

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PROFESSION—CONTINUING COMPETENCE REQUIREMENTS

State	Status	Requirements
Alabama	Mandatory	OT: 3.0 CEUs (or 30 contact hours) biennially OTA: 2.0 CEUs (or 20 contact hours) biennially
Alaska	Mandatory	OT: 12 months or more of the concluding licensing period must have completed 24. Less than 12 months of the concluding licensing period must have completed 12 contact hours of continuing education during that licensing period. OTA: 12 months or more of the concluding licensing period must have completed 12 contact hours less than 12 months of the concluding licensing period must have completed 6 contact hours
Arizona	Mandatory	OT: 20 hours for renewal of a 2-year license period OTA: 12 hours for renewal of a 2-year license period
Arkansas	Mandatory	OT: 10 hours of continuing education each year OTA: 10 hours of continuing education each year
California	Mandatory	OT: 12 PDUs per year 1 PDU=50 minutes OTA: 12 PDUs per year
Colorado	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
Connecticut	Mandatory	OT: 12 units of qualifying continuing competency activity during the preceding registration period renewed biennially every odd year OTA: 9 units of qualifying continuing competency activity during the preceding registration period renewed biennially every odd year
Delaware	Mandatory	OT: 20 hours CEUs for each license renewed biennially new licensees prorated OTA: 20 hours CEUs for each license renewed biennially new licensees prorated
District of Columbia	Mandatory	OT: 24 hours of approved continuing education credit biennially OTA: 12 hours of approved continuing education credit biennially
Florida	Mandatory	OT: 26 hours continuing education + 2 hours HIV/AIDS education = total 26 hours biennially OTA: 26 hours continuing education + 2 hours HIV/AIDS education = total 26 hours biennially
Georgia	Mandatory	OT: 24 hours of continuing education biennially OTA: 24 hours of continuing education biennially
Hawaii	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
Idaho	Voluntary	OT: No requirements May send in continuing education activities summary voluntarily with license renewal OTA: No requirements May send in continuing education activities summary voluntarily with license renewal
Illinois	Mandatory	OT: Minimum of 12 units of continuing competency biennially 1 unit=2 hours OTA: Minimum of 12 units of continuing competency biennially
Indiana	Mandatory ¹	OT: Not yet established OTA: Not yet established
Iowa	Mandatory	OT: 30 hours of continuing education each biennium (by birth month) OTA: 15 hours of continuing education each biennium (by birth month)
Kansas	Mandatory	OT: 40 hours every 2 year licensure period OTA: 40 hours every 2 year licensure period
Kentucky	Mandatory	OT: (12) CCUs of qualified activities for maintaining continuing competence during the preceding annual renewal period OTA: (12) CCUs of qualified activities for maintaining continuing competence during the preceding annual renewal period
Louisiana	Mandatory	OT: 15 hours or 1.5 continuing education units (CEUs) annually OTA: 15 hours or 1.5 continuing education units (CEUs)

