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# MARYLAND EDUCATOR LICENSES CERTIFICATE-TO-LICENSURE CONVERSION

What's changed? What's stayed the same?

ADJUNCT		
	OLD	NEW
Time	1-year	No change
Renewable/Non-renewable	Renewed upon request of the school system	Renewable
Part-time/Full-time	Part-time	No change
Education Requirement	High school diploma or equivalent and Industry license, when applicable to the profession	No change
Years of Experience	5 years of satisfactory occupational experience in the field to be taught	No change
Subject	Issued only in teaching areas	No change
Special Considerations	The certificate is non-transferable between school systems.  The employing system shall provide:  (1) A professionally certificated mentor;  (2) Side-by-side coaching or co-teaching with a professionally certificated teacher;  (3) A minimum of 45 hours of professional development, with 30 hours delivered prior to entry to the classroom and the remainder to be delivered throughout the school year; and  (4) Evaluations of the individual's teaching effectiveness.	No change

CONDITIONAL  Conditional licenses are to be used only if a school system is unable to fill a position with a qualified person who holds a professional license.		
	OLD	NEW
Time	2-year	5-year or 3-year (for special education only)
Renewable/Non-renewable	Renewable for one, two-year period (Must complete 12 semester hours of course work towards professional certificate AND achieve a qualifying score on the basic skills teacher certification test	Non-renewable
Education Requirement	Bachelor's degree (unless in a Professional Technical Education area)	No change
Subject	Issued only in teaching areas	No change

### Teaching Requirements in Maryland, Continued

RESIDENT TEACHER		
	OLD	NEW
Time	2-year	3-year
Renewable/Non-renewable	Non-renewable	No change
Education requirement	Bachelor's	No change
Special Conditions	<ul> <li>Obtain qualifying score on a Department-approved test in basic skills or a comparable state-approved test in basic skills</li> <li>Obtain a qualifying score on a Department-approved content area test or a comparable state-approved content test; and</li> <li>Present official documentation from the local superintendent of schools, or a Department-recognized head of an organization of nonpublic schools, of completion of standards-based preemployment training that includes:         <ul> <li>(a) A minimum of 90 hours of study that may consist of a combination of semester hours and clock hours and that</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Enrollment in Maryland- approved alternative preparation program
	are based on Maryland Essential Dimensions of Teaching or the Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium standards and include:  (i) Elementary reading processes and acquisition or  (ii) Secondary teaching reading in the content areas part I;  (b) Enrollment in a Department-approved alternative preparation program; and  (c) An internship that was part of a Department-approved alternative preparation program.	AND  Mentoring by a qualified teacher
Subject	Issued only in teaching areas	No change

MONTESSORI PROFESSIONAL		
	OLD	NEW
Time	Lifetime	No change
Renewable/ Non-renewable	N/A – not required	No change
Education Requirement	Bachelor's	No change
License	Valid credential from The American Montessori Society, The Association Montessori Internationale, or a program accredited by the Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education	No change
Special Conditions	AND: Submits a passing score on the Praxis 5205 Teaching Reading: Elementary assessment	AND: Passing scores on an approved reading instruction assessment or attestation of proficiency through observation completed by an MSDE-approved assessor

## Teaching Requirements in Maryland, Continued

TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL		
5	OLD	NEW
Time	2- year	No change
Renewable/Non-renewable	Non-renewable	No change
Education Requirement		
Special Conditions	Issued to an out-of-state applicant who has completed an out-of-state program and/or has an out-of-state certificate while they complete Maryland tests.      Differentiates those who were prepared and/or licensed out of state with individuals who have no preparation or out-of-state licensure.	Out-of-state program completer or license holder who only needs Maryland certification assessments
Subject	Issues only in teaching areas	No change

INITIAL PROFESSIONAL  This licensure area is formerly known as the "MD Professional Eligibility Certificate or Standard Professional Certificate I."		
	OLD	NEW
Time	5-year	No change
Renewable/Non-renewable	Renewable by an applicant not currently employed as a professional in a MD School system by presenting 6 semester hours of acceptable credit.  The SPCI shall be renewed once for an applicant whose service was interrupted during the validity period if the applicant presents 6 semester hours of acceptable credit.	Renewable
Education Requirement	Bachelor's	No change
Special Conditions	Before the expiration of the Standard Professional I Certificate, the applicant shall meet the requirements to obtain the Standard Professional II Certificate or the Advanced Professional Certificate.	No change



#### **PROFESSIONAL**

This licensure area is formerly known as the "MD Standard Professional Certificate II."

	OLD	NEW
Time	5-year	No change
Renewable/Non-renewable	Non-renewable	No change
Education Requirement	Bachelor's	No change
Years of Experience	Issued to an applicant who completes the SPC I, is employed by a MD local education agency or publicly funded nonpublic school, and submits the following:  1. Verification of 3 years of satisfactory school-related experience 2. 6 semester hours of acceptable credit**; and 3. A professional development plan for the Advanced Professional Certificate (APC).	Completes a Maryland induction program or has 3 years of effective performance
Special Conditions	Before the expiration of the Standard Professional II Certificate, the applicant shall meet the requirements to obtain the Advanced Professional Certificate or the Extended Standard Professional II Certificate.	No change

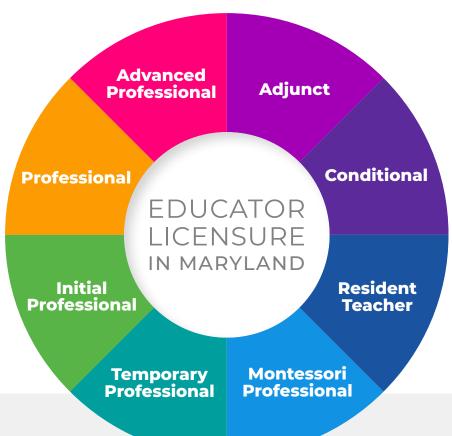


#### **ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL**

This licensure area is formerly known as the "MD Advanced Professional Certificate."

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	OLD	NEW
Time	5-year	No change
Renewable/Non-renewable	Renewable	No change
Education Requirement	<ol> <li>Master's degree, including 6 semester hours related to the teacher's specific discipline or the specialist's specific assignment</li> <li>Earned at least 36 semester hours of approved content or professional education course work directly related to public school education, earned after the conferral of the bachelor's degree or higher, including at least 21 graduate credits, or which 6 credits shall be related to the teacher's specific discipline or the specialist's specific assignment</li> <li>Obtained National Board Certification and earned a minimum of 12 semester hours of approved graduate course work, earned after the conferral of the bachelor's or higher degree and related to the teacher's specific discipline or the specialist's specific assignment.</li> </ol>	Master's degree, 30-semester hour course of study, or Nation- al Board Certification
Special Conditions	3 years of satisfactory school-related experience	Completes a Maryland induction program or has 3 years of effective performance

#### Teaching Requirements in Maryland, Continued



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