

Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board

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A Brief History

of

Licensure and CPD requirements

LAPELS

- LAPELS is 118 years old! The Board was established in 1908 and is the second oldest licensing board, regulating engineering and land surveying, in the US.
- In the beginning, licensees were only civil engineers and land surveyors.
- In 1920, seven states including Louisiana, gathered in Chicago, Illinois for the first annual meeting.
- Other states in attendance included Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and South Dakota.

LAPELS

- The topics of discussion included:
 - Reciprocal licensure, cooperation and uniform examinations among state boards;
 - The need for a permanent national body to oversee and accomplish these goals;
- Attendees at this meeting named the national board: A Council of Boards of Engineering Examiners.
- Today this organization is known as NCEES:

The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying

LAPELS

- After WWII, the US experienced an increase in industrialization and technology.
- In the early 1950s, LAPELS and many other jurisdictions recognized 8 different disciplines of engineering. Today we recognize 16 disciplines of engineering.
- By the 1970's every state, four American territories and Washington DC, had a licensing board for engineering and surveying.
- It was also about this time there were discussions nation-wide with legislative groups and professional and technical societies about requiring continuing professional development hours.

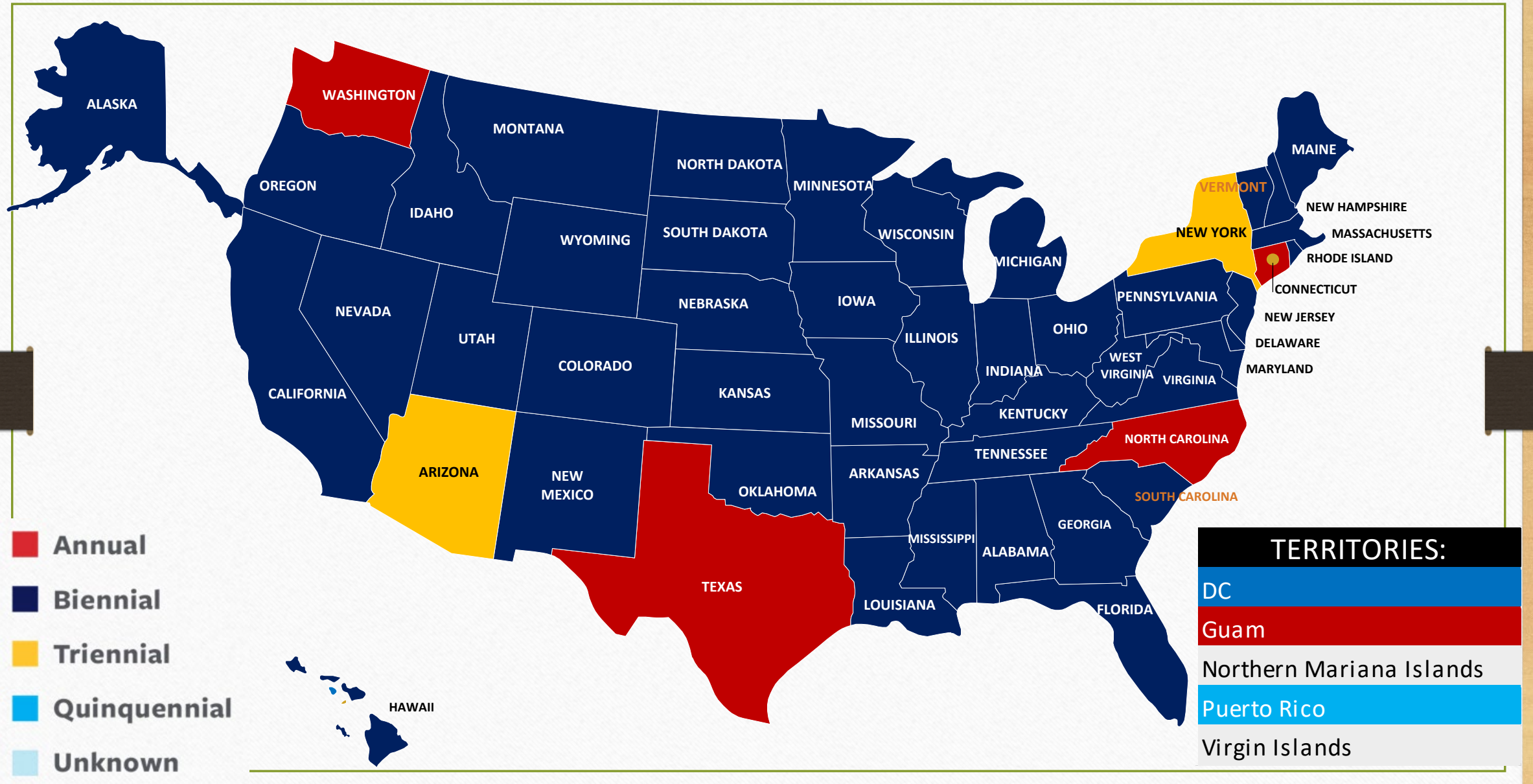
ACT 365 - CPD Requirements

- ACT 365 of the 1997 Legislative Session authorized the Board to require all professional engineers and land surveyors **‘to earn annually up to 15 hours of board-approved continuing professional development.’**
- By the fall of 1998, LAPELS had promulgated rules to outline the requirements and expectations of completing continuing professional development hours.
- CPD requirements were not part of LAPELS laws/rules for the first 90 years.

