

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PROFESSION—CONTINUING COMPETENCE REQUIREMENTS

State	Status	Requirements
Alabama	Mandatory	OT: 3.0 CEUs (or 30 contact hours) biennially OTA: 2.0 CEUs (or 20 contact hours) biennially
Alaska	Mandatory	OT: 12 months or more of the concluding licensing period must have completed 24. Less than 12 months of the concluding licensing period must have completed 12 contact hours of continuing education during that licensing period. OTA: 12 months or more of the concluding licensing period must have completed 24 contact hours less than 12 months of the concluding licensing period must have completed 12 contact hours
Arizona	Mandatory	OT: 20 hours for renewal of a 2-year license period OTA: 12 hours for renewal of a 2-year license period
Arkansas	Mandatory	OT: 10 hours of continuing education each year OTA: 10 hours of continuing education each year
California	Mandatory	OT: 24 PDUs for each biennial renewal period OTA: 24 PDUs for each biennial renewal period 1 PDU=60 minutes
Colorado ¹	Mandatory	OT: Reflective Self-Assessment Tool (RSAT), 24 hours of Professional Developmental Activities (PDA) for a 2-year license period. Finalize the learning plan including completed PDA. OTA: Reflective Self-Assessment Tool (RSAT), 24 hours of Professional Developmental Activities (PDA) for a 2-year license period. Finalize the learning plan including completed PDA.
Connecticut	Mandatory	OT: 24 contact hours biennially OTA: 18 contact hours biennially
Delaware	Mandatory	OT: 20 hours CEUs for each license renewed biennially new licensees prorated OTA: 20 hours CEUs for each license renewed biennially new licensees prorated
District of Columbia	Mandatory	OT: 24 hours of approved continuing education credit biennially OTA: 12 hours of approved continuing education credit biennially
Florida	Mandatory	OT: 22 hours continuing education + 2 hours of Florida OT Laws & Rules + 2 hours of Prevention of Medical Errors = total 26 hours biennially OTA: 22 hours continuing education + 2 hours of Florida OT Laws & Rules + 2 hours of Prevention of Medical Errors = total 26 hours biennially
Georgia	Mandatory	OT: 24 hours of continuing education biennially; 14 hours must be related to direct "hands on" patient care; Each licensee must complete a minimum of two (2) hours of the required twenty-four (24) continuing education hours in the ethics of occupational therapy practice; 12 hours must be obtained by attendance at live presentations OTA: 24 hours of continuing education biennially; 14 hours must be related to direct "hands on" patient care; Each licensee must complete a minimum of two (2) hours of the required twenty-four (24) continuing education hours in the ethics of occupational therapy practice; 12 hours must be obtained by attendance at live presentations
Hawaii	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
Idaho	Mandatory	OT: At least 2 CE units and 10 hours of professional development units biennially OTA: At least 2 CE units and 10 hours of professional development units biennially
Illinois	Mandatory	OT: 24 contact hours of continuing education (CE) relevant to the practice of occupational therapy the 24 months preceding December 31 in the year of the renewal. OTA: 24 contact hours of continuing education (CE) relevant to the practice of occupational therapy during the 24 months preceding December 31 in the year of the

