



## How to Acquire a Pennsylvania Real Estate License

An individual who wants to take the salesperson's examination for the purpose of obtaining a standard salesperson's license shall:

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Must have either a high school diploma or an equivalency
- Must have a social security number
- Take and pass the both national and state portions of the salesperson examination for Pennsylvania.
- Include State Police criminal history background check
- Include official transcripts documenting completion of education requirements
- Submit a completed examination application to the Commission or its designee.
- Complete the appropriate state application. (Processing time is approximately 4-6 weeks)

You also must qualify under **one of the following** and submit the required documentation.

- Have successfully completed four educational credits or 60 hours, of the approved pre-licensing courses within 10 years prior to the date of successful completion of the licensing examination. Pre-licensing courses are Real Estate Fundamentals and Real Estate Practice as determined by the Commission. Offered by an accredited approved education provider and you must possess a passing grade for each within 3 years of the date of your application.
- A bachelor's degree with a major in real estate from an accredited college, university or institute of higher learning.
- A bachelor's degree from an accredited college, university or institute of higher learning, having completed coursework equivalent to a major in real estate.
- A juris doctor degree from an accredited law school.
- Credits will be allowed for each of the Commission-developed real estate courses—Real Estate Fundamentals and Real Estate Practice—when offered by:
  - An accredited college, university or institution of higher learning located outside this Commonwealth.
  - A real estate education provider in this Commonwealth approved by the Commission.
- Credits will be allowed for acceptable basic real estate courses when offered by:
  - An accredited college, university or institution of higher learning located outside this Commonwealth.
  - A real estate education provider outside this Commonwealth that has been approved by the real estate licensing authority of the jurisdiction where the real estate education provider is located.

**After passing the State Licensing Examination, a sponsoring broker is required for issuance of the Salesperson's License.**