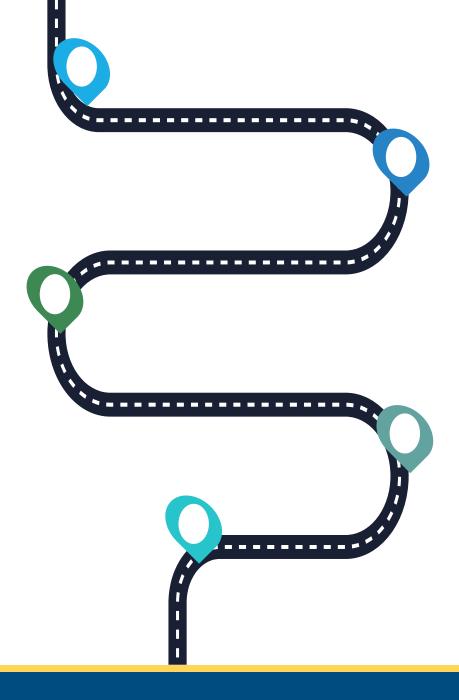


License Renewals, Continuing Education Requirements, and Continuing Education Audits

OCTOBER 27, 2025

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License Renewals



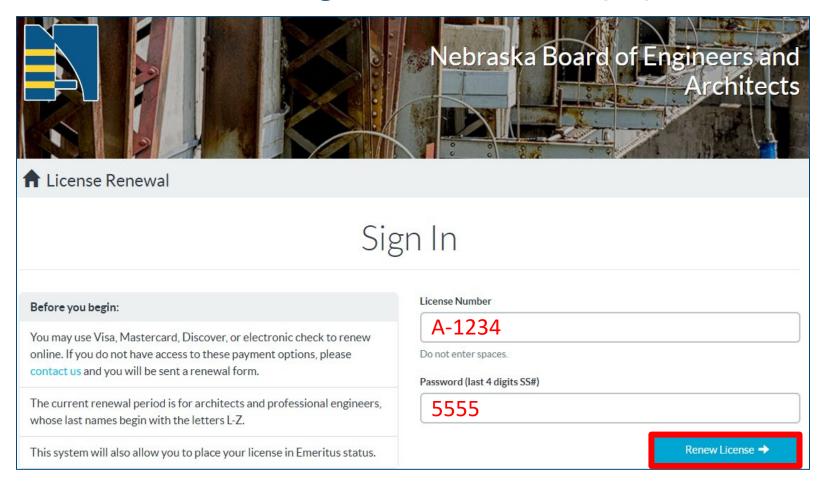
Who Can Renew?



- Licensees whose last names begin with the letters A-K
 - Renewal system is open at <u>https://www.nebraska.gov/EA/ea_renew.php</u>
- Online payments accepted
 - Visa, Mastercard, Discover, or E-Check
- Licensees whose last names begin with the letters L-Z
 - Those who did not renew in 2024 can still renew until December 31, 2025, by paying appropriate late fees.
 - Must request paper renewal form from the Board office; cannot renew online.

