

## Attention New Licensees

**All newly licensed sales associate and broker licensees must take required postlicensure education within the first license renewal period. Your license will become Null & Void if you fail to take the postlicensure education within the initial licensure renewal period, as mandated by statute.**

**475.17(3)(c), F.S.** *The license of any sales associate who does not complete the postlicensure education requirement prior to the first renewal following initial licensure shall be considered null and void. Such persons wishing to again operate as a real estate sales associate must requalify by satisfactorily completing the sales associate's prelicensure course and passing the state examination for licensure as a sales associate.*

**475.17(4)(c), F.S.** *The license of any broker who does not complete the postlicensure education requirement prior to the first renewal following initial licensure shall be considered null and void. If the licensee wishes to operate as a sales associate, she or he may be issued a sales associate's license after providing proof that she or he has satisfactorily completed the 14-hour continuing education course within the 6 months following expiration of her or his broker's license. To operate as a broker, the licensee must requalify by satisfactorily completing the broker's prelicensure course and pass the state examination for licensure as a broker.*

Any licensee who has received a four year degree in real estate from an accredited institution of higher education is exempt from postlicensure education. You must submit your official college transcript to the Division of Real Estate, Education Section, for an evaluation and approval to qualify for the postlicensure education exemption.

Documented written requests for individual physical hardship waivers for postlicensure education must be requested and approved, as stated in Rule 61J2-3.020(9), Florida Administrative Code, and the education successfully completed within six months from the renewal expiration date.

### **Continuing Education**

If you are in your second or subsequent renewal cycle, Rule 61J2-3.009, Florida Administrative Code, requires that all persons holding active or inactive licenses as brokers or sales associates must satisfactorily complete a minimum of 14 hours of instruction, as prescribed or approved by the Commission. Licensees must complete a 14-hour continuing education course, or can be taken in multiple segments to include a Commission-prescribed 3-hour Core Law and 11 hours of Commission-approved specialty courses on real estate practices. Fourteen hours of continuing education is required for each renewal period following the post licensing education requirement.

### **Reactivation Education**

Brokers and sales associates holding an involuntary inactive license may only maintain this license for two years. An involuntary inactive licensee may activate a license by completing a 14-hour continuing education course for each two-year license period. If the involuntary inactive licensee fails to complete 28 hours (two 14-hour courses) of continuing education prior to the second renewal period, the license will become Null & Void.

Any active member in good standing with the Florida Bar Association is exempt from the reactivation requirement and the continuing education requirement.

**All real estate pre/postlicensure and continuing education courses are offered online. For a complete list of approved real estate schools please visit:**

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