

1 **11 NCAC 06A .0805 IS PROPOSED FOR AMENDMENT AS FOLLOWS:**

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3 **11 NCAC 06A .0805 CALCULATION OF ICECS**

4 The following standards are used to evaluate all courses submitted for continuing education approval:

- 5 (1) Programs requiring meeting or classroom attendance:
- 6 (a) Courses or clusters of courses of less than one ICEC ~~50 minutes~~ shall not be evaluated for
- 7 continuing education ICECs.
- 8 (b) Courses shall not be approved for less than one ICEC.
- 9 (c) One ICEC shall be awarded for each ~~50 minutes of instruction~~ instructional hour unless the
- 10 Commissioner assigns fewer ICECs based upon the evaluation of the submitted course
- 11 materials. Courses shall only be approved for whole ICECs.
- 12 (d) Course providers shall monitor participants for attendance and ~~attention~~. ensure that licensees
- 13 complete the course hours approved by the Commissioner.
- 14 (2) In addition to the requirements in Item (1) the following requirements apply to Independent study
- 15 programs:
- 16 (a) Independent study programs qualify for continuing education only when there is a supervised
- 17 examination. No examination administered or graded by insurance company personnel for its
- 18 own employees is considered to be administered by a disinterested third party. The
- 19 examination supervisor shall submit to the provider a sworn affidavit that certifies the
- 20 authenticity of the examination. The provider shall retain the affidavit and examination
- 21 records.
- 22 (b) Each course shall be assigned ICECs, which shall be awarded upon the passing of the
- 23 supervised examination.
- 24 (3) In addition to the following requirements in Item (1) the following requirements apply for Distance
- 25 Learning Programs:
- 26 (a) Distance learning qualifies only when an instructor is available to respond to questions and to
- 27 maintain attendance records.
- 28 (b) Any organization sponsoring a teleconference shall have an on-site instructor.
- 29 (4) Internet programs qualify only when there is a secure examination required at the end of the licensee's
- 30 study of the course material and when ~~periodic~~ security measures have been used throughout the
- 31 course ~~material~~ before the final examination.
- 32 (5) Security measures shall include the following:
- 33 (a) Each agent enrolls and pays for the course before having access to course material.
- 34 (b) The course examination cannot be accessed until after the course materials have been reviewed
- 35 and completed by the licensee.
- 36 (c) Agents are prevented from downloading course exams.

1 (d) Review questions are provided at the end of each unit or chapter and access to the following unit
2 or chapter is blocked until review questions are answered.

3 (e) Final exam questions do not duplicate unit or chapter questions.

4 (f) Course materials cannot be accessed during course exams.

5 (g) The test monitor affidavit is not completed until after the examination is completed.

6 ~~(5)~~(6) Webinar courses qualify only when there is a method of monitoring attendance, by way of a random
7 question and answer segment throughout the course, or a monitor at each location. Examinations are
8 not required in Webinar courses.

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