



## SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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### South Carolina Department of Insurance Continuing Insurance Education Reminder Notice Licensed Insurance Producers

In accordance with recently adopted changes to South Carolina Code of Regulations 69.50 VI. (H), all Continuing Education (CE) sponsors or instructors are required to provide a copy of this reminder notice to each attendee of a classroom course. The Regulation also requires all correspondence course sponsors to include this notice in all continuing education course material (12 pt. Font Bold). Note: course sponsors must maintain in their records for at least three years certification that a copy of this notice was distributed to each producer subscribing to their respective course.

- Effective with producer renewal in January 2011, the deadline for complying with continuing education in South Carolina is the last day of the producer's month of birth. Producers born in an odd numbered year must comply by the last day of the birth month in an odd numbered year. Producers born in an even numbered year must comply by the last day of the birth month in an even numbered year. Producers who are required to comply in 2011 must complete 12 hours of CE. Three of those 12 hours must be in ethics.
- After 2011, producers must complete 24 hours of continuing education including a minimum of **3 hours of Ethics** and pay the **biennial recordkeeping fee** to the Continuing Education Administrator by the deadline or the producer license will lapse.
- Multi-line (property and casualty and life, accident and health) producers must complete twenty-four hours of CE credits. A minimum of **eight (8) credit hours** must be completed in each line of authority and a minimum of **three (3) credit hours of Ethics**.
- Producers with **reduced compliance requirements** (15 hours) must complete 12 hours in the line of authority held and 3 hours of Ethics. Multi-line producers with **reduced compliance requirements** (15 hours) must complete 6 hours in each line of authority and 3 hours of ethics. Failure to comply by the last day of the producer's birth month will result in the license being lapsed. Up to 18 CE hours in excess of the May 1, 2010 CE compliance period may be carried over and applied to the next compliance period. (The law allowing reduced CE compliance was repealed January 1, 2010. This Section applies only to those producers who were granted a reduced CE compliance prior to January 1, 2010.)
- An individual who arrives after the start of a CE class or leaves before the class is over will not receive credit for the continuing education classroom session, regardless of the number of hours completed during the class session. Instructors may deny credit to anyone who is inattentive (**reading the newspaper, talking, texting, use of cell phones, etc.**).

All licensed resident insurance producers should first check the approved continuing education course list on Prometric's website ([www.prometric.com/southcarolina](http://www.prometric.com/southcarolina)) or contact Prometric at 800-490-6551 before taking a CE course. Courses taken from an unapproved sponsor or instructor will be declined.

Licensed insurance producers can check their continuing education status by calling Prometric at 1-800-490-6551, or by checking your transcript at Prometric's website: <http://www.prometric.com/CE/scceprod>