

Appraiser Qualifications Board
THE APPRAISAL FOUNDATION

June 16, 1997

Mr. Ben Henson
Executive Director
Appraisal Subcommittee
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Dear Ben:

The Appraiser Qualifications Board (AQB) received your letter dated May 27, 1997 regarding the continuing education requirements for State certified or licensed appraisers. The AQB considered your letter at its June 2, 1997 meeting and authorized me to respond.

In your letter, you describe the practice of several states extending the continuing education cycle beyond the credential renewal cycle. The result is that the state renews the appraiser's certificate or license without requiring concurrent compliance with the AQB continuing education requirements.

The current AQB continuing education requirement for the Licensed, Certified Residential and Certified General classifications states that:

The equivalent of ten classroom hours of instruction in courses or seminars for each year during the period preceding the renewal is required. (For example a two-year licensure term would require twenty hours.) Continuing education hours may be obtained anytime during the term.

I confirm that the intent of this requirement is that the appraiser must obtain ten hours of continuing education for each year of the period preceding the renewal. In this context, the state practices described above are not consistent with the AQB's continuing requirement.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Appraiser Qualifications Board with any additional questions regarding the Real Property Appraiser Qualification Criteria.

Sincerely,

Stephen G. Williams Chair
Appraiser Qualifications Board