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THE OFFICIAL LOUISIANA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION NEWSLETTER

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COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

AUGUST 20, 2026
SEPTEMBER 24, 2026
OCTOBER 15, 2026

UPCOMING CLOSURES

Labor Day (September 7)
Election Day (November 3)
Veterans Day (November 11)
Thanksgiving (November 26 & 27)
Christmas (December 25)

RENEWAL PERIOD

August 1 - December 31

Chairman's Corner



Artificial Intelligence Is a Powerful Tool, But Professional Judgment Still Matters

Technology continues to reshape the real estate industry, and few innovations have generated as much excitement as artificial intelligence. From drafting listing descriptions and marketing content to helping organize information and improve efficiency, AI has quickly become a valuable tool for many real estate professionals.

While AI offers tremendous potential, it's important to remember that it is just that... a tool. It cannot replace your professional judgment, experience, or responsibility as a Louisiana real estate licensee.

As AI becomes more common in our industry, I encourage every licensee to use it thoughtfully and responsibly. Any information generated by AI should always be reviewed for accuracy before it is shared with clients or the public. AI systems can make mistakes, provide outdated information, or generate content that is misleading or incomplete. Ultimately, licensees remain responsible for the information they provide and for ensuring compliance with Louisiana law and Commission rules.

Protecting confidential client information should also remain a top priority. Licensees should never enter confidential or personally identifiable information into public AI platforms and should understand how the AI tools they use collect, store, and utilize data.

AI can also be helpful when preparing marketing materials, but it should never be used to create a false or misleading impression of a property. Images, descriptions, and other advertising content should accurately represent the property and comply with all applicable advertising requirements.

Finally, AI should never be viewed as a substitute for legal advice or guidance on Commission laws and regulations. When questions arise regarding compliance, your qualifying broker and the Commission remain your best resources.

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Synde Devillier

**Synde Devillier,
Chairman**



**TIME
TO
RENEW**

Licensing, Education, & More



Prepare for the 2027 Renewal Season

The Louisiana Real Estate Commission's annual renewal period will open August 1, 2026, **for all active and inactive licensees to renew their license, certification, or registration for 2027**. All renewals must be completed by December 31, 2026 to maintain an active or inactive license status.

Licensees may renew their license using one of two convenient options.

Option 1: Renew Online

The fastest and most efficient way to renew is through the **MyLREC Portal**.

- Log on to the MyLREC portal at www.portal.lrec.gov.
- Select "Renew License" from the sidebar.

If you hold more than one individual license, select "View" next to the license you wish to renew to access the renewal option.

Option 2: Renew by Paper

Licensees who prefer to renew by paper may also generate a personalized renewal form through the **MyLREC Portal**.

- Log on to the MyLREC portal at www.portal.lrec.gov.
- Select "Renew License" from the sidebar.
- Choose the option to print a paper renewal. This will allow you to access your personalized paper renewal form.

To help ensure timely processing and faster issuance of your renewed license, certificate, or registration, the Commission encourages licensees to renew online whenever possible.

For additional information or assistance, visit the Commission's website or contact info@lrec.gov.

Important Renewal Reminder for Brokers

Individual broker licenses and broker company licenses are two separate licenses and each requires renewal. Links to renew will be found in the MyLREC Portal for each license. **You must log in to both MyLREC Portals to complete the separate license renewals.**



License Renewal Period Timeline

On-Time Renewals:
*August 1 through
September 30*

**First Delinquent
Period:** *October 1
through November 15
(subject to \$50
delinquent fee)*

**Second Delinquent
Period:** *November 16
through December 31
(subject to \$200
delinquent fee)*

Avoid delinquent renewal fees by renewing your license by September 30!

Renewing in the Inactive Status is Now Easier Than Ever

Currently active licensees who plan to renew their license in the inactive status now have a more convenient option during the annual renewal period. For the first time, inactive renewals can be completed entirely online through the MyLREC Portal, eliminating the need to print and mail a paper renewal form to the Commission.

More Details About the Inactive Status

Choosing inactive status is a practical option for licensees who are taking a temporary break from the real estate industry but wish to maintain their license. While inactive licensees may not engage in real estate activities or collect referral fees, they retain the ability to reactivate their license in the future without reapplying as a new licensee.

Obligations of an Inactive Licensee

Inactive licensees are not required to complete annual continuing education or maintain Errors and Omissions insurance while their license remains inactive. However, those who choose to complete the required annual continuing education while inactive may accumulate those hours and become eligible to reactivate their license at any time by submitting the appropriate form and fees.

Even while inactive, licenses must be renewed each year during the annual renewal period to remain in good standing.

If you're planning to step away from the profession temporarily, renewing your license in the inactive status provides a simple way to preserve your license and keep your options open. This year's enhanced online renewal process makes that decision easier than ever.

Is renewing in the inactive status the right decision for me?



Chairman's Corner (Cont.)