Reciprocal Licensure

- Today all jurisdictions provide engineering and surveying licensure by reciprocity or comity. In Louisiana, almost 70% of our active individual PE/PLS licensees live out of state.
- Most professional engineers and land surveyors have licenses in multiple jurisdictions.
- Having multiple licenses also makes keeping up with CPD and renewal requirements very challenging.
- Each state has different, but similar, CPD requirements and renewal cycle/dates.

Renewal Cycles – Annual/Biennial/Triennial

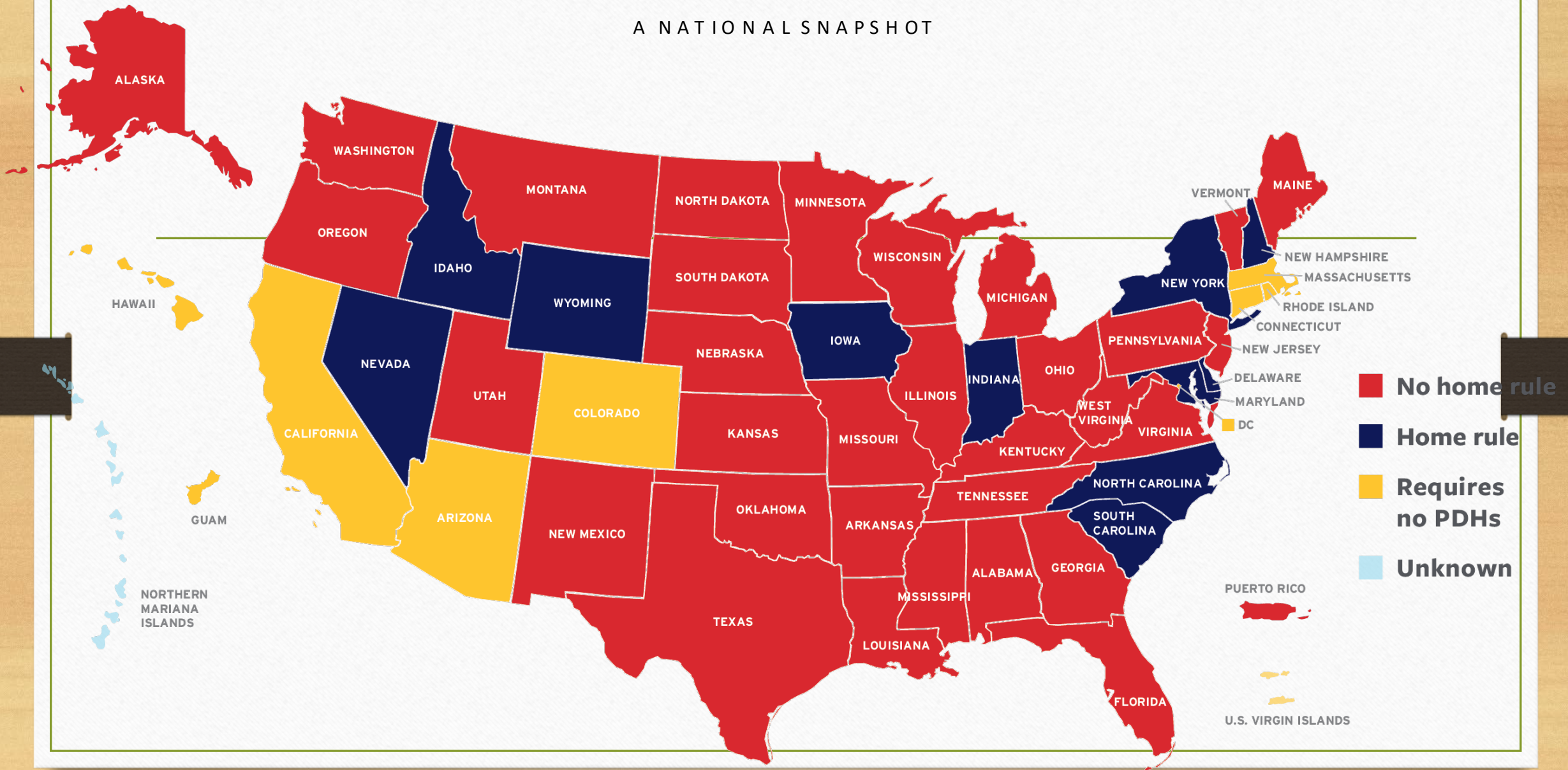


What is the Home State Rule?

- Once jurisdictions began requiring CPD hours, some had a rule that applied to non-resident professional engineers and/or land surveyors. This was known as the Home State Rule. These individuals were allowed to meet the CPD requirements in their current state of residence.
- Licensees were required to obtain official documentation of meeting the CPD requirements from their home state.
- As more jurisdictions required CPD hours with different requirements, verifying documentation became challenging. Today most jurisdictions have repealed the Home State Rule.

