



# Education Advisory

## RECO introduces changes to Continuing Education Policy

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RECO is introducing changes to the Continuing Education Policy effective November 1, 2009. Click [here](#) to view the new policy.

One key change we want to bring to your attention is that, beginning November 1, 2009, courses completed to obtain broker registration may not be used towards continuing education (CE) credits.

*The current Continuing Education Policy states...*

*Pre-registration courses (Course 1, Course 2, Course 3 General, Course 3 Advanced Residential or Course 3 Advanced Commercial), including any instruction time for these courses, do not qualify for CE credits under any circumstances.*

*New addition to the Continuing Education Policy...*

*Furthermore, any courses completed to fulfill the educational requirement for registration do not qualify for CE credits or for carry-forward credits. These include the three education courses taken in the initial two-year registration cycle (Real Property Law, the Course 3 Advanced course not completed during pre-registration, and one elective) as well as the Broker Course and additional elective required to qualify for broker registration.*

This change to the policy makes the application of the CE Policy consistent across all registration levels.

To facilitate the transition process of this new policy, a **two-month grace period** (until **December 31, 2009**) will be extended to registrants who are currently completing, or are registered for, the courses required for Broker registration and have intentions of using these credits towards their continuing education requirements. Any registrant who has completed the broker course or the additional pre-requisite articling course prior to January 1, 2010 will be able to apply these for a maximum of 18 carry-forward credits into their first CE cycle as a broker.

RECO's Continuing Education Policy outlines the requirements brokers and salespersons must comply with in order to apply for registration renewal or reinstatement under the *Real Estate and Business Brokers Act, 2002* (REBBA 2002). For more information on the Continuing Education Policy or inquiries about the policy, please contact [education@reco.on.ca](mailto:education@reco.on.ca).