National Association of REALTORS® Code of Ethics Requirement Frequently Asked Questions

The National Association of REALTORS® has mandated that all REALTORS® must complete an approved Code of Ethics class once *every three years.* The sixth cycle began January 1, 2019 and ends December 31, 2021. Failure to complete this obligation will result in the termination of the individual from the REALTOR® Association and the loss of all membership services and benefits.

How do I know if I have completed Ethics?

It's easy! Go to http://lirealtor.com and click on Profile. Log in with Stratus ID and password. Your profile page shows your completion status.

If I took a class that included 2.5 hours of the NAR Code of Ethics at LIBOR or NAR's online COE class since 1/1/2019, what should I do?

Not a thing! If you check your member profile on http://lirealtor.com/ethics you will see our message of congratulations.

Wait....I'm pretty sure I took Ethics in 2017 or 2018...

Seems like just yesterday, right? But you must RETAKE the course as a refresher now and will need to retake the course again every 3 years.

But I am a BROKER who is GRANDFATHERED/EXEMPT from taking CE in New York due to my years in the business! Do I need to take COE training?

Yes. All REALTORS® throughout the country must complete 2.5 hours of NAR COE training every 3 years.

Who is exempt from taking the NAR Code of Ethics training?

The only exemptions are:

- REALTORS® who hold Emeritus status. The REALTOR® Emeritus status eligibility requirements are:
 - Forty (40) years of REALTOR® or REALTOR-ASSOCIATE® (or both) membership
 - Proof of one (1) year of service* at the National
 Association level ("Service" is defined as serving as an
 NAR officer, director, committee member, Federal

Political Coordinator, Global Ambassador, or Global Coordinator to a country with which NAR holds a reciprocal agreement.)

 REALTORS® who have earned the C2EX Endorsement from the National Association of REALTORS®

If I joined LIBOR as a new member AFTER January 1st 2019, have I met the requirement?

YES! Every New Agent Orientation program offered incorporated a Code of Ethics presentation into the program.

Does the broker licensing class satisfy this Code of Ethics requirement? NO.

If I am a REALTOR® member of another association (such as HGAR or HANFRA) and LIBOR is my secondary association, what should I do? Email your Certificate of Completion to your primary association. LIBOR will not need to record your ethics satisfaction at all.

What if I lost my certificate from another school?

It is your responsibility to obtain another copy. This can usually be done by calling the sponsor of the course you took and requesting an original copy.

How much time do I have to complete the requirement?

Please don't wait – aren't you tired of our emails? We urge you to complete your requirement as soon as possible and once you do, all email reminders from LIBOR will end.

What if I can't remember if I took the class and I can't find any certificate of completion?

First, check your member profile on http://lirealtor.com. If you see that you have not satisfied your Code of Ethics, then go to http://lirealtor.com/ethics for the list of options on how to complete the course

I've already taken my 22.5 hours of required CE for my license. What am I going to do with another 2.5 hour class?

Since NY does not permit you to carry over extra CE credits, we recommend you take the FREE NAR course. http://lirealtor.com/ethics

I am an Appraiser, does the USPAP Course count towards the NAR Code of Ethics Requirement?

No, training on the USPAP or the rules of professional responsibility are not a substitute for training on the Code of Ethics because those courses don't deal with the Code of Ethics of the National Association and its obligations. The NAR course has appraisal modules you can select.

I am an Attorney, does my legal continuing education count? No, NAR mandates that all REALTOR® members take the training specifically on the REALTOR® Code of Ethics.

If I have fulfilled my obligation for now, will I have to do this again? YES! NAR has now mandated that REALTORS® must take an approved Code of Ethics class every three years. The next three-year period begins January 1st 2022, and ends December 31st 2024.