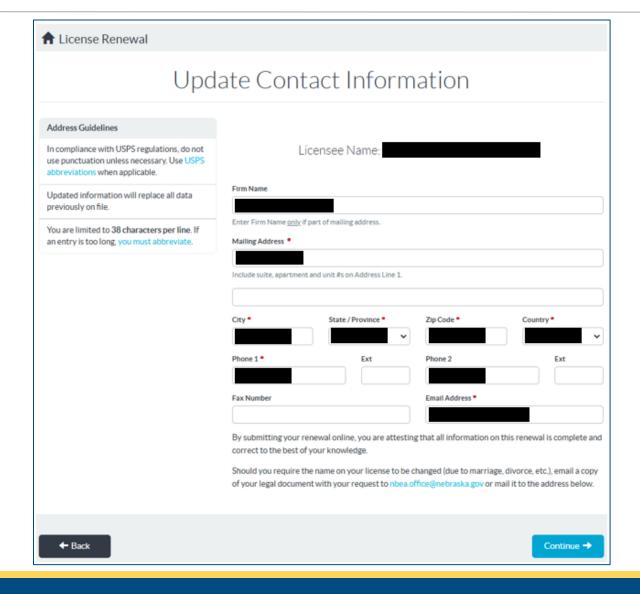
Online Renewal

nebraska.gov/EA/ea_renew.php





Online Renewal





Information Update

Legal Name Change

- Send a <u>Name Change Request and Attestation form</u> along with a copy of the legal document granting the name change to nbea.office@nebraska.gov or by mail.
- Your licensee seal must be updated to reflect the name change.

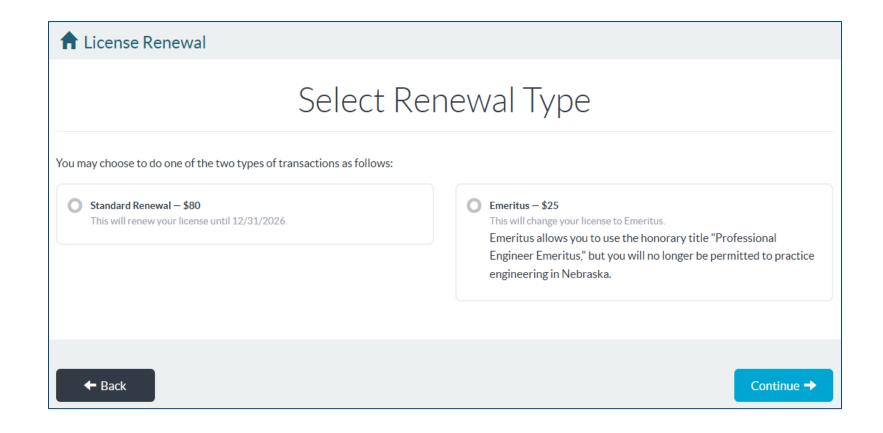
Address Change

- Contact Board staff directly.
- If your license expires at the end of the year (October - December) and you email the Board with updated contact information, you may also need to update your address information again when renewing online.

	EBRASKA BOARD OF	: PO Box 95165 Lincoln, NE 68509 ons? Contact us at nibea.c	Delivery: 215 Centennial Mall S, Suite 400 Lincoln, Ni: 68508 Office@nebraska.gov or on the web at ea.nebraska.go	Phone: 402-471-2021 Fax: 402-471-0787 Feet \$0		
NAME CHANGE REQUEST AND ATTESTATION						
To change your name with the Board of Engineers and Architects, complete the below and submit it along with a copy of the legal document changing your name. Examples of acceptable documents include but are not limited to, a marriage license, court decree, divorce decree, or naturalized citizenship certificate. For divorce decrees, include the first page showing the case number, the page granting the name change, and the page with the judge's signature. Example of documents that are not acceptable include a driver's license, social security card, or passport. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-3437(1) requires your full legal name to be listed on all license-related documents, including your full middle name. Your completed form may be emailed, faxed, or mailed using the contact information listed at the top of the form.						
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Online Renewal



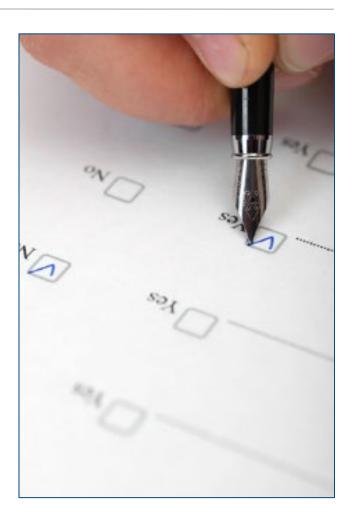
Emeritus Status

- May elect if you are retiring and/or no longer practicing in Nebraska.
- Must be approved by the Board
- Cannot practice architecture or engineering
- May use the honorary titles Architect Emeritus or Professional Engineer Emeritus
- If you wish to request Emeritus status and are renewing by paper, mark form's *Change to Emeritus Status* box and enclose one-time fee of \$25
- Emeritus status selection is also available through the online renewal system.