Home state rule for CPC requirements

A NATIONAL SNAPSHOT

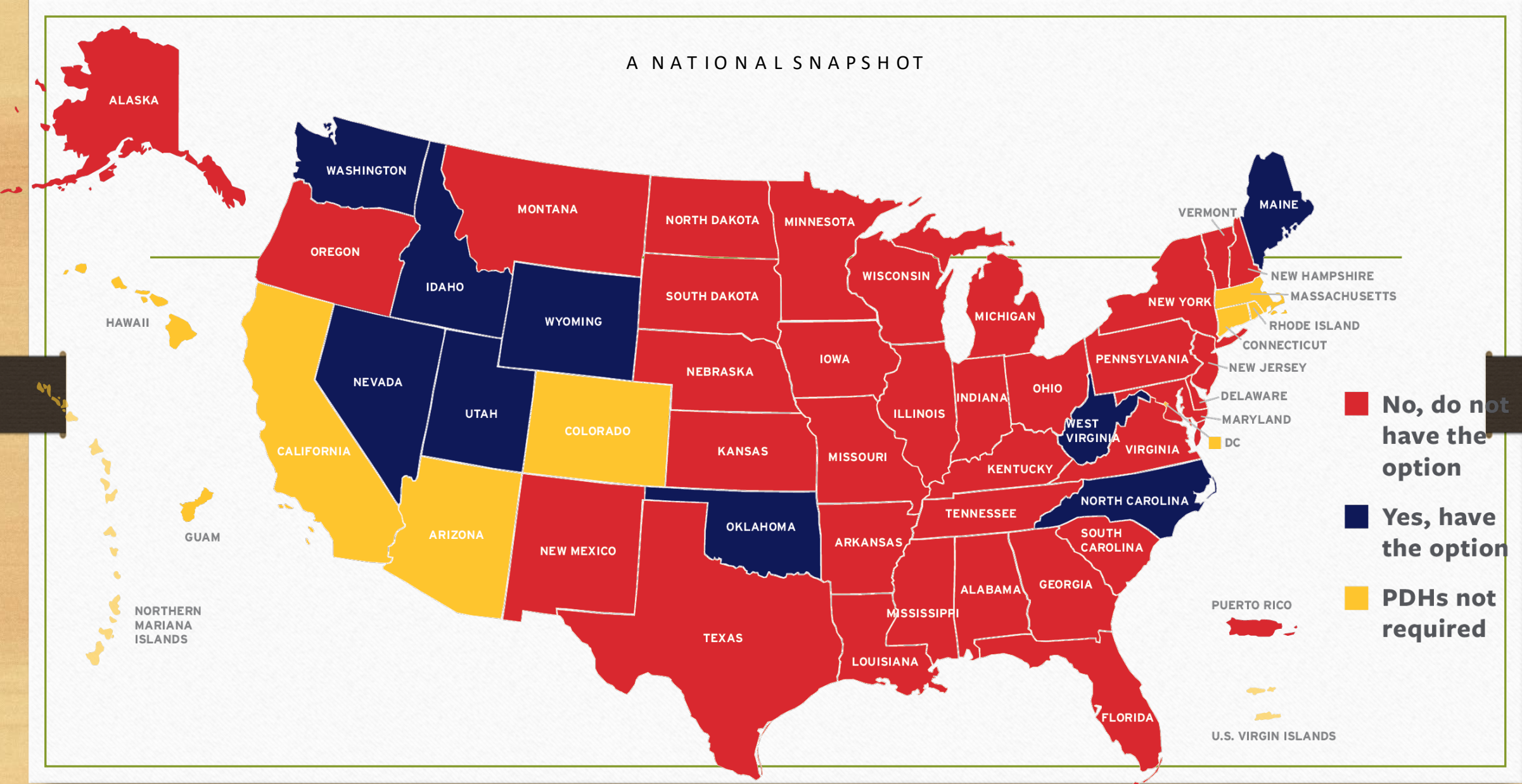


NCEES CPC Standard

(continuing professional competency)

- If an effort to minimize conflicting CPD requirements across the jurisdictions, NCEES adopted **The NCEES CPC Standard** which requires a licensee to obtain the equivalent of 15 professional development hours (PDHs) per calendar year (January 1 – December 31) with no carryover hours allowed.
- A minimum of one PDH, of the 15 PDHs, shall be earned by successfully completing a course or activity that has a content area focusing on engineering or surveying ethics.
- NCEES launched the CPC Tracking System in 2016.

Do you give licensees the option to meet the NCEES CPC Standard?



Louisiana CPD requirements

- In 2016, LAPELS amended the CPD rules in an effort to complement the NCEES CPC standard.
- The new rules became effective on January 1, 2017.
- Renewal periods **remained the same**, with expiration dates of March 31 and September 30.
- **Earning CPD hours changed** from earning hours within the biennial renewal cycle **to a calendar year, January 1 – December 31.**

Louisiana CPD requirements

- At renewal, whether you're in the spring or the fall cycle, a licensee must have earned 15 hours in each of the two previous calendar years.
- For example, for the **2026 spring and fall renewal cycles**, a licensee must have earned the requisite hours in calendar years 2024 and 2025.
- Hours earned in 2026 will be applied to renewals in 2027 and 2028.

Chapter 31

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

- 3101 Introduction
- 3103 Definitions
- 3105 Requirements
- 3109 Exemptions
- 3111 Determination of Credit
- 3113 Units
- 3115 Record Keeping
- 3117 Audit and Review of Records
- 3119 Failure to Comply
- 3121 CPD Reactivation

3101 - Introduction

A. This Chapter provides for a continuing professional development program to ensure that all individual licensees are informed of those technical and professional subjects necessary to safeguard life, health and property and promote the public welfare. Every individual licensee shall meet the continuing professional development requirements of this Chapter as a condition for licensure and licensure renewal.

3103 - Definitions

Acceptable Activity—subject matter which is technical in nature or addresses business management practices, professional ethics, quality assurance, codes or other similar topics which facilitate the licensee's professional development as a professional engineer or professional land surveyor, and/or serves to safeguard life, health and property and promote the public welfare.

3105 A – Requirements for Engineers

- A. Every professional engineer, including those listed in two or more disciplines, is required to earn 15 PDHs per calendar year in engineering-related acceptable activities.
- Professional engineers may not earn more than 8 PDHs within a single calendar day.
 - At least one hour shall be earned in Professional Ethics.
 - At least four of the PDHs per calendar year shall be earned in *Life Safety Code*, building codes and/or Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines by every professional engineer who designs or reviews buildings and/or building systems....