Artificial intelligence will continue to evolve, and it will undoubtedly become an increasingly valuable part of our profession. By embracing these tools responsibly while maintaining the highest standards of professionalism, ethics, and consumer protection, Louisiana licensees can take advantage of new technology without compromising the trust our clients place in us.

As our industry continues to evolve, the Commission remains committed to helping licensees navigate emerging technologies while upholding the integrity of the real estate profession.

Got Questions About Renewal Season?



[Click Here to Visit the Commission Online!](#)

Commission Approves Commercial Alternative Mandatory Course

During its March 2026 meeting, the Louisiana Real Estate Commission approved the **2026 Mandatory Commercial Alternate – Money Matters & RPR for Commercial Agents** as a substitute for the **2026 Mandatory Course**.

This alternative course is designed specifically for commercial real estate professionals and satisfies the Commission's 2026 mandatory continuing education requirement when taken in place of the standard 2026 Mandatory Course.

The Commission approved the commercial alternate course to provide commercial practitioners with mandatory education that is more directly applicable to their area of practice while continuing to meet the Commission's annual mandatory education requirements.

More Details on Mandatory Courses and Continuing Education Requirements

As the annual renewal period approaches, now is the perfect time for licensees to review their continuing education progress and ensure they are on track to meet this year's requirements.

Remember, all licensees renewing in the **active** status must complete **12 hours** of continuing education coursework, including any courses mandated by the Commission, no later than **December 31, 2026**. Continuing education must be completed through an LREC-certified education provider.

Note: This year's mandatory requirement includes a broker mandatory course that must be taken by all brokers and associate brokers renewing in the active status.

Additionally, the Mandatory Commercial Alternate cannot be taken as a substitute for the Broker Mandatory.

2026 Mandatory Courses

- **2026 Mandatory – Transparency, Technology, and Trust** (this course must be taken by BOTH salespersons and brokers renewing in the active status)
- **2026 Broker Mandatory – Broker Leadership & Compliance** (this course must be taken by brokers and associate brokers renewing in the active status)
- **2026 Mandatory Commercial Alternate – Money Matters & RPR for Commercial Agents** (this course may be taken as a substitution for the 2026 Mandatory)

Don't Delay... Be Proactive in Completing Your CE Requirements

With busy schedules and competing priorities, it's easy to put continuing education off until the last minute. However, waiting too long can create unnecessary stress and increase the risk of missing the December 31 deadline.

Failure to complete the required continuing education by the deadline is a violation of Louisiana real estate license law and will result in a fine citation.

Licensees are encouraged to complete their continuing education early and avoid the year-end rush. Continuing education is not only an annual requirement, it is an opportunity to stay informed and continue growing as a real estate professional.

**Act Now!
Don't Delay!**

Commission Welcomes Cindy Dyer as Newest Commissioner

The Louisiana Real Estate Commission is pleased to welcome Cindy Dyer as its newest commissioner.

Commissioner Dyer officially joined the Commission during the May 28, 2026 Commission meeting, where she was administered the "Oath of Office" by Chairman Synde Devillier.

Dyer brings more than 20 years of experience in the real estate industry and has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to professional development, leadership, and service. She is an active member of several local, state, and national professional organizations and has earned multiple real estate designations and certifications throughout her career. Her extensive industry knowledge and dedication to the profession will be a valuable asset to the Commission.

The Commission welcomes Commissioner Dyer and looks forward to the experience and perspective she will bring as it continues its mission of protecting the public interest in real estate transactions throughout Louisiana.



Thank You, Commissioner Major!

The Commission extends its sincere appreciation to Commissioner Theodore "Ted" Major as he concludes his tenure on the Commission in July 2026 after nearly six years of dedicated service.

Commissioner Major was sworn into office during the September 2020 Commission meeting by then-Chairman Rick Roberts. Since that time, he has faithfully served the Commission with professionalism, integrity, and an unwavering commitment to protecting the public interest.

A longtime Louisiana real estate professional with more than 40 years of industry experience, Major brought valuable knowledge and perspective to the Commission's work. In 2025, his fellow commissioners elected him to serve as Secretary, reflecting the confidence and respect he earned among his peers.

Beyond his official responsibilities, Commissioner Major will be remembered for the compassion and encouragement he brought to every meeting. He faithfully delivered the invocation at the beginning of Commission meetings, offering thoughtful prayers that reflected his deep faith and genuine care for the Commission, its staff, and the people of Louisiana. His steady leadership, wisdom, and willingness to serve others have left a lasting impact on those who had the privilege of working alongside him.

The Commission extends its heartfelt gratitude to Commissioner Major for his years of dedicated service. His guidance, compassion, and leadership will be greatly missed, and we wish him continued success and many blessings in the years ahead.



Update Your Contact Information

Make Sure Your Contact Information is Updated!

The Commission would like to remind all licensees of the importance of keeping your contact information up-to-date. Accurate contact details ensure that you receive timely communication regarding licensing, education, compliance matters, and other essential details.