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Maine	Mandatory	OT: 36 hours of study equivalent to 3.6 CEUs which shall be completed for every biennial license renewal OTA: 36 hours of study equivalent to 3.6 CEUs which shall be completed for every biennial license renewal
Maryland	Mandatory	OT: If licensed for more than 2 years, 24 contact hours of continuing education activities obtained within a 2-year period. If licensed for less than 2 years, but more than 1 year, 12 contact hours of continuing education activities required. If licensed less than 1 year, no continuing education required OTA: 24 contact hours of continuing education activities obtained within a 2-year period if licensed less than 2 years, 12 contact hours of continuing education activities. If licensed less than 1 year, no continuing education requirements
Massachusetts	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
Michigan	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
Minnesota	Mandatory	OT: 24 contact hours of continuing education in the 2 year licensure period OTA: 18 contact hours of continuing education in the 2 year licensure period
Mississippi	Mandatory	OT: 20 contact hours accrued during the 2 year licensure period OTA: 20 contact hours accrued during the 2 year licensure period
Missouri	Mandatory	OT: 24 continuing competence credits (CCC) for the 2 year license period OTA: 24 continuing competence credits (CCC) for the 2 year license period 1 CEU=10 CCCs 1 contact hour=1 CCCs
Montana	Mandatory	OT: 10 hours of continuing education annually OTA: 10 hours of continuing education annually
Nebraska	Mandatory	OT: 20 hours of continuing education for biennial license renewal OTA: 15 hours of continuing education for biennial license renewal
Nevada	Mandatory	OT: 10 hours of continuing education at annual renewal on June 30. OTA: 10 hours of continuing education at annual renewal on June 30.
New Hampshire	Mandatory	OT: 12 hours of continuing professional education annually/6 hours need to be clinical application 24 hours of continuing professional education biennially/ 12 hours need to be clinical application OTA: 12 hours of continuing professional education annually/6 hours need to be clinical application. 24 hours of continuing professional education biennially/12 hours need to be clinical application.
New Jersey	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
New Mexico	Mandatory	OT: 20 continuing education contact hours annually OTA: 20 continuing education contact hours annually
New York	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
North Carolina	Mandatory	OT: 15 hours each (annual) renewal year OTA: 10 hours each (annual) renewal year
North Dakota	Mandatory	OT: 10 contact hours within the twelve months prior to renewal of licensure OTA: 10 contact hours within the twelve months prior to renewal of licensure
Ohio	Mandatory	OT: 20 contact hours of continuing education activities within a 2-year renewal cycle OTA: 20 contact hours of continuing education activities within a 2-year renewal cycle
Oklahoma	Mandatory	OT: 20 hours every 2 years OTA: 20 hours every 2 years
Oregon	Mandatory "	OT: 30 points of CE for the 2 years preceding the date of the 2 year license renewal OTA: 30 points of CE for the 2 years preceding the date of the 2 year license renewal

Pennsylvania	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
Puerto Rico	Mandatory	OT: 30 hours of continuing education every three years OTA: 21 hours of continuing education every three years
Rhode Island	Mandatory	OT: 20 hours biennially OTA: 20 hours biennially
South Carolina	Mandatory	OT: 16 hours of continuing education credit per biennium year OTA: 16 hours of continuing education credit per biennium year
South Dakota	Mandatory	OT: 12 continuing competency points in one year period OTA: 12 continuing competency points in one year period
Tennessee	Mandatory ⁱⁱⁱ	OT: 24 continued competency credits for the 2 years preceding the date of the 2 year license renewal OTA: 24 continued competency credits for the 2 years preceding the date of the 2 year license renewal
Texas	Mandatory	OT: 30 hours of continuing education every two years OTA: 30 hours of continuing education every two years
Utah	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
Vermont	Mandatory	OT: 20 hours of continuing education during the preceding two-year licensure period OTA: 20 hours of continuing education during the preceding two-year licensure period
Virginia	Mandatory	OT: 20 contact hours of continuing education activities every 2 years plus 160 hours of active practice. OTA: No requirements
Washington	Mandatory	OT: 30 hours of continuing education every two years OTA: 30 hours of continuing education every two years
West Virginia	Mandatory	OT: 12 hours of continuing education activities obtained within 1 year period OTA: 12 hours of continuing education activities obtained within 1 year period
Wisconsin	Mandatory	OT: 24 points of acceptable continuing education in a 2 year period OTA: 24points of acceptable continuing education in a 2 year period
Wyoming	Mandatory	OT: 16 hours of continuing education per year OTA: 16 hours of continuing education per year

ⁱ **Indiana** - House Bill 1821 requires the Indiana Occupational Therapy Committee to adopt rules establishing continuing competence requirement for licensure renewal. The bill was signed into law in 2007; rules are in development.

ⁱⁱ **Oregon** - Effective January 2008 a one time requirement of 7 points of CE on pain management must be completed as part of the 30 points of continuing education currently required.

ⁱⁱⁱ **Tennessee** - Beginning January 1, 2008, all applicants for licensure, renewal of licensure, reactivation of licensure, or reinstatement of licensure must attest to having completed continued competence requirements for the two (2) calendar years (January 1-December 31) that precede the licensure renewal, reactivation or reinstatement year.