3105 F – Definition of Designs Buildings and/or Building Systems

...the phrase *designs buildings and/or building systems* shall mean the design of and/or specifications for any component of any building and/or building system including but not limited to architectural engineering design, site work, foundations, structural, electrical, mechanical, fire protection system, communications and associated appurtenances.

3105 B – Requirements for Surveyors

B. Every professional land surveyor is required to earn 8 PDHs per calendar year in land surveying-related acceptable activities.

- Professional land surveyor may not earn more than 8 PDHs within a single calendar day.
- At least one hour shall be earned in Professional Ethics.
- At least one hour shall be earned in the standards of practice for boundary surveys in Louisiana.

3105 C – Requirements for Dual Licensees

C. Each dual licensee is required to earn 15 PDHs per calendar year; however, at least one-third of the required PDHs for each calendar year shall be earned separately for each profession.

- At least one hour shall be earned in Professional Ethics
- At least one shall be earned in the standards of practice for boundary surveys in Louisiana
- At least four of the PDHs per calendar year shall be earned in *Life Safety Code*, building codes and/or Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines by every professional engineer who designs or reviews buildings and/or building systems....

3105 D – Excess PDHs

If a licensee exceeds his/her annual requirement of PDHs, up to a maximum of 7 PDHs may be carried forward into the subsequent calendar year.

3109 - Exemptions

- New licensees are exempt from CPD requirements during the calendar year in which they were licensed.
- Documentation will be required for these exemptions:
 - Licensees **serving on active duty in the US Military** for a period of time exceeding 180 consecutive days...
 - Licensees **experiencing disability**, serious illness or injury...
 - Licensees **working in a location for more than 180 days** in a location where compliance with CPD requirements is impractical...

3111 & 3113 – Determination of Credit & Units

- Completing or teaching a college course...
 - One college or unit semester hour = 45 PDHs
 - One college or unit quarter hour = 30 PDHs
- Attending or presenting seminars, in house conferences...
 - 50 contact minutes = one PDH; presenter would receive double PDH
- Membership in engineering and/or land surveying professional associations...
 - One PDH per calendar year for each association; maximum of two PDHs will be allowed for all such memberships

3111 A – Determination of Credit

- Authoring and publishing a peer-reviewed article
 - Five PDHs per calendar year
- Authoring and publishing a non-peer-reviewed article
 - Three PDHs per calendar year
- Obtaining a patent
 - Ten PDHs per calendar year for each patent
- Preparation of an NCEES or state professional exam
 - Maximum of five PDHs per calendar year for exam preparation

3111 A – Determination of Credit

- Serving as a thesis director for a student pursuing a masters or doctoral degree in engineering
 - One PDH per hour of thesis credit
 - Maximum of five PDHs per calendar year
- Serving on a technical committee for federal, state or local governments agencies developing standards
 - Maximum of five PDHs per calendar year

3111 B

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- PDHs may not be earned through informal, non-structured activities such as reading technical journals.

3115 – Record Keeping

- All licensees are required to obtain and maintain certificates, transcripts or other proof of attendance substantiating any PDHs earned.
- Certificates should include date(s) and title/descriptions of the course activity, name of the sponsor, licensee's name and number of PDHs earned.

3115 – Record Keeping

- All licensees are required to maintain a board approved activity log outlining all PDHs claimed during a calendar year
 - LAPELS log
 - NCEES CPC Tracking System ...
- Maintaining records to support PDHs claimed for **at least six consecutive calendar years** and copies may be requested by the board at any time.

NCEES CPC Tracking

- Allows you to conveniently track and report your CPC requirements through your MyNCEES account.
- There are no fees for this service and is available to any engineer or land surveyor with a MyNCEES account.
- The system provides a side-by-side comparison of a state's requirement and your completed CPC courses.
- Set up a MyNCEES account and identify the state licensing boards you'd like to track and report your requirements.

NCEES CPC Tracking

- Renewal periods are set by each state licensing board. You should contact the appropriate boards to know and understand the time period.
- Each time you complete a course:
 - ✓ Enter the course information and corresponding hours
 - ✓ Upload supporting documentation such as certificate, transcript, proof of attendance, course syllabus, proof of teaching, etc.

NCEES CPC Tracking

- Track your progress by selecting a state and renewal period to view a side-by-side comparison of its requirements and your completed CPC requirements.
- You can electronically transmit your information and documentation to a state licensing board for renewal purposes.
- <https://ncees.org/ncees-services/cpc-tracking/>

NCEES CPC Tracker

Course Summary

Area	Online - Recorded	Online - Live	Face to Face	Total
Business Practice	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
Ethics	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
Laws and Regulations	2.00	0.00	0.00	2.00
Technical	16.00	0.00	10.00	26.00
Totals	19.00	1.00	10.00	30.00

NCEES

The NCEES CPC Standard requires licensees to acquire **15 PDHs** in each **calendar year**, of which at least one must be earned in an area that focuses on professional engineering or surveying ethics or improving a licensee's methods of business practice or operations.

