety, and welfare (HSW) acquired in structured educational activities. All twenty-four (24) hours may be acquired in such HSW subjects and activities. Failure to comply with these...
requirements will result in nonrenewal of the architect’s license or other disciplinary action or both unless noted below. Any licensee who completes more than twenty-four (24) CEUs within the preceding two (2) calendar years may apply the excess, not to exceed twelve (12) units, to the requirement for the next two (2)-year period.

(B) Continuing education is a requirement for every architect who is actively licensed by the board, regardless of age, area of practice, or whether the licensee lives in-state or out-of-state pursuant to section 327.171, RSMo.

(C) Continuing education obtained by a licensee should maintain, improve or expand skills and knowledge obtained for initial licensure, or to develop skills and knowledge relevant to the practice of architecture and necessary to safeguard life, health, property and promote the public welfare.

(2) Definitions.

(A) Architectural Division. The three (3)-member division of the board that concerns itself with the profession of architecture.

(B) Board. The Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects.

(C) Contact hour. One (1) nominal contact hour of acceptable continuing education is equivalent to one (1) CEU.

(D) Continuing education unit (CEU). One (1) nominal contact hour of instruction or presentation. One (1) CEU shall represent a minimum of fifty (50) minutes of actual course time. No credit will be allowed for introductory remarks, meals, breaks or administrative matters related to courses of study.

(E) Sponsor. An individual, organization, association, institution or other entity that provides an educational activity for the purpose of fulfilling the continuing education requirements of the board. The sponsor is responsible for providing the attendees with verification records such as certificates of attendance, signed attendance receipts, paid receipts, a copy of a listing of all attendees signed by a person in responsible charge of the activity, or other documentation verifying attendance.

(3) Initial Registration.

(A) An architect who holds licensure in Missouri for less than twelve (12) months from the date of his/her initial licensure, shall not be required to report continuing education hours at the first license renewal. An architect who holds licensure in Missouri for more than twelve (12) months, but less than twenty-four (24) months from the date of initial licensure, shall be required to report twelve (12) CEUs, which includes eight (8) CEUs in HSW earned in the preceding twelve (12) months at the first license renewal.

(4) Activities.

(A) The following suggested list may be used by all licensed architects in determining the types of activities that may fulfill continuing education requirements:

1. Contact hours in attendance at short courses or seminars, dealing with architectural or engineering subjects, as appropriate, to each discipline and sponsored by colleges or universities;

2. Contact hours in attendance at technical presentations on subjects which are held in conjunction with conventions or at seminars related to materials use and function. Such presentations as those sponsored by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, American Institute of Architects (AIA), Construction Specifications Institute, Construction Products Manufacturers Council or similar organizations devoted to architectural or engineering education may qualify;

3. Contact hours in attendance at short courses or seminars, related to business practice or new technology and offered by colleges, universities, professional organizations or system suppliers;

4. Contact hours spent in self-study courses sponsored by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, AIA or similar organizations;

5. Three (3) units preparing for each course hour spent teaching architectural courses or seminars. College or university faculty may not claim credit for teaching regular curriculum courses;

6. Contact hours spent in architectural research, which is published or formally presented to the profession or public;

7. College or university credit courses dealing with architectural subjects or business practice. Each semester hour shall equal fifteen (15) CEUs;

8. Contact hours spent in professional service to the public that draws upon the licensee’s professional expertise on boards or commissions, such as: serving on planning commissions, building code advisory boards, urban renewal boards or code study committees;

9. Contact hours spent in education tours of architecturally significant buildings, where the tour is sponsored by a college, university or professional organization;

10. A maximum of two (2) CEUs annually may be used for serving as a mentor or sponsor for the Intern Development Program (IDP).

(5) Exemptions.

(A) A licensed architect shall be deemed to have complied with the foregoing continuing education requirements if the architect attests in the required renewal that for not less than twenty-one (21) months of the preceding two (2)-year period of licensure, the architect (one of the following):

1. Is a resident of another state or district having continuing education requirements for licensure as an architect and has complied with all requirements of that state or district for practice therein; or

2. Is a government employee working as an architect and assigned to duty outside the United States.

(B) If the licensee served on full-time active duty in the military the licensee may renew his/her license without completing the CEU requirement for the renewal period during which the licensee served.

(6) Reactivation—Retired or Inactive.

(A) Architects, who so attest on their renewal that they are retired from active practice or are not engaged in the active practice of architecture, may place their license in an inactive status. Those doing so cannot practice but can still retain the title of architect. Such architect may, however, reenter practice only after paying the required fee and satisfying the board of their proficiency. Proficiency may be established by any one (1) of the following:

1. Submitting verifiable evidence of compliance with the aggregate continuing education requirements for the reporting periods attested as retired from active practice or not engaged in active practice; or

2. Retake the architectural examination; or

3. Fulfill alternative reentry requirements determined by the board, which serve to assure the board of the current competency of the architect to engage in the practice of architecture.

(7) Reciprocity.

(A) CEUs may be acquired at locations other than Missouri, so long as the content meets the requirements of this regulation.

(8) Forms.

(A) All renewal applications will require the submission of either a continuing education form specified and supplied by the board or the AIA/CES reporting form prescribed by the AIA. The licensee must certify and complete the attestation on the form, before submitting it with the renewal application and fee. Failure to fulfill the continuing education requirements, or file the required reporting
form, properly and completely signed, shall result in nonrenewal of a licensee’s license.

(9) Records.
(A) The responsibility of maintaining records, which can be used to support credits claimed, is the responsibility of the licensee. Each architect shall complete and submit the required reporting form certifying that he/she has acquired the required continuing education hours. These records must be maintained for a period of four (4) years and copies must be furnished to the board for audit verification purposes, if requested. At its discretion, the board may randomly audit a portion of licensees each renewal period or a specific licensee if a complaint has been filed against the licensee. Any untrue or false statements or the use thereof with respect to course attendance or any other aspect of continuing education activity is fraud or misrepresentation and will subject the architect to license revocation or other disciplinary action. If in the review, the board finds that the CEU is not acceptable, the board shall inform the licensee of the criteria that has not been adhered to. The licensee shall have three (3) months from the license renewal date in which to substantiate the original claim or to earn other credits to meet the minimum requirements.


20 CSR 2030-11.030 Professional Engineer Renewal and Reactivation of Licensure

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies the requirements and conditions for renewing and reactivating a professional engineer’s certificate of licensure.

(A) Submit a completed renewal application form furnished by the board;
(B) Pay the required fee; provided however, no fee shall be paid by a licensee who is at least seventy-five (75) years of age at the time the renewal is due; and
(C) Submit a completed Professional Development Hour (PDH) form furnished by the board verifying that the licensee has completed at least thirty (30) PDHs during the preceding two (2) calendar years unless otherwise exempted.

(3) Licensees who request to be classified as inactive pursuant to section 327.271.1, RSMo, may maintain their inactive status and receive a certificate indicating their inactive status by paying the renewal fee as provided in 20 CSR 2030-6.015. Holders of an inactive license need not complete the PDH requirement. However, a holder of an inactive license shall not have his/her license reactivated until he/she pays the required reactivation fee, and in addition, completes thirty (30) Professional Development Hours within the two (2) years immediately prior to the date of reactivation.