¹ Colorado program went into effect February 2015

		renewal.
Indiana	Mandatory	OT: 18 hours biennially, prorated if less than 24 months since license was issued. Nine (9) hours <u>must</u> be Category I courses; not more than nine (9) hours may be earned through Category II credits OTA: 18 hours biennially, prorated if less than 24 months since license was issued. Nine (9) hours <u>must</u> be Category I courses; not more than nine (9) hours may be earned through Category II credits
Iowa	Mandatory	OT: 30 hours of continuing education each biennium (by birth month) minimum of 20 hours shall be clinical in nature. OTA: 15 hours of continuing education each biennium (by birth month) minimum of 8 hours shall be clinical in nature.
Kansas	Mandatory	OT: 40 hours of Continuing Education (CEU) for the preceding two (2) year period, reported during the odd-numbered years. No evidence of CEU is required during even-numbered years OTA: 40 hours of Continuing Education (CEU) for the preceding two (2) year period, reported during the odd-numbered years. No evidence of CEU is required during even-numbered years
Kentucky	Mandatory	OT: (12) CCUs of qualified activities for maintaining continuing competence during the preceding annual renewal period (prorated if licensed less than 1 year) OTA: (12) CCUs of qualified activities for maintaining continuing competence during the preceding annual renewal period (prorated if licensed less than 1 year)
Louisiana	Mandatory	OT: 15 hours or 1.5 continuing education units (CEUs) annually; One CEU constitutes 10 hours of participation in an organized continuing professional education program approved by the board OTA: 15 hours or 1.5 continuing education units (CEUs) annually; One CEU constitutes 10 hours of participation in an organized continuing professional education program approved by the board
Maine	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
Maryland	Mandatory	OT: 12 contact hours consisting of a minimum of 8 contact hours related to occupational therapy principles and procedures and a maximum of 4 contact hours through occupational therapy role-related activities OTA: 12 contact hours consisting of a minimum of 8 contact hours related to occupational therapy principles and procedures and a maximum of 4 contact hours through occupational therapy role-related activities
Massachusetts	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements
Michigan	No requirements	OT: No requirements OTA: No requirements **Regulation pending
Minnesota	Mandatory	OT: 24 contact hours of continuing education in the 2 year licensure period; Licensees who are issued licenses for a period of less than two years shall obtain a prorated number of contact hours required for licensure renewal based on the number of months licensed during the two-year licensure period. OTA: 18 contact hours of continuing education in the 2 year licensure period; Licensees who are issued licenses for a period of less than two years shall obtain a prorated number of contact hours required for licensure renewal based on the number of months licensed during the two-year licensure period.
Mississippi	Mandatory	OT: 20 contact hours (CH) or 2 Continuing Education Unit (CEU) to be accrued during the licensure period. At least 6 CH or .6 CEU must be directly related to the clinical practice of occupational therapy. OTA: 20 contact hours (CH) or 2 Continuing Education Unit (CEU) to be accrued during the licensure period. At least 6 CH or .6 CEU must be directly related to the clinical practice of occupational therapy.
Missouri	Mandatory	OT: 24 continuing competence credits (CCC) for the 2 year license period. At least 50% of the CCCs

		<p>must be directly related to the delivery of occupational therapy services and the remaining CCCs must be related to one's practice area or setting</p> <p>OTA: 24 continuing competence credits (CCC) for the 2 year license period. At least 50% of the CCCs must be directly related to the delivery of occupational therapy services and the remaining CCCs must be related to one's practice area or setting</p> <p>1 CEU=10 CCCs 1 contact hour=1 CCCs</p>
Montana	Mandatory	<p>OT: 10 hours of continuing education annually</p> <p>OTA: 10 hours of continuing education annually</p>
Nebraska	Mandatory	<p>OT: 20 hours of continuing education for biennial license renewal beginning August 1 each even-numbered year through August 1 the following even-numbered year.</p> <p>OTA: 15 hours of continuing education for biennial license renewal beginning August 1 each even-numbered year through August 1 the following even-numbered year.</p>
Nevada	Mandatory	<p>OT: 12 hours of continuing education at annual renewal</p> <p>OTA: 12 hours of continuing education at annual renewal</p>
New Hampshire	Mandatory	<p>OT: 12 hours of continuing professional education annually, 6 of those hours need to be clinical application. 24 hours of continuing professional education biennially, 12 of those hours need to be clinical application</p> <p>OTA: 12 hours of continuing professional education annually, 6 of those hours need to be clinical application. 24 hours of continuing professional education biennially, 12 of those hours need to be clinical application.</p>
New Jersey	No requirements	<p>OT: No requirements</p> <p>OTA: No requirements</p>
New Mexico	Mandatory	<p>OT: 20 continuing education contact hours annually</p> <p>OTA: 20 continuing education contact hours annually</p>
New York	Mandatory	<p>OT: 36 hours of continuing competence learning activities each triennial registration period; 24 hours must be pertinent to the scope of practice of occupational therapy</p> <p>OTA: 36 hours of continuing competence learning activities each triennial registration period; 24 hours must be pertinent to the scope of practice of occupational therapy</p>
North Carolina	Mandatory	<p>OT: 15 hours each (annual) renewal year, every two (2) years all licensees shall document completion of at least one contact hour (one point) of an ethics course</p> <p>OTA: 15 hours each (annual) renewal year, every two (2) years all licensees shall document completion of at least one contact hour (one point) of an ethics course</p>
North Dakota	Mandatory	<p>OT: 20 contact hours (2.0 CEU's) within the twenty-four months prior to the date the completed application for renewal of licensure is received</p> <p>OTA: 20 contact hours (2.0 CEU's) within the twenty-four months prior to the date the completed application for renewal of licensure is received</p>
Ohio	Mandatory	<p>OT: 20 contact hours of continuing education activities within a 2-year renewal cycle, at least one contact hour of an ethics course</p> <p>OTA: 20 contact hours of continuing education activities within a 2-year renewal cycle, at least one contact hour of an ethics course</p>
Oklahoma	Mandatory	<p>OT: 20 hours every 2 years</p> <p>OTA: 20 hours every 2 years</p>
Oregon	Mandatory	<p>OT: 30 points of CE for the 2 years preceding the date of the 2 year license renewal</p> <p>OTA: 30 points of CE for the 2 years preceding the date of the 2 year license renewal</p> <p>Unless stated otherwise, one point equals one contact hour</p> <p>One time requirement for Pain CE.</p>
Pennsylvania	Mandatory	<p>OT: 24 contact hours per biennium</p> <p>OTA: No requirements</p>
Rhode Island	Mandatory	<p>OT: 20 hours biennially</p> <p>OTA: 20 hours biennially</p>
South Carolina	Mandatory	<p>OT: 16 hours of continuing education credit per biennium and must maintain continuing competence in compliance with NBCOT</p> <p>OTA: 16 hours of continuing education credit per biennium</p>