Requirement	NCEES	[REDACTED] — CPC Summary		
Hours Needed	15.00	30.00		
Renewal Period	Annual	Issued on 01/01/2025 Expires on 12/31/2025		
Area Breakdown	Area	Hours	Area	Hours
	Ethics	1.00	Business Practice	1.00
			Ethics	1.00
			Laws and Regulations	2.00
			Technical	26.00

Courses

Start Date	Completion Date	Course	Provider	Area	Hours	Class Type	City	State
02/19/2025	02/19/2025	Leveraging Machine Learning for Efficient Design of Catalytic Materials	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Technical	1.00	Face to Face	New Orleans	Louisiana
03/19/2025	03/19/2025	NODPW Current and Future Projects	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Technical	1.00	Face to Face	New Orleans	Louisiana
03/20/2025	03/20/2025	Subsurface Utility Engineering: Recent Developments and Upcoming CHanges	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Technical	1.00	Online - Recorded	New Orleans	Louisiana
03/25/2025	03/25/2025	Standards for Accessible Design - ADA Pt I	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Technical	4.00	Online - Recorded	New Orleans	Louisiana
03/26/2025	03/26/2025	Managing your Pavement Network with Pavement Preservation	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Technical	1.00	Online - Recorded	New Orleans	Louisiana

03/27/2025	03/27/2025	Standards for Accessible Design - ADA Pt II	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Technical	4.00	Online - Recorded	New Orleans	Louisiana
03/28/2025	03/28/2025	Life Safety Code Seminar Pt I	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Technical	4.00	Online - Recorded	New Orleans	Louisiana
07/07/2025	07/07/2025	Public Right-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines for Public Agencies	City of New Orleans Department of Public Works and US Access Board	Technical	6.00	Face to Face	New Orleans	Louisiana
10/08/2025	10/08/2025	JP Infrastructure Improvement	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Technical	1.00	Face to Face	New Orleans	Louisiana
11/12/2025	11/12/2025	Design for Manufacturing and Assembly	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Technical	1.00	Face to Face	New Orleans	Louisiana
12/09/2025	12/09/2025	Professional Ethics	Louisiana Board Of Professional Engineers and Licensed Surveyors (LAPELS)	Ethics	1.00	Online - Live	New Orleans	Louisiana
12/20/2025	12/20/2025	Louisiana 811 - Damage Prevention	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Laws and Regulations	1.00	Online - Recorded	New Orleans	Louisiana
12/21/2025	12/21/2025	Understanding Public Bid Law	Louisiana Engineering Society (LES)	Laws and Regulations	1.00	Online - Recorded	New Orleans	Louisiana
12/24/2025	12/24/2025	Bringing IFC to Electronic Bidding	American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)	Business Practice	1.00	Online - Recorded	New Orleans	Louisiana
12/24/2025	12/24/2025	The Pricing of Delay Costs for Construction Projects	American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)	Technical	2.00	Online - Recorded	New Orleans	Louisiana

CPC TRACKING FAQs

What is CPC Tracking? ▾

Are there any fees associated with using CPC Tracking? ▾

Who can use the CPC Tracking service? ▾

How does CPC Tracking work? ▾

How do I set up CPC Tracking? ▾

Why do some state licensing boards allow me to select a tracking method? ▾

What is the NCEES Continuing Professional Competency (CPC) Standard? ▾

How do I determine a state's renewal period? ▾

How and when do I enter CPC course information? ▾



3117 – Audit and Review of Records

- The board may request at any time that a licensee provide proof of compliance....
- The board will require that all licensees against whom formal disciplinary charges are pending in Louisiana provide proof of compliance with all CPD requirements.
- We do conduct formal, random audits with every renewal cycle

STAFF AUDITS

- At the time of renewal, licensees must attest to the number of hours earned in the two calendar years prior to their renewal date.
- If you are short CPD hours in a calendar year, you should always answer truthfully and indicate the exact number of hours earned in each of these calendar years.
- If you are short CPD hours, your renewal is automatically placed in STAFF AUDIT.

STAFF AUDITS

- You'll receive an email indicating you may be not-in-compliance.
- A staff member will reach out to you about the next steps you'll need to take.
- You'll have 120 days to remedy any CPD deficiency hours with your pending renewal.

STAFF AUDITS

- Licensees, when deemed not-in-compliance with the CPD requirements, are assessed a \$200 Administrative fee. This is not a disciplinary fine or action*.
- Hours earned to satisfy a not-in-compliance situation may not also be used to satisfy the CPD requirements for the current calendar year.
- If a licensee is deemed not-in-compliance at the next renewal cycle, disciplinary action may be taken.

Licensure and Certificate Status – Rule 2103

The Board has established the following statuses for licensees:

- Active – must obtain the requisite CPD hours and pay the biennial renewal fee
- Expired – cannot practice engineering/surveying, and would have to apply to reinstate a license, with the requisite CPD hours, if you wish to conduct business in Louisiana
- Inactive – cannot practice engineering/surveying, you do not have to complete any CPD hours and you pay the biennial renewal fee. If/When you wish to change your status to Active, you can do so, with the requisite CPD hours

Licensure and Certificate Status – Rule 2103

A. The Board has established the following statuses for RETIRED licensees:

- Retired – you must be at least 70 years old OR have been licensed 35 years with LAPELS, you cannot practice engineering/surveying, you do not have to complete any CPD hours, and you pay 50% the biennial renewal fee
- Retired Waiver Granted – you must be at least 70 years old AND have been licensed with LAPELS for 35 years, with no disciplinary history and the renewal fees are waived. This is the largest group of retirees and we currently have 874 in this status

Licensure and Certificate Status 2103 (B)

B. The board has established the following **certification statuses for certificate holders.**

➤ Active Status

➤ Expired Status

3121 - CPD Reactivation

- A. To become reactivated to an active status, a licensee in an expired, inactive, or retired status
 - Must have earned all PDHs which he/she would have been required to earn if he/she had been in an active status during the previous two calendar years.
 - Must successfully complete the Board's online quizzes:
 - Louisiana Laws and Rules
 - Professional Ethics
 - Standards of Practice of Boundary Surveys in Louisiana

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LICENSEURE COMPLIANCE SUPPORT

INDIVIDUAL LICENSEURE

[Online Contact Information Update \(Individual\)](#)[Change Legal Name \(PDF\)](#)[Change of Professional License Status for Inactive/Retired \(PDF\)](#)[Required Online Quizzes](#)[Online Renewal \(Individual\)](#)[CPD/PDH Resources \(online\)](#)[Request for Duplicate / Replacement Certificate \(Individual\) \(PDF\)](#)

Change of Supervising Professional

NOTE: To remove yourself as SP of a firm, sign into your individual license account, click on "SP Locker", then click "Deactivate" in the appropriate line for the firm you are dissociating from. The firm will be notified by their registered email address that you removed yourself as their SP.

