

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ATTORNEYS

Former Rule		Current Rule	
<i>Hour Requirement</i>			
24 hours of continuing legal education every two years.	Gov. Bar R. X, Sec. 3(A)(1)	No Change.	Gov. Bar R. X, Sec. 3(A)
2.5 hours of the total 24-hour requirement must include 1.0 hour of instruction on ethics, 1.0 hour of instruction on professionalism, and .50 hour of instruction on substance abuse.	Gov. Bar R. X, Sec. 3(A)(1)	2.5 hours of the total 24-hour requirement must include instruction on “professional conduct.” Attorneys are no longer required to earn a specific number of hours in ethics, professionalism, and substance abuse, but they are required to earn a minimum of 2.5 hours of instruction on topics designated as “professional conduct.”	Gov. Bar R. X, Sec. 3(B)
<i>Deadline to Complete Hours</i>			
Dec. 31 of every odd-numbered year for attorneys with last names beginning with the letters A through L. Dec. 31 of every even-numbered year for attorneys with last names beginning with the letters M through Z.	Gov. Bar R. X, Sec. 3(B)(1)	No Change.	Gov. Bar R. X, Sec. 4
<i>Deadline for Filing Final Reporting Transcript</i>			
Jan. 31 of every even-numbered year for attorneys with last names beginning with the letters A through L. Jan. 31 of every odd-numbered year for attorneys with last names beginning with the letters M through Z.	Gov. Bar R. X, Sec. 3(B)(1)	Attorneys will no longer be required to file a final reporting transcript.	