

NCLCLB Enewsletter

Your source for North Carolina Landscape Contractor information.



Focus On: Year-end Wrap Up

As colder weather moves in and 2022 moves out, now is the perfect time to review the status of your license and organize for 2023.

Here are three areas to consider:

Documentation

Make sure all your license paperwork is organized.

For Education/Audits: Make sure you maintain CE attendance records for two years following the processing date of the renewal application to which the CEs were applied.

For Reinstatement: If you or a colleague missed license renewal, reinstate today. To reinstate your license, simply:

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

Reinstating now will cost you less than than having to re-apply and re-test for your license later.

[CLICK HERE to Reinstate Your License](#)

Crew Training

Conduct internal training to be sure you and your team understands and follows the law's

Minimum Standards.

21 NCAC 28B .0501 GENERAL (includes what is required on a contract or agreement)

21 NCAC 28B .0502 PLANTING

21 NCAC 28B .0503 TURF

21 NCAC 28B .0504 FINISH GRADE
21 NCAC 28B .0505 DESIGN AND CONSULTATION
21 NCAC 28B .0506 DRAINAGE SYSTEMS AND CISTERNS
21 NCAC 28B .0507 LOW-VOLTAGE LIGHTING; POOLS
21 NCAC 28B .0508 WALLS
21 NCAC 28B .0509 PAVING
21 NCAC 28B .0510 PRUNING
21 NCAC 28B .0511 WILDFLOWER, NATIVE GRASS, AND NO-MOW SEED ESTABLISHMENT

As a NC Licensed Landscape Contractor, we encourage you to go above and beyond the Minimum Standards to fulfill customer expectations and set the best example for the industry.

[CLICK HERE to Download Minimum Standards](#)

Continuing Education (CE)

Don't wait to the last minute to complete your CE!

In 2022, 34% of licensed landscape contractors had not completed their CE requirements by July 1, 2022 and were scrambling to find available courses.

Now is the best time to complete your continuing education (CE). Several organizations are offering multiple-CE events -- trade shows, workshops, and conferences -- during the winter months.

Landscape Contractor Licensees must complete seven (7) continuing education (CE) hours from August 1, 2022 - July 31, 2023.:

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

Sign into your account in the licensee portal and verify your current credits. If you still need credit, improve your knowledge and expertise now so renewal of your license in July is stress free. You can search the easy-to-use list of approved courses by course#, sponsor, date, hours of credit, or location.

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.**

[CLICK HERE to Search for Approved Education Classes](#)

Did You Know...?

You could be in violation of the law! If...

- You are a current licensed landscape contractor,
- You have a Corporate Surety Bond,
- You are listed on the Corporate Surety Bond,
- You do work, (quotes, invoicing, etc.) in the name of your business name,

- But you do NOT have a corporate license.

If this is you, you are indeed in violation and subject to a complaint being filed against you for the following:

89D-22(a)(2) – Practicing landscape construction or contracting by fraudulent misrepresentation (corporate surety bond and doing work in the name of the corporation, not in your individual name as licensed)

89D-22(a)(8) – Failure to file the required surety bond or letter of credit or to keep the bond or letter of credit in force (surety bond is in the wrong name)

Don't become the subject of a complaint. It is just not worth it. Be the professional you want to be and get your corporate license.

If you have questions or need further assistance, contact the Board office. We are here to help.

Maintaining Your License

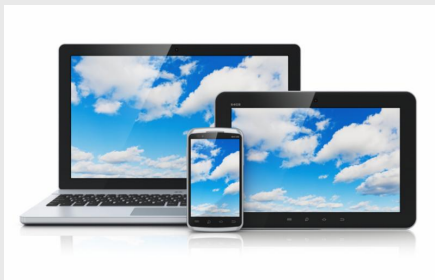


Reinstatement

If you, or someone you know, were a Licensed Landscape Contractor in 2021-2022, but missed the August 1 renewal deadline, you can still be reinstated.

By law, failure to reinstate your license by August 1, 2023 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.

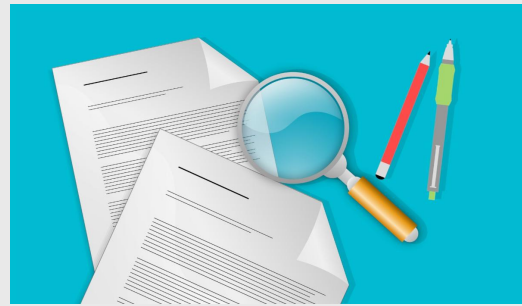
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NCLCLB Portal

Our portal allows NC Licensed Landscape Contractors to easily keep track of their continuing education credits, renewal status, license history, and personal information 24/7/365.

Contact the NCLCLB office at info@nclclb.com or 919-266-8090 if you need assistance with your login ID and password.



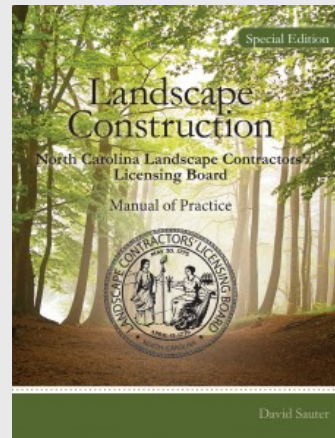
CE Audits

The Board is auditing licensees for continuing education (CE) compliance. License audits are conducted randomly.

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

Failure to maintain compliance with the Board's CE requirements shall result in the licensee's status being changed to inactive per 21 NCAC 28B .0403

[CLICK HERE for Audit Requirements and Processes](#)



Reference Manual

This is the manual to have on your shelf for you and your crew to refer to on landscape procedures. It is used as a study manual for the NC Landscape Contractor Licensing Exam and is a great resource.

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