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## NCLCLB Enewsletter

Your source for North Carolina Landscape Contractor information.



### Did You Know?

Implementation of the new portal for licensed landscape contractors on the NCLCLB website remains a hopeful addition by the Board.

The new portal, which will require an investment by the Board, will allow licensed landscape contractors to easily keep track of their continuing education credits 24/7/365, and even allow CE providers to upload credits while licensees are taking their class(es), for immediate verification. There will be many other useful features for licensees, such as:

- tracking renewal status,

- license history,
- updating personal information, and
- other helpful components.

Licensees will be able to access their password protected information on cell phones, tablets, and personal computers, and will be able to enter information in real time.

The new portal will be an extremely useful new feature and the Board is confident it will provide a real value to licensed landscape contractors.

We hope to have licensee continuing education credits and licensee information already uploaded for licensees to review and update as needed.

The goal is to have the portal ready for live testing in late May or early June with the launch just after the August 1, 2021 renewal (if not before!).

## Focus On: Continuing Education (CE)

Take the opportunity to complete your continuing education (CE) **now** and avoid issues at renewal time in July.

Many virtual education opportunities are available -- both during working hours and online to fit your schedule.

### CE Requirements

Landscape Contractor Licensees must complete seven (7) continuing education hours from August 1, 2019 - July 31, 2021:

- (3) CEs must be technical (landscape)
- (2) CEs must be business
- The (2) remaining credits can be technical or business.

### Emergency Rule Reminder:

In accordance with the April 7, 2020 emergency rule set in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic, seven (7) hours of Continuing Education credits will need to be fulfilled anytime between August 1, 2019 and July 31, 2021 of the licensing year. Credits already obtained for the licensing year ending July 31, 2020 will be applied to the next year ending July 31, 2021.

### January and February Multi-Day / Multi-Credit Events

Many upcoming events from local organizations offer multiple CE opportunities.

Visit <http://nclclb.com/continuing-education/approved-courses-2020-2021/> for all 2020-2021 approved landscape contractor education.

Use the easy-to-use list of approved courses by course#, provider, date, hours of credit, or location.

**REMINDER:** You must personally attend the approved webinar/course/activity to obtain credit. Filing false information is a violation of North Carolina law N.C.G.S.89D and can jeopardize your license.



## RULEMAKING NOTICE

In accordance with N.C.G.S. 150B-21.2(c), NC Landscape Contractors' Licensing Board hereby gives notice to all interested persons that it has submitted to the Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Review Commission for publication in the North Carolina Register the Notices of Text for administrative rule amendments and adoptions under consideration.

The Notice of Text and rule can be found by clicking the following link:

<https://nclclb.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Notice-of-Text-and-Rule-21-NCAC-28B-.0601-Post.pdf>

Members of the public may submit oral or written comments on any of the proposed rules from December 15, 2020, through February 15, 2021 by contacting the Board's Executive Administrator:

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The Board is hopeful that this modest proposed change comes at the best time since landscape contractors have been able to save on continuing education costs (needing only 7 CEU's in 2 years rather than 14 CEU's) while demand for landscape services across the state have increased.

## Maintaining Your License



### CE Audits

The Board is auditing licensees for continuing education (CE) compliance.



### Reinstatement

If you, or someone you know, were a Licensed Landscape Contractor in 2019-

Audits are conducted randomly.

To ensure your license is in compliance, make sure you maintain CE attendance records for two years following the processing date of the renewal application to which the CEUs were applied.

Licensees selected for audit shall submit all requested information to the Board within 21 calendar days after the date the licensee was notified by the Board of the audit.

Failure to maintain compliance with the Board's continuing education requirements shall result in the licensee's status being changed to inactive.

[CLICK HERE](#) for a full description of the audit requirements and process per the law: 21 NCAC 28B .0403

2020, but missed the August 1 renewal deadline, you can still be reinstated.

And you may reinstate without providing CE information.

To reinstate your license, you will need to:

- Pay the \$100 reinstatement fee;
- Pay the \$60 license fee; and
- Pay the \$25 late renewal fee.

Failure to reinstate your license by August 1, 2021 shall result in the forfeiture of your license. Upon forfeiture, you shall be required to submit a new application and retake the examination. Which will cost considerably more in time and money than to reinstate now.

If you let your license lapse, get reinstated today!

[CLICK HERE for more information and reinstatement forms.](#)



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