



GEORGIA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

<p>Who must take continuing Education courses in Georgia?</p>	<p>CE is mandatory for all resident insurance producers. CE requirements must be completed before the annual license renewal due date. There are some license types/lines that do not require CE.</p> <p>Exemptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agent license with only Travel Ticket and/or Travel Accident classes • Any license type with “Non-Active” license status • Temporary Agent • Foreign Military Representative • Fraternal Agent • Title Agent • State Legislator • State Lobbyist
<p>How many credits are required?</p>	<p>The standard CE requirement is 15 CE credit hours every year. If a licensee holds more than one license type and meets the requirements of the license with the maximum CE required, he/she will also meet the requirements of others.</p> <p>Exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CE Requirement for 20 years of service is 10 CE credit hours every year. • CE Requirement for professional designation is 6 CE hours every year (Ten eligible professional designations). • CE Requirement for Agent license with Credit only is 5 CE hours every year. • CE Requirement for Limited Subagent license is 5 CE hours every year. • CE requirement for Workers Compensation license is 10 hours if taken from approved Workers Compensation Provider, otherwise the CE requirement is 15 hours. • CE is not required in the first renewal year. (Pre-licensing certificate must be submitted.)
<p>Are there any limits as to the subject matter of courses?</p>	<p>CE courses must be completed in the subject area (line of insurance) for which the licensee is licensed and the courses must be approved by the Georgia Insurance Department. As part of the 15-hour requirement, each licensee must complete a minimum of 3 hours of “Ethics” credits annually.</p> <p>Exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For a multiple lines license where one of the lines is Credit, or implies Credit, no more than 5 hours can be taken in the Credit subject area. • Ethics requirement is waived for Limited Subagents and Agents holding only Credit class. • Agents holding a Workers Compensation license are not required to take ethics.
<p>When must CE be completed?</p>	<p>Required CE must be completed every year. All Georgia license renewals will be mailed in September of each year and due by October 31st of each year.</p>
<p>May I carry credits over from one renewal year to the next?</p>	<p>If you earn extra credits in a renewal year, up to half of your CE requirement may be carried forward to the next year (e.g., up to 7 hours of the standard 15-hour requirement, 3 hours of a professional designation’s 6-hour requirement, etc.).</p>
<p>May I take the same courses each year?</p>	<p>No. A course may not be repeated within 5 years of the original completion date, with the exception of courses in Ethics, Current Issues, or Legislative Updates.</p>
<p>How are course credits reported?</p>	<p>Education providers are required to submit course rosters electronically through www.sircon.com.</p>
<p>Is there a way to reduce the number of credits that I must take or to extend the deadline date?</p>	<p>Licensees may submit a request for reductions/exemptions by returning GID form 101E with the license renewal notice. Standard reductions are granted for teaching courses in insurance-related topics, legislative activities, journalism activities, and projects involving research of insurance laws and regulations. Exemptions may be granted, upon review and approval by GID, for illness and family emergencies that prevent the licensee from completing CE requirements. Extensions are not considered standard requests and are rarely granted by GID.</p>
<p>What are the policies for nonresident licensees?</p>	<p>Nonresident licensees must provide a Status Letter (issued within 90 days) with their license renewals.</p>
<p>How may I get additional information about CE?</p>	<p>You may call the Georgia Customer Service line at 1-888-204-6204. You may also check the status of your CE online at www.sircon.com.</p>