FIRM LICENSEURE

[Online Contact Information Update \(Firm\)](#)[Change Firm Name \(PDF\)](#)[Chapter 23 of the Board's Rules \(Supervising Professionals\) \(PDF\)](#)[Required Online Quizzes \(for Supervising Professionals\)](#)[Online Renewal \(Firm\)](#)[Request for Duplicate / Replacement Certificate \(Firm\) \(PDF\)](#)

Change of Supervising Professional (SP) and Rule 2305 SP Online Attestation Forms

Sign into your firm account to add SP's. When SP's are added, the SP will receive a secure email link to complete and submit an online Rule 2305 attestation form. This is required for the firm license to stay in compliance.

NOTE: To remove a SP of a firm, sign into your firm license account, click on "SP Locker", then click "Deactivate" in the appropriate line for the SP you are dissociating from. If you have only one SP for your firm, you will first need to add a new SP before removing the old one.

All "Online" links above except for the online quizzes require the User ID/Password for your individual or firm account. If you are unable to sign in, and unable to perform a password reset request at <https://lola.lapels.com>, contact accountrecovery@lapels.com. You will receive a response within 1-2 business days.

POP QUIZ

Quick review

Question #1 – 3105 (A-C)

- Question #1 - How many CPD hours can a licensee earn in a calendar day?
 - 12 hours
 - 8 hours
 - 4 hours

Answer/Question #1

- How many CPD hours can a licensee earn in a calendar day?
- 8 hours in a calendar day

Question #2 - 3105 D

- If a licensee exceeds his/her annual requirement of PDHs, how many hours can be carried forward to the subsequent calendar year?
 - 15 hours
 - 10 hours
 - 7 hours

Answer/Question #2

- If a licensee exceeds his/her annual requirement of PDHs,
 - up to a maximum of 7 PDHs may be carried forward into the subsequent calendar year.

Question #3 - 3111 A

- Determination of credit. Attending a 50 minute presentation counts for how many **CPD** hours?
 - 0 hours
 - 1/2 hour
 - 1 hour

Answer/Question #3

- Determination of credit. Attending a 50 minute presentation **counts for how many CPD hours?**
 - **50 contact minutes = one PDH**; presenter would receive double PDH

Question #4 - 3111 A

- Determination of Credit – How many hours of credit can a licensee obtain for memberships in an engineering and/or land surveying professional associations?
 - 0 hours
 - 2 hours
 - 4 hours

Answer/Question #4

- Membership in engineering and/or land surveying professional associations...
- **One PDH per calendar year** for each association; **maximum of two PDHs** will be allowed for all such memberships

Question #5 - 3109

- When is a licensee **exempt from earning CPD hours**?
 - During the calendar year in which they were licensed
 - The Board does not allow for exemptions
 - After the age of 60

Answer/Question #5

- When is a licensee **exempt from earning CPD hours**?
- New licensees are exempt from CPD requirements during the calendar year in which they were licensed.

Question #6 - 3109

- With appropriate documentation, a licensee can request exemption of CPD hours during a calendar year for what reasons:
 - **Changed jobs** during a biennial renewal cycle...
 - Licensees **serving on active duty in the US Military** for a period of time exceeding 180 consecutive days...
 - Licensees **experiencing disability**, serious illness or injury...
 - Licensees **working in a location for more than 180 days** in a location where compliance with CPD requirements is impractical...
 - **Failed to complete** the requirements for renewal cycle

Answer/Question #6

- With appropriate documentation, a licensee can request exemption of CPD hours during a calendar year for the following reasons:
 - Licensees **serving on active duty in the US Military** for a period of time exceeding 180 consecutive days...
 - Licensees **experiencing disability**, serious illness or injury...
 - Licensees **working in a location for more than 180 days** in a location where compliance with CPD requirements is impractical...

Question #7 - 3115

- All licensees are required to maintain records to support substantiation of hours claimed for how long?
 - 2 years
 - 4 years
 - 6 years

Answer/Question #7

- All licensees are required to maintain records to support substantiation of hours claimed for how long?
 - ...for **at least six consecutive calendar years** and copies may be requested by the board at any time.

Question #8 - 3115

- A licensee with multiple licenses would best be served by using what record keeping method?
 - LAPELS CPD log
 - Personal spreadsheet
 - NCEES Tracking System

Answer/Question #8

- A licensee with multiple licenses, would best be served by using what record keeping method?
- **NCEES CPC Tracking**

Reducing CPD requirements

- The Board is frequently asked if/when CPD hours will be reduced once a licensee reaches a certain age or obtains a certain number of years of licensure.
- This topic generates a lot of discussion, but typically ends with the consensus, *‘.....if you want to keep your license in the Active status and continue to practice engineering or land surveying, you need to obtain the requisite CPD hours for your profession.....’*

Quick review of the LAPELS website

- Disciplinary Action taken by the Board
- Laws and Rules
- Interactive Licensure Maps

GREETINGS FROM LAPELS!

Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board

ONLINE LICENSE APPLICATIONS, RENEWALS, AND REACTIVATIONS

- <https://lola.lapels.com>
- Licenses expiring on March 31, 2026 can be renewed online starting February 6, 2026.
- If you wish to renew in "Retired Waiver Granted" status, or qualify for military exemption, click [here](#) and look under "Option 2".
- If your professional license or intern certification has expired, apply to reactivate online at the link to LOLA above.
- PE and PLS licensees renewing into Active status must comply with the CPD requirements found [here](#).

Laws and Rules

**Enforcement /
Complaints**

Update Contact

**Enforcement /
Complaints**

How to File a Complaint

**Disciplinary Actions taken
by the Board**

CPD Logs

Laws and Rules Quiz

Standards of Practice for
Boundary
Surveys

Professionalism and Ethics
Quiz

Established in 1908, we're the second oldest licensing board of its kind in the country. One of our very own, Marcel Garsaud, a civil engineer from New Orleans, served as the first president of NCEES (National Council of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors). We are governed by Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, and for over 100 years the LAPELS Board has worked to "safeguard life, health, and property and to promote the public welfare" - and we continue to do so today.

We are always looking for ways in which we can be more responsive to our registrants, applicants and the public. Our website is just one step we have taken to accomplish that goal, and to open more lines of communication.

Our website contains information for applicants, both private and every filing complaints history of the board frequently.

DISCIPLINARY AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

TAKEN BY THE BOARD

(since January 2008)

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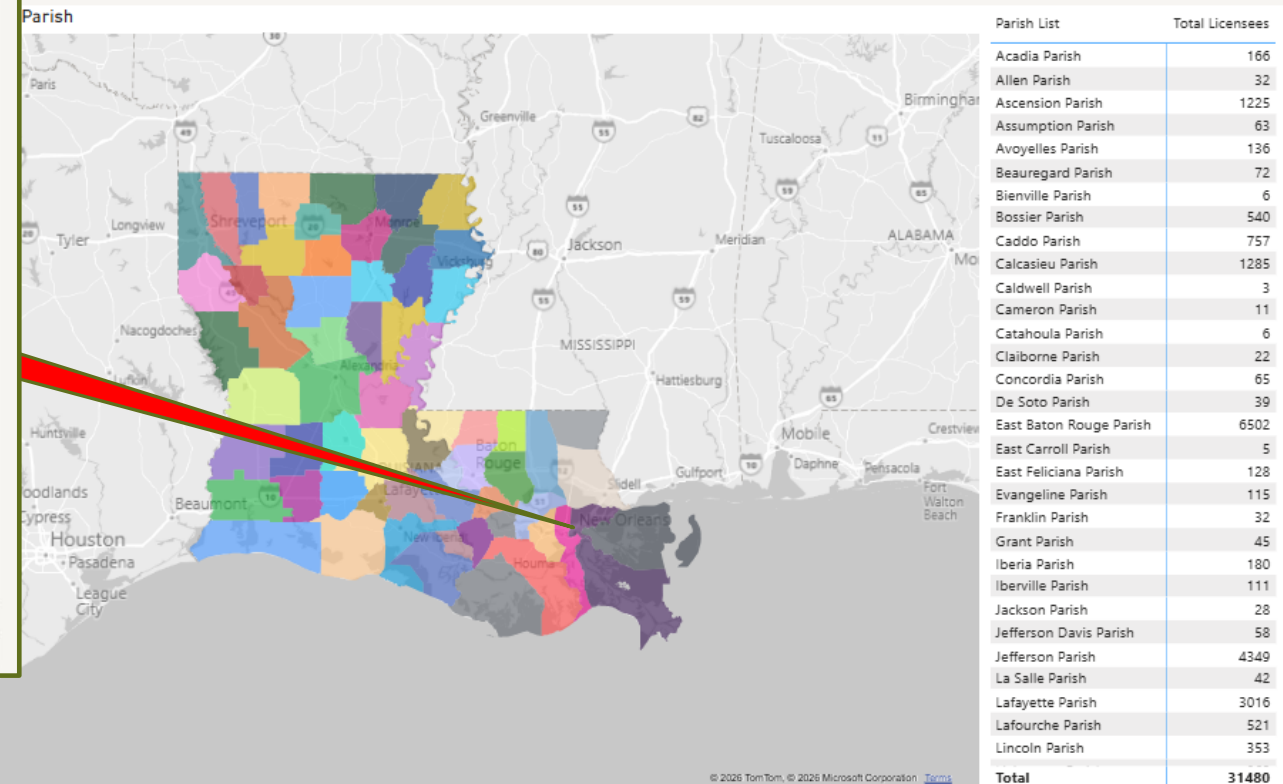
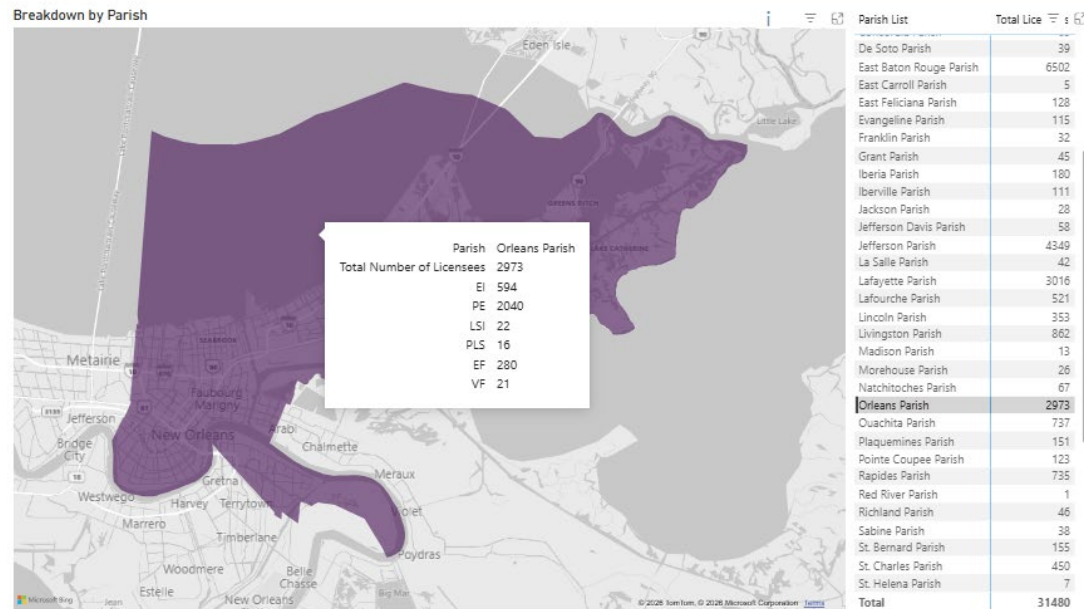
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A&A Engineering, Civil and Structural Engineers, LTD. LLC	Firm	05/23/2022	Case 2021-60
A2H, Inc.	Firm	09/09/2019	Case 2018-3
Abolhassani, Ali, P.E.	Individual	06/10/2019	Case 2018-104
Abolhassani, Ali, P.E.	Individual	05/23/2022	Case 2021-60