Disclosure

- Eight questions regarding professional, criminal, and civil conduct
- If you answer "yes" to any of the questions, your license renewal will remain pending until after review and approval
- May be asked to provide additional information



Online Renewal





Continuing Education Information

Mandatory Continuing Education

30 actual hours of engineering-related learning every biennial renewal period to meet the continuing education requirements. Activities must be either 1) technical in nature or 2) address a topic that is part of an engineering profession's body of knowledge as developed by applicable national professional engineering societies (NSPE, ASCE, IEEE, etc.). One hour must also be directly related to ethical issues of professional practice.

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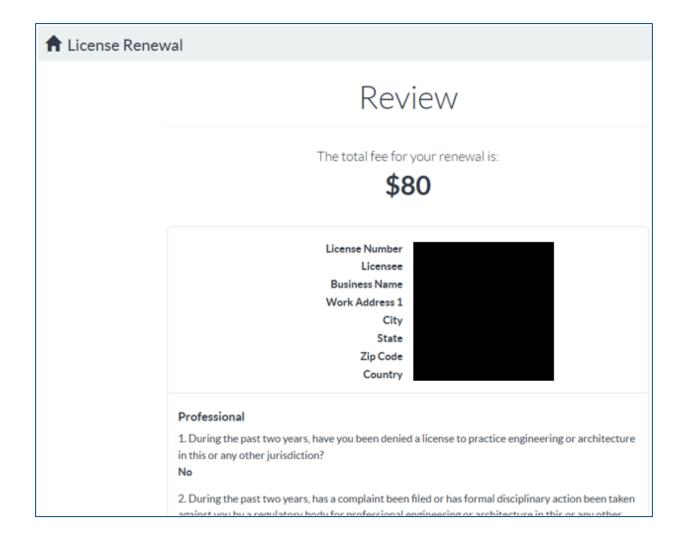
- I have satisfied the mandatory continuing education requirements of Nebraska, and I understand that false claims are subject to disciplinary action.
- I have NOT YET satisfied the mandatory continuing education requirements of Nebraska.
- I have served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or any state for a period of time exceeding 120 days in one or both calendar years of my renewal period. Supporting documents for each year of active duty will be required.
- Other



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Online Renewal



Paper Renewal

- For a paper renewal application, contact staff directly
 - nbea.office@nebraska.gov
 - (402) 471-2021
- Renewal applications must be postmarked or submitted in person by December 31, 2025
 - Physical Address: 215 Centennial Mall S Ste 400 Lincoln, NE 68508-1813
 - Mailing Address: PO Box 95165 Lincoln, NE 68509-5165
- Receipt will be mailed once payment is received
- If paying by cash or check, payment must be made for the exact amount



Inactive or Retired Status

- Nebraska does not place licenses in "inactive" or "retired" status
- No penalty for letting license lapse
- Licenses expired for more than a year must apply for reinstatement to re-activate
 - Must submit compliance with continuing education provisions for the prior 2 years (ending with the date of reapplication

Continuing Education Requirements

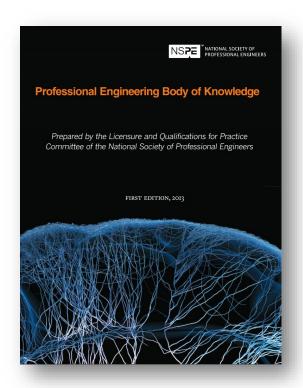
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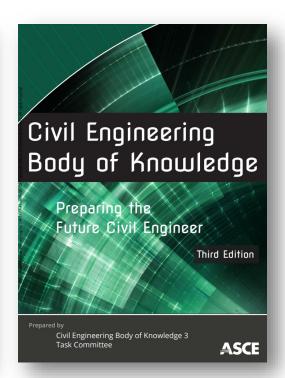
- Architects must complete 24 hours of architectural-related learning.
- Professional engineers must complete 30 hours of engineering-related learning.
- Acceptable continuing education topics must be either:
 - technical in nature, or
 - a topic that is part of that profession's body of knowledge as developed by the applicable national professional engineering society or categorized as a Health Safety and Welfare topic by NCARB.



