



# New MCLE Rules

Effective January 1, 2016

The 2013-2015 reporting group (the reporting group that needs to finish credits by **December 31, 2015** and certify by **February 1, 2016**) will need to meet the current requirements. The 2014-2016 reporting group will be the first group affected by the new MCLE rules.

## Credit Requirements

45 total credits every three years  
6 ethics credits

**NEW: 15 Law and Legal Procedure credits** - can only be earned by attending or presenting courses in substantive law and practice skills.

**NEW: No live credit requirement**

## NEW Approved CLE Subjects:

Professional development

Personal development and mental health

Office management

Improving the legal system

## Other ways to earn MCLE credit:



### Writing

Published by a recognized publisher of legal works as a book, law review or scholarly journal article for the purpose of lawyer education - 10 pages minimum.



### Teaching law school courses

Instructor cannot be a full-time law school professor.



### Prep time

Presentation must be at least 30 minutes in duration. Limited to five credits per hour of presentation time.



### Judging law school competitions

Judging or preparing law school students for law school recognized competitions, mock trials or moot court. No training required.



### Providing pro bono legal services

Providing pro bono legal services through a qualified legal services provider. No training required.



### Mentoring

Participating, as a mentor or mentee, in a structured mentoring program approved by the MCLE Board.

**NEW User-friendly MCLE Member Portal coming January 1, 2016**

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