LAPELS website -

- <https://www.lapels.com/licensuremaps.html>
- 7 color-coded Parish maps
- Zoom in to each Parish to see breakdown of professionals, interns, and firms

LOUISIANA LICENSURE MAPS

- A series of maps displaying registered license types and numbers by Parish.
- Numbers are real-time, and reflect number of ACTIVE licensees only
- Use the navigation bar at the bottom to advance to other maps displaying individual license type breakouts by Parish
- Use your mouse wheel while hovering over map outside Louisiana to scroll in and out, or use the magnification bar at the bottom. Left-click with your mouse and hold on map to move map around.
- Click the rectangular icon to the right of the magnification bar to view maps in full screen
- **Map 1** - Density of registered licensees across parishes. Hover over parish to see total number of registered licensees (firms and individuals) and breakdown by license type.
 - Legend at top shows color-coded density of licenses across Louisiana parishes, from lowest to highest. Parishes of same color indicate same number of overall licensees registered. Click the arrow at far right of legend to see higher numbers
- **Maps 2-7:** parishes are assigned same color for easy reference. Parishes without a color indicate no registered licensees of that license type
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HB 205/ACT 145 of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session
Effective: August 1, 2022

LA R. S. 37:701 (1) "...Provide for the incidental practice of engineering by architects; to provide for the scope of practice for architects engaging in incidental engineering work; to provide for certain conditions; and to provide for related matters..."

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SB 17/ACT 2 of the 2020 Special Legislative Session
Effective: January 1, 2021

§693. (2) A professional engineer shall be....
(A)...
(B)...
(C) A graduate of an accredited engineering curriculum of four years or more approved by the board as being of satisfactory standing, who has twenty years or more of progressive engineering experience in work acceptable to the board, which is of good character and reputation, who has passed the examinations required by the Board, and who has satisfied the requirements of R. S. 37:694.

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Section 905 -- Temporary Permit to Practice Engineering

Rule 1703 - Fees

- It has been more than 20 years since LAPELS last updated its fees—comity application fees were last adjusted in 2002, and PE and PLS renewal fees in 2003. Like everything else, the cost of operating and regulating the professions has increased over time, and the Board has worked hard to keep fees stable for as long as possible.
- Most fee increases will apply to the following applications and renewals received:
 - **Comity Application (PE or PLS):** \$200 (up from \$180)
 - **License Renewal (PE or PLS):** \$140 (up from \$120)
 - **Initial Licensure Application:** \$50 (no change)

Rule 1703 - Fees

- Those of you in the current **Spring 2026 renewal cycle (March 31, 2026)** should note the following timing related to these changes:
 - Renewals submitted **on or before March 31, 2026** will be assessed the current renewal fee of **\$120**.
 - Renewals submitted **after March 31, 2026 but before July 1, 2026** were assessed the current renewal fee plus the **50% late fee**, for a total of **\$180**.
 - Renewals submitted **on or after July 1, 2026** will be subject to the **new renewal fee of \$140**, plus the **50% late fee**, for a total of **\$210**.

Rule 1703 - Fees

- These changes became effective on **July 1, 2026**.
- For a full list of all fee increases, please reference **Chapter 17, Section 1703** of the Board Rules at the following link:
https://www.lapels.com/docs/Administrative/Board_Rules_1703_Fee_increases.pdf.

How did we do?

- On behalf of the LAPELS Board, I hope this webinar was beneficial and provided you a better understanding of the CPD requirements, licensure status and how our requirements in Louisiana fit in with the rest of the nation.
- **Let's answer some of your questions.....**

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- This webinar will count as one CPD credit hour for Laws/Rules.
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Thank you for your attendance

- Thank you for your years of licensure with LAPELS and for the engineering/surveying services you provide to the people of Louisiana. Stay in touch with us.
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