Engineering Body of Knowledge

Developed by professional societies







https://www.nspe.org/sites/default/files/resources/nspe-body-of-knowledge.pdf

NSPE Body of Knowledge

Basic/Foundational

- Mathematics
- Natural Sciences
- Humanities + Social Science

Professional Practice

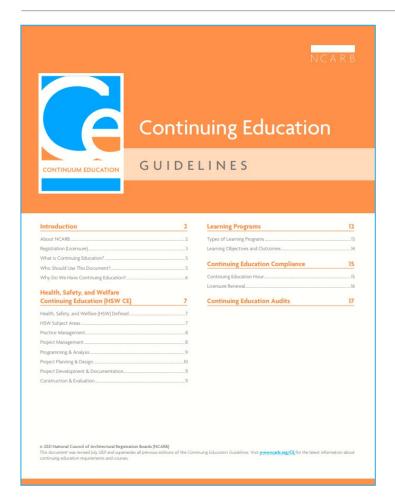
- Business Aspects of Engineering
- Ethical Responsibility
- Global Knowledge + Awareness
- Leadership
- Legal Aspects of Engineering
- Lifelong Learning
- Professional Attitudes
- Project Management
- Public Policy + Engineering
- Teamwork

Technical

- Manufacturing/Construction
- Design
- Engineering Economics
- Engineering Science
- Engineering Tools
- Experiments
- Problem Recognition + Solving
- QC/QA
- Risk, Reliability, & Uncertainty
- Safety
- Societal Impact
- Systems Engineering
- Operations + Maintenance
- Sustainability + Environmental Impact
- Technical Breadth
- Technical Depth



NCARB Health Safety & Welfare





https://www.ncarb.org/sites/default/files/ContinuingEducationGuidelines.pdf



Acceptable Activities

- Examples of acceptable activities per Rule 9.2.3:
 - Successful completion of short courses, tutorials, web-based activities, and distance-education courses offered for self-study, independent study, or group study
 - Presenting or attending qualifying seminars, in-house courses, workshops, or professional or technical presentations
 - Participating in the development of items for NCEES or NCARB examinations
 - Active participation in professional or technical societies in which a licensee either serves as an officer or actively participates in a technical committee of the society related to the practice of architecture or engineering
- Rule 9.2.3 lists acceptable activities
- As a reminder, no pre-approval of offerings will be issued

