NEW Mandatory 3-Hour CE Course — Is Now Required — For All Active Real Estate License Renewals

Since January 2020 all active real estate licensees are required to have completed a New Mandatory 3-Hour Continuing Education Course to renew their licenses.

Active real estate licensees will continue to require a total of 18 hours of continuing education to renew their license. As is currently required, a minimum of 9 of the 18 hours must be Core Topic Courses. However, commencing in January 2020, 3 of the 9 required Core Topic Course hours must be satisfied by completing the Mandatory 3-Hour Real Estate Commission Approved “Mandatory Course.”

The Mandatory Course will be made available in three different versions, or licensing specialties:

- Residential (Course # MR xxxxxx);
- Commercial (Course # MC xxxxxx)
- Property Management (Course # MP xxxxxx)

Licensees may select any of the three versions of the Mandatory Course that best meets their individual area of focus. At least one of the three Mandatory Course versions must be completed when you renew your license beginning in January 2020, and continuing thereafter.

Licensees may elect to complete more than a single mandatory course specialty if they choose to do so, although they may only receive CE credit for one Mandatory “Residential (MR),” “Commercial (MC),” and/or “Property Management (MP)” course in the same renewal cycle. In other words, a licensee could choose to attend more than one Mandatory Course specialty (i.e. Residential, Commercial or Property Management), but NOT take more than one course for continuing education credit from the same Mandatory Course Specialty in the licensees’ same renewal cycle.

The first Mandatory Courses were approved by the Division in July of 2019. Currently there are twenty nine different course providers offering the Mandatory Residential and Property Management (commercial) courses. Contact information for these course providers is listed on the chart found on the next page.
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The “Mandatory Course” will be made available in three different versions:

- Residential
- Commercial, and
- Property Management

Licensees may select any of the three versions of the “Mandatory Course” that best meets their individual market specialty. Beginning in 2020, and continuing thereafter, at least one of the three “Mandatory Course” versions must be completed in each renewal cycle.

The Mandatory 3-Hour Course is now available with 29 different course providers.

We are informing you of this upcoming procedural change now so that you will have advance notice of the new CE course requirement and you can plan and act accordingly.

We are confident that requiring licensees to complete this specific course will not only help to address common areas of concern, but also introduce a universal and consistent training standard as the real estate industry continues to advance and evolve in the years to come.

The Division & Real Estate Commission are excited to introduce the new Mandatory 3-Hour CE Course that will address current topics of industry concern, areas of confusion, common misconceptions, disciplinary actions (and how to avoid them), etc. We thank the Real Estate Commission for their thoughtful involvement and wisdom in supporting and formulating this course, and for those individuals who worked on the objectives for this “Mandatory Course” as well as those who were actively engaged in the course outline preparation.