Chapter 31 of the Commission's rules and regulations **requires all licensees to notify the Commission within ten (10) days of any change in the address or contact information** previously submitted to the Commission. Failure to timely update your contact information is not just an oversight, it's a violation that could result in disciplinary action, including fines.

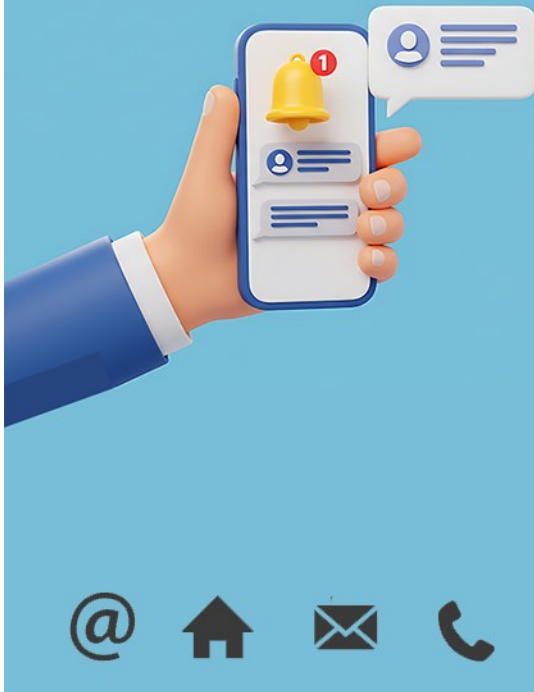
To avoid potential penalties make sure your email address, phone number, and mailing address are current in your MyLREC Portal. Keeping your information updated is not only a requirement, but essential to receiving timely communication.

Need to Make an Update?

There are two ways to update your contact information. For quick and easy access, the Commission recommends taking advantage of the [online option via the MyLREC Portal](#). Once logged in, use the left-hand menu to quickly view and edit your address, phone number, and email address.

Another option to update your contact information is by completing the [Change of Address form located on the Commission's website](#).

Stay compliant and don't miss important notices from the Commission.



LREC Text Message Alerts Help Keep You Informed

The Commission is now using SMS text message notifications to provide licensees with important reminders and time-sensitive updates throughout the year.

Text message alerts may include reminders about annual license renewal deadlines, continuing education requirements, and other important Commission notices. These messages are intended to complement the Commission's existing email communications and provide another convenient way for licensees to stay informed and avoid missing critical deadlines.

The Commission will not use the service to send marketing or promotional messages. Text notifications are reserved for important information related to your license and Commission business.

Licensees who no longer wish to receive text message notifications may opt out at any time. However, the Commission encourages licensees to remain subscribed so they can continue receiving timely reminders and important updates throughout the renewal period and beyond.



Compliance Desk



The Regulatory Compliance Division issued 895 citations from March 28, 2026, to June 30, 2026. The list below outlines the specific violations cited:

<u>LAW/RULE</u>	<u>VIOLATION</u>	<u>NO.</u>
La. R.S. 37:1437(C)(5)(a)	Failure to complete 12 hours of annual continuing education	706
La. R.S. 37:1437(C)(1)(c);(C)(4)(b)	Failure to complete 45 post-license education hours within 180 days of licensure	40
LAC 46:LXVII.705(A)	Returned checks; Insufficient Funds	17
LAC 46:LXVII.2501(F)	Failure to include the sponsoring broker's name and telephone number in all advertisements	1
LAC 46:LXVII.2503(A)	Failure to obtain written authorization from all property owners or their attorney in fact	7
LAC 46:LXVII.2603(A)	Failure to execute a management agreement	1
LAC 46:LXVII.2701(B)	Improper title on rental trust account	1
LAC 46:LXVII.3101(A)	Failure to report a change of address, email address, or telephone number within 10 days	119
LAC 46:LXVII.3901	Failure to timely present offers and/or counteroffers	1
LAC 46:LXVII.3907(A)	Failure to provide a copy of the rejected offer within 5 days after signatures are affixed to the document	1
LAC 46:LXVII.5101(A)(3)	Failure to file an out-of-state broker cooperative agreement	1

I Received a Continuing Education Audit Notice. What Should I Do?

The Commission routinely conducts audits of all continuing education and post-licensing education records. The audits identify:

- licensees that failed to timely and/or fully complete 12 hours of continuing education (continuing education audit); and
- licensees that failed to timely complete 45 hours of post-licensing education within 180 days after their initial/upgraded license date (post-license education audit).

What Should I Do If I Receive an Audit Notice?

Carefully review your education transcript via the MyLREC Portal **prior** to contacting the Commission. Be sure to read the audit notice and fully comply with the order by the dates listed on the notice to avoid additional disciplinary actions.



Continuing Education Audit Notices

Register Now for USPAP Course



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