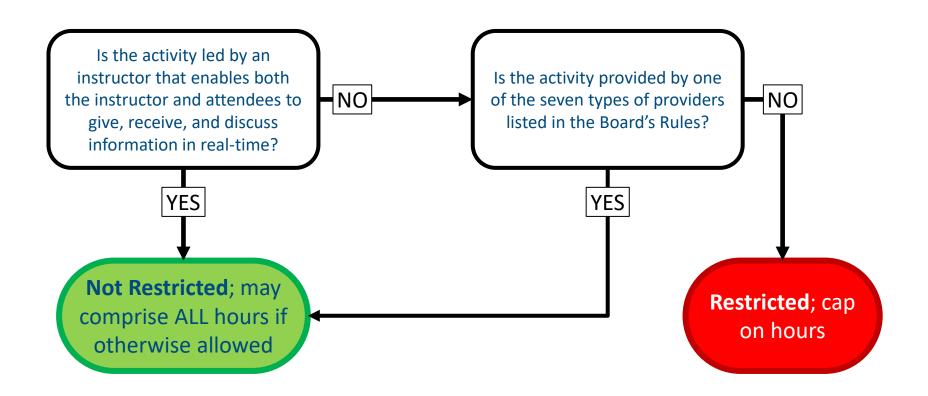


Web-Based (Online) Offerings

- Web-based offerings include webinars, video conferences, online meetings, pre-recorded presentations, etc.
- Web-based offerings are **not restricted** and may constitute **all** of the biennial education requirements if it:
 - Enables both the instructor and attendees to give, receive, and discuss information in realtime, and/or
 - Is **provided** by:
 - 1. International Association for Continuing Educational Training (IACET) approved providers,
 - 2. Institutions of higher education that have an accredited program in architecture or engineering,
 - 3. Professional engineering or architectural societies,
 - 4. Technical societies and associations recognized at a national level,
 - 5. Governmental agencies,
 - 6. NCARB and NCEES, or
 - 7. American Institute of Architects-approved providers
- Web-based offerings from a provider not listed above are restricted and may constitute no more than one-fourth of the biennial education requirement.
 - Six hours for architects
 - Seven and one-half hours for professional engineers



Web-Based (Online) Offerings



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- (2) institutions of higher education that have an accredited program in architecture or engineering,
- (3) professional engineering or architectural societies, (4) technical societies and associations recognized at a national level, (5) governmental agencies, (6) NCARB and NCEES, or (7) American Institute of Architects approved providers.



Restrictions

• At least one hour must be directly related to ethical issues of a licensee's professional practice.

 Individuals who are both a licensed architect and professional engineer may use ethics-related hours and any hours to satisfy CE requirements of both licenses if the subject is BOTH architecture- and engineeringrelated.



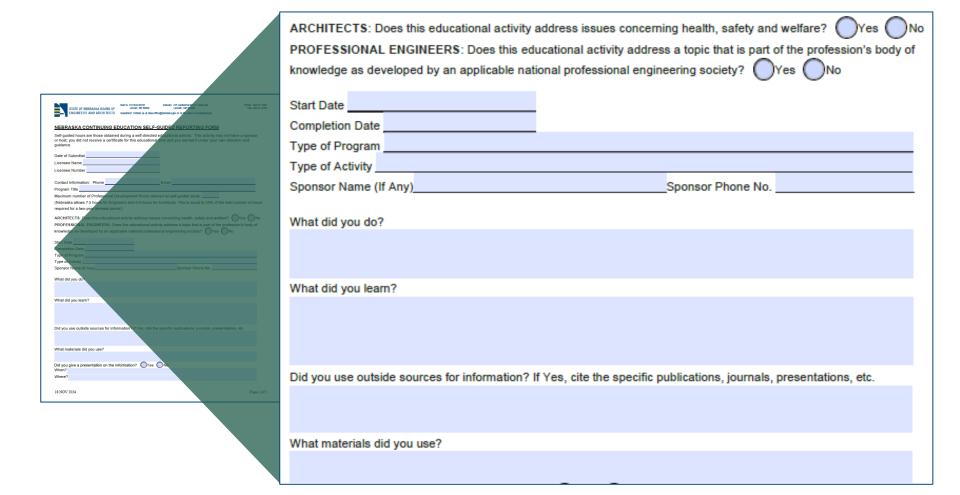
Self-Guided Activities

- Planned and performed under licensee's own direction and guidance
- Must complete and submit <u>Nebraska Continuing</u> <u>Education Self-Guided</u> <u>Reporting Form</u> to be considered
- Architects max. 6 hrs
- Professional Engineers 7-½
 hrs max.
- Separate and distinct from web-based activities restriction

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	Phone: 402-471-2021 Fax: 402-471-0787
	
