



December 2024 NYSCAR president's message - by Robert Strell

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The Education Committee is planning the course schedule for 2025. The required courses for licensing will be offered as well as pertinent commercial topics. As a member benefit, courses offered via Zoom will be offered free of charge for all NYSCAR members! It is imperative that you take the required courses (listed below) as part of the 22.5 hours. If you are audited by NYS Department of State and don't have the correct courses, your license is not valid and you are placing yourself at risk for a significant fine.

As a reminder, the requirements for NYS licensing renewal are below:

New York State Dept. of State C.E. Requirements for License Renewal

Any real estate licensee submitting an application for renewal for a license expiring on or after September 21, 2022 must successfully complete 22.5 hours of approved continuing education. The education must include at least two hours on the subject of cultural competency, at least two hours on the subject of implicit bias, at least two and a half hours on the subject of ethical business practices, at least one hour of recent legal matters, at least three hours of instruction pertaining to fair housing and/or discrimination in the sale or rental of real property or an interest in real property and at least one hour of instruction pertaining to the law of agency except in the case of the initial two-year licensing term for real estate salespersons, two hours of agency related instruction must be completed within the two-year period immediately preceding a renewal.

The requirements are based on the license expiration date rather than the date a renewal application is submitted for processing.

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Register now for the NYSAR FREE Legal Update via Zoom on Tuesday, Dec. 17 at 10 a.m. These updates are a free member benefit and will be available for 1 hour of CE credit that satisfies the CE

requirement for training on legal matters. Go to nysar.com/education to register (you will need your NRDS #)

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Constitution Change: Commercial Representation

During the NAR Conference which was held in Boston Massachusetts in November, the Board of Directors voted in favor of an amendment to Article V, Sec. 1 of the NAR Constitution that would require that commercial practitioners make up a minimum of 10% of the NAR Executive Committee. The rationale for the change is that it serves the commercial pillar of NAR's strategic plan and ensures inclusivity for an important segment of the membership. Constitutional changes must be noticed to and approved by the Delegate Body, so the Delegate Body will consider this change at its 2025 meeting at NAR NXT in Houston.

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On behalf of the New York State Commercial Association of Realtors.

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for a Happy Healthy New Year!

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