



# Kentucky Board of Dentistry

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## Continuing Education Requirements for Renewal of Licenses, Permits and Registrations

Dentists and dental hygienists licensed in Kentucky are required to earn 30 hours of continuing education during their two-year license period. However, some permits and registrations issued by the board have additional requirements for renewal. All CE hours must be completed by Dec. 31 of odd numbered years for dentists and even numbered years for dental hygienists. See the following chart for details:

Required CE for Renewal	All Licensed Dentists	Dentists w/ Sedation Permit(s)	All Licensed Dental Hygienists	Public Health Registered Hygienists	General Supervision Registered Hygienists	Reference
General CE (30 hrs) <sup>1, 2</sup>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	201 KAR 8:533, Sec. 9 201 KAR 8:563, Sec. 5
KASPER, Pain Mgt., or Addiction (3 hrs) <sup>3, 4</sup>	✓	✓				201 KAR 8:533, Sec. 10(1)(e)
Active CPR certification	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	201 KAR 8:533, Sec. 10(1)(c) 201 KAR 8:563, Sec. 6(1)(c)
Medical Emergencies (3 hrs, live) <sup>3</sup>				✓	✓	201 KAR 8:563, Sec. 15(1)(d) KRS 313.040, Sec. 7(a)2
Public Health (5 hrs) <sup>3</sup>				✓		201 KAR 8:563, Sec. 15(3)
Sedation/Anesthesia (4 hrs, classroom)		✓				201 KAR 8:550, Sec. 8(1)(d)
Active ACLS and/or PALS Certification <sup>5</sup>		✓				201 KAR 8:550, Sec. 8(1)(d)

<sup>1</sup> At least 10 of the 30 hrs must be in a live interactive setting, which generally includes courses conducted in-person and via real time teleconferencing platforms. At least 20 hrs must be directly related to clinical skills and knowledge development.

<sup>2</sup> Licensees who graduated during the renewal year of the current license cycle are exempt from the 30 hr requirement. Those who graduated the prior (non-renewal) year must only complete 15 hrs.

<sup>3</sup> May be included as part of the 30 hrs of required CE.

<sup>4</sup> Dentists without a DEA license are exempt from this requirement.

<sup>5</sup> ACLS required for adult sedation. PALS required for pediatric sedation.