NEBRASKA CONTINUING EDUCATION SELF-GUIDED REPORTING FORM	
Self-guided hours are those obtained during a self-directed educational activity. This activity may not have	ave a sponsor
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Licensee Name	
Licensee Number	
Contact Information: Phone Email	
Program Title	
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required for a two-year renewal period.)	or or moure
ARCHITECTS: Does this educational activity address issues concerning health, safety and welfare?	Yes No
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS: Does this educational activity address a topic that is part of the profess	
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Self-Guided Activities



Units and Carry-Over

- The Board has final authority with respect to approval of courses and credits
- No pre-approval of activities



Units and Carry-Over

- One actual hour is equivalent to at least 50 minutes of instruction.
- Credit for teaching or presenting an activity may be credited to double the actual hours. Credit is only valid for the first offering or presentation. Full-time faculty may not claim credit associated with regular teaching duties.
- Participation on a professional or technical society's technical committee is equivalent to the actual hours spent on that committee.
- Developing exam items for NCEES or NCARB 15 actual hours per calendar year.
- Serving on an ABET/EAC- or NAAB- accreditation program evaluation team – 15 actual hours per evaluation.

Units and Carry-Over

- All licensees are eligible to carry up to half of their required credits from the previous 2-year period to the current biennium period.
 - Architects 12 hours
 - Professional engineers 15 hours
- Documentation must be provided to prove the licensee has excess hours eligible for carryover
- Ethics hours may be carried over
- The Board will grant a maximum of 10 hours in any calendar day

Recordkeeping

- Licensees are responsible for maintaining records necessary to support credits claimed for continuing education. Required include, but are not limited to:
 - Records relating to continuing education maintained by NCEES, NCARB, or other organizations, OR
 - A completed <u>Continuing Education Log</u> of your continuing education activities for the renewal period AND attendance verification records in the form of completion certificates or other documents supporting evidence of attendance.





CONTINUING EDUCATION LOG



Licensee Na	me:				Licensee Number:		
Dates of Activity (mm/dd/yyyy):	Sponsoring Organization:	Activity, Location, and Instructor(s)/Speaker(s) Name	CE Hours Claimed:	Certificate Given?	Delivery Type:	Activity Topic Type:	
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CE Hours Page Total:

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Total CE Hours:

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Make copies of this form if more space is required. This form can be found online at ea.nebraska.gov/forms.

^{*} Board Rule 9.4.2 covers the conversion of other units of credit to actual hours.

^{**} Board Rule 9.3.1 limits the number of allowable CE hours gained through web-based instruction. Please see Chapter 9 of the E&A Handbook for more information.

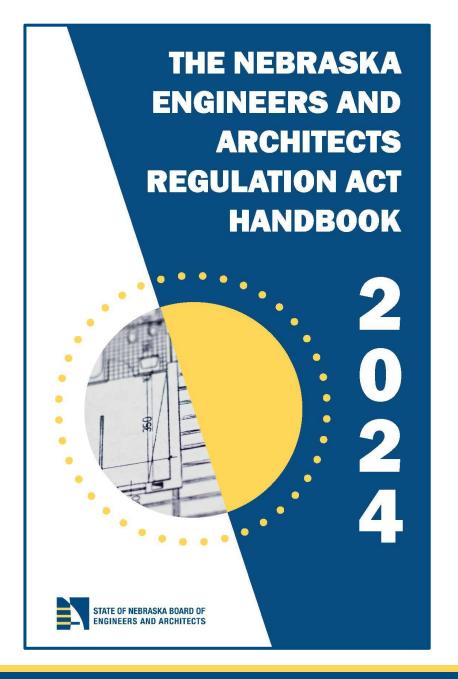
Exemptions and Waivers

- Licensees may be exempt from CE requirements for one of the following reasons:
 - Licensees who are licensed by examination or comity are exempt from their initial renewal period.
 - If a licensee served on active military duty for a period of time exceeding 120 days in a calendar year, they may be exempt from partial or all CE requirements.
 - If experiencing physical disability, illness, or other extenuating circumstances. Supporting documentation must be provided, and the Board must review and approve.
 - Their license is in Emeritus status.
- The Board may, at its discretion, waive the continuing education requirement for any architect or professional engineer.

