

## Certificate/License Renewal Comparison (the "old" system and the "new" system)

### Conditions that Remain Almost the Same

#### To renew a 5-year Certificate or a 5-year Professional License

If no advanced degree, 160 inservice/professional development points (one-half must be college credit\*)

If advanced degree, 120 inservice/professional development points (any combination inservice/professional development or college credit)

*All inservice points and/or college credit must have been earned during the life of the certificate/license.*

*\* see college credit requirements in each section below*

#### Certificates Issued Prior to July 1, 2003

College credit:

1. Credit other than upper-division or graduate level credit shall be approved by the applicant's district school administrator, building administrator, or the certification officer of an accredited teacher-education institution (91-1-30, b.1)
2. Credit hours shall maintain or improve skills related to employment as teachers, administrators or special services personnel. Renewal credit should be appropriate for any endorsements which appear on the certificate, to a new endorsement area, or to professional development. (91-1-30, b.2)

Note: There is no requirement that college hours be approved by the PDC.

One semester college credit equals 20 inservice/professional development points; one clock hour of inservice equals one point. (Some PDCs have limited these points even though they should not have; the new regs clarify that there can be no limits for renewal purposes.)

Remember, your first renewal after July 1, 2003, will be based on these requirements, not the new requirements.

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#### Licenses Issued After July 1, 2003

College credit:

1. Must be included on the applicant's Professional Development Plan which must be approved by the PDC or the (state) License Review Committee. (91-1-206)
2. Credit hours must be either Content (see list of endorsements), Professional Education - pedagogy (see KSDE Professional Education Standards), or Service to the Profession.

Note: There is no requirement that college hours must be upper division or graduate level; approval is up to the PDC.

Exceptions: PDC approval is not required if the applicant

1. Completed a minimum of 8 credit hours in an approved program or has completed an approved program (a program that leads to a specific endorsement).
2. Completed the assessments for National Board Certification.
3. Been granted National Board Certification.

One semester college credit equals 20 inservice/professional development points; one clock hour of inservice or service to the profession equals one point.

Professional Development/Inservice points may be in

- Content,
- Professional Education, or
- Service to the Profession

#### Renewals on experience with an advanced degree:

Two renewals on experience (3 years experience in an accredited institution during the life of the license) are available to license/certificate holders whose advanced degree was CONFERRED prior to July 1, 2003. These renewals may be used at any time during your career.

This option is not available for advanced degrees completed after summer, 2003.