# **NCLCLB Enewsletter**

Your source for North Carolina Landscape Contractor information.



# **Focus On: Continuing Education**

There is still time to complete your required continuing education (CE) for this license year. Don't wait until July! Courses fill up!

Check the <u>NCLCLB website</u> for an up-to-date list of courses offered. There are a variety of in-person, live-stream, and on-demand virtual classes offered. New courses are added frequently, so please check the website often.

## **Important Reminders:**

All licensed landscape contractors must complete 7 hours of continuing education during the licensing period from August 1, 2024 to July 31, 2025.

You may not repeat the same course within 2 licensing years. 21 NCAC 28B .0402 (h)

This means you may not take a course for credit this licensing year that you also took to renew for last year. You can check the CE courses you've taken on the NCLCLB web portal.

You must personally attend (either in person or on-line) the approved continuing education course to obtain credit. Filing false information is a violation of North Carolina law (N.C.G.S.89D) and can jeopardize your license.

**Verify your CE credits** by signing into your **NCLCLB Web Portal account**. Check to be sure your CE credits that have been reported by course providers.

Don't have your Portal login ID and password? Your login ID and password were sent to you in prior renewal emails and mailings. If you still need help, contact the Board office.

## Did You Know...

...Board complaints and enforcements are available on the Board website.

On the menu bar, select "Laws/Enforcements", then "Complaints-Enforcements" on the dropdown menu; or by following this link: <a href="https://nclclb.com/statutes-and-rules/enforcement-actions/">https://nclclb.com/statutes-and-rules/enforcement-actions/</a>. Please keep in mind Due to the limitations set forth in the landscape contractors' licensing law (N.C. General Statute 89D) enacted by the NC General Assembly, the Board may have little or no jurisdiction in many complaints filed (examples: An Individual is exempt under the law; a project is less than \$30,000; no documentation or lack

## ...this is a good time to review Minimum Standards.

Are you in compliance as defined in 21 NCAC 28B .0501? How about the other minimum standards? Minimum standards are just that... minimum standards, and not following them all the time is a sure way to have a complaint filed against you and/or your company.

The law includes Minimum Standards for:

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21 NCAC 28B .0501 GENERAL BUSINESS
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21 NCAC 28B .0502 PLANTING

21 NCAC 28B .0503 TURF

of accurate information).

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** 

## CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD ALL MINIMUM STANDARDS

## **Maintaining Your License**



## Continuing Education Available for 2024-2025 Licensing Year

Landscape Contractor Licensees must complete seven (7) continuing education (CE) hours from August 1, 2024 - July 31, 2025:

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



#### **CE Audits**

The Board is auditing licensees for continuing education (CE) compliance. License 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 CEs were applied.

Licensees selected for an audit shall

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.

You can search the easy-to-use list of approved courses by course#, sponsor, date, hours of credit, or location.

CLICK HERE to Search for Approved Education Classes



#### **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.

Your login id and password may be found in your renewal reminder email notifications. Contact the NCLCLB office at **info@nclclb.com** or (919) 266-8090 if you need assistance with your login ID and password.

LOG IN to the NCLCLB
Web Portal

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



#### Reinstatement

If you did not renew your 2024-25 landscape contractor license, which would have been revoked on August 2, 2025 due to non-renewal, you only have until July 31, 2025 to reinstate your license.

If you do not have a current landscape contractors' license and you are engaging in landscape construction or contracting, you are in violation of North Carolina law.

Should you fail to reinstate by the deadline, you will be required to submit a new application, pay all applicable fees and pass the 3-part exam to become licensed again.

To reinstate your license, go to https://nclclb.com/individual-license-reinstatement/ and click on "Licensee Portal Login". Then, use your unique login id and password (below) to login. Should you need assistance or have any questions, please contact the Board office.

Need help?: landscape.licer

landscape.licensing@nclclb.com or (919) 266-8070.

## Reinstate



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