Summary of Hours

	Professional Engineers	Architects
Total Required Hours (min.)	30	24
Restricted online hours (max.)	71/2	6
Self-guided activities (max.)	71/2	6
Ethics hours (min.)	1	1
Carry-over allowed (max.)	15	12

More info on acceptable activities and CE credits can be found in Chapter 9 of the E&A Handbook.





Continuing Education (CE) Audits

Audit Notification

- The Board may audit any licensee for compliance with CE requirements
- Licensees selected randomly
 - No more than 5% of total number of licensees
- If a licensee is selected, they will be notified **after**January 1, 2026 by mail and email.



Audit Requirements

- If selected for an audit, the following information must be submitted for review:
 - Records relating to continuing education maintained by NCEES, NCARB, or other organizations OR
 - A completed <u>Continuing Education Log</u> of your continuing education activities for the renewal period **AND** attendance verification records in the form of completion certificates or other documents supporting evidence of attendance.
- The CE log and attendance verification records must be arranged in order by completion date and combined into one document, such as a PDF.
- If the Board receives materials not in compliance with this requirement, the information will not be reviewed, and the licensee will be required to resubmit their information in conformance with these requirements.



Audit Requirements

- If the Board disallows any of the continuing education hours claimed, the applicant must, within <u>60</u> days after notification of disallowance, substantiate the original claim or earn other credit to satisfy the continuing education requirement.
- Extension of time may be granted by the Board on an individual basis but must be requested by the licensee within 30 days after notification of disallowance and may not exceed an additional 60 days.

Reminders

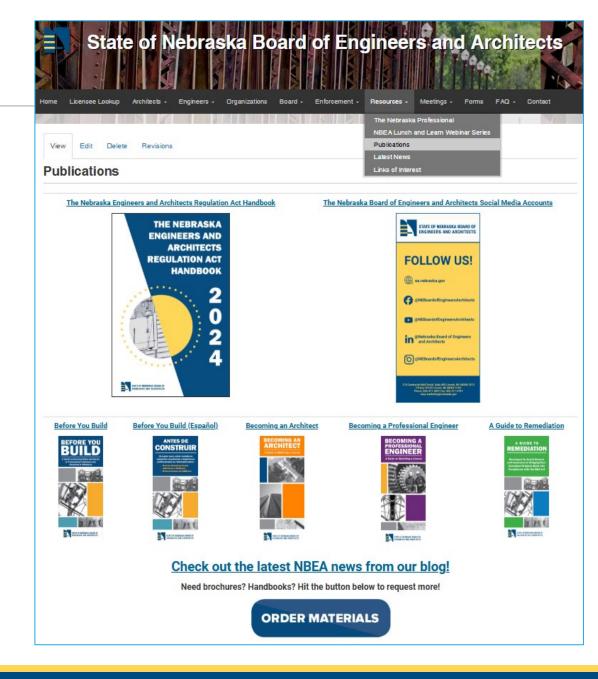
- If claiming carryover hours from a previous renewal period, all documents for that previous renewal period must also be submitted in addition to the 2024-25 renewal period documents.
- Do not send CE documentation unless you receive an audit notification.
- A CE provider who says they are approved in Nebraska or "all 50 states" is a red flag.

Resources and Materials



Resources

The E&A website offers a range of resources that can be accessed or requested at no cost.



Questions?

- Amy Habe, Compliance Officer
 - nbea.compliance@nebraska.gov
 - (402) 471-9602
- Jon Wilbeck, Executive Director
 - jon.wilbeck@nebraska.gov
 - (402) 471-3060

Reminders

- It is anticipated the Board will give continuing education credit for the webinar, but as a reminder, the Board DOES NOT pre-approve continuing education offerings.
- Certificates WILL NOT be issued as attendance verification. If you participate in the entire presentation, you will receive an email within the next week confirming your attendance.

