
BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS (ENG)

- Requires that the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors renew registrations biennially rather than annually, and accordingly changes the renewal fee from \$20 to \$40, to be paid biennially.
- Allows professional engineers and surveyors to complete continuing professional development hours during a two-year period, rather than annually, but doubles the 15 annual hours required to 30 hours for the two-year period.
- Increases from three to four the number of years records that demonstrate completion of the continuing professional development requirements must be retained.

Biennial registration for professional engineers and surveyors

(R.C. 4733.15 and 4733.151)

The act requires that professional engineers and professional surveyors renew their registrations with the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors biennially, rather than annually, beginning for renewals after December 31, 2011. Accordingly, the act changes the renewal fee from \$20 to \$40, to be paid biennially. Under prior law, registrations expired annually on the last day of December and become invalid on that date unless they were renewed by paying an annual renewal fee of \$20.

The act allows professional engineers and surveyors to complete their continuing professional development hours during a two-year period, rather than annually, but doubles the 15 annual hours required to 30 hours for the two-year period. Under prior law, to renew an annual registration, professional engineers and surveyors had to prove they had completed 15 hours of continuing professional development. Under the act, each registrant must complete at least 30 hours of continuing professional development during the two-year period immediately preceding the biennial renewal expiration date. (Out of the 30 hours of continuing education required by the act, a person who is registered as both a professional engineer and professional surveyor must complete ten (rather than five) hours in engineering-related coursework or activities *and* at least ten (rather than five) hours in surveying-related coursework or activities.) A registrant who completes more than 30 hours of approved coursework in a biennial renewal period



(compared to 15 hours in a calendar year under prior law) may carry forward to the next biennial renewal period a maximum of 15 hours of the excess hours, which is the same carryover for the annual renewal period.

The act increases from three to four years the number of years a registrant must retain records that demonstrate completion of the continuing professional development requirements.