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South Dakota	Mandatory	OT: 12 continuing competency points in one year period in professional education activities OTA: 12 continuing competency points in one year period in professional education activities
Tennessee	Mandatory	OT: 24 continued competency credits for the 2 years preceding the date of the 2 year license renewal. 12 must be directly related to the delivery of occupational therapy services. OTA: 24 continued competency credits for the 2 years preceding the date of the 2 year license renewal. 12 must be directly related to the delivery of occupational therapy services.
Texas	Mandatory	OT: 30 hours of continuing education every two years; a minimum of 15 hours of continuing education must be in skills specific to occupational therapy practice OTA: 30 hours of continuing education every two years; a minimum of 15 hours of continuing education must be in skills specific to occupational therapy practice
Utah ²	No requirements	OT: 24 hours of continuing education OTA: 24 hours of continuing education
Vermont	Mandatory	OT: 20 hours of continuing education during the preceding two-year licensure period, 50% of continuing competency hours must be directly related to the delivery of occupational therapy services. All 20 must be type 1 hours. OTA: 20 hours of continuing education during the preceding two-year licensure period, 50% of continuing competency hours must be directly related to the delivery of occupational therapy services. All 20 must be type 1 hours.
Virginia	Mandatory	OT: 20 contact hours of continuing education activities every 2 years OTA: 20 contact hours of continuing education activities every 2 years
Washington	Mandatory	OT: 30 hours of continuing education every two years, a minimum of twenty hours must be directly related to the practice of occupational therapy. 1 suicide assessment, including screening and referral course. OTA: 30 hours of continuing education every two years, a minimum of twenty hours must be directly related to the practice of occupational therapy. 1 suicide assessment, including screening and referral course.
West Virginia	Mandatory	OT: 24 hours of continuing education activities obtained within 2 year period OTA: 24 hours of continuing education activities obtained within 2 year period
Wisconsin	Mandatory	OT: 24 points of acceptable continuing education in a 2 year period, at least 12 of the points shall be accumulated through professional development activities related to occupational therapy OTA: 24 points of acceptable continuing education in a 2 year period, at least 12 of the points shall be accumulated through professional development activities related to occupational therapy
Wyoming	Mandatory	OT: 16 hours of continuing education per year OTA: 16 hours of continuing education per year

²Utah enacted legislation in 2015 to establish continuing education requirements for licensure renewal; rules must be promulgated to implement the requirements..