



Massage Therapist Renewal and CE Requirements for 2021

The Board of Massage Therapists is always striving to keep their licensee base informed. In keeping with that tradition, please review the following information on license renewal and continuing education in Alaska for the license period ending on September 30, 2021.

License Renewal

- All massage therapists will be required to renew their massage therapist license on or before September 30, 2021.
- Licensees will have the ability to renew their license approximately 90 days before the end of the licensing period either online (if you have signed up for [MyLicense](#)) or by mail.
- Applications for the 2021 renewal will be available approximately 90 days before the end of the licensing period on the Board of Massage Therapists webpage for a paper application or a link to renew online via [MyLicense](#)
- **Prior** to submitting the renewal application, licensees will need to have completed 16 hours of continuing education between October 1, 2019 and on or before September 30, 2021.
- **Prior** to submitting the renewal application, licensees must have obtained a current CPR certification.
- Licensees will be required to submit a fingerprint card and fingerprint processing fee to complete their application.

Continuing Education

- All licensees must have completed 16 hours** of continuing education (including 2 hours of Ethics) between October 1, 2019 and the date they submit their renewal application (on or before September 30, 2021). **All continuing education must be completed prior to the submission of the renewal application for 2021**
- Please review the “Unacceptable Continuing Education” list available on the board’s website prior to registering for CE courses.
- Continuing Education must be completed through:
 1. Regionally or nationally accredited institution of higher education...approved by the board as directly relating to the skills and knowledge required for the practice of massage therapy

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2. Local, state, or national organization that serves the massage therapy profession such as ABMP, AMTA, FSMTB, or NCBTMB
- CE Certificates must have:
 1. Name of the licensee
 2. Amount of continuing education awarded
 3. Dates of actual participation or successful completion
 4. Name, mailing address, and signature of the instructor, sponsor, or other verifier
 - Current CPR certification is required to be held by licensees at all times. If you have taken a CPR course during the 2019-2021 licensing period (on or before the submission of the renewal application) and can provide proof the CPR course was hands-on (in-person), it may also be used for up to 2 hours of continuing education credit.

Random Audit

Licensees will be notified after the renewal period has ended on September 30, 2021 if they have been randomly selected for an audit. If the conditions of the audit are not met, the board could impose disciplinary sanctions such as a consent agreement to include: remedial classes, fines, and disciplinary actions.

All records must be kept for 4 years from the date the course/certification was obtained.

** Applicants for renewal who have been licensed more than 90 days, but less than 12 months are not required to submit proof of continuing education.

Contact this office in writing with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,



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