

————— *How to get your* —————
ALABAMA REAL ESTATE LICENSE

Getting licensed for your new career might seem a bit daunting, but we're here to guide you through the process. Read on to learn the six steps you'll need to take before starting your career in Alabama real estate.



Prerequisites

To start, you must first be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident alien, or legally present in the U.S. You must be at least 19 years of age, show proof of bona fide residency in any state in the U.S., and have proof of high school graduation or the equivalent. You must not have been convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude, and you must not have had a real estate application or license rejected or revoked in any state within the past two years.

1 Complete 60 hours of approved Pre-Licensing education.

Successfully complete an approved 60 clock hour Pre-Licensing course.

The CE Shop offers this mandatory course through its advanced web-based platform, where the best of the classroom is combined with the flexibility and convenience of online learning. We prepare you for your licensing exam while providing you with the knowledge you need to begin a promising career in real estate. Find out more [here](#).

2 Pass the course final exam.

After you complete all the course materials, meet the minimum time requirement, and pass the practice exam, there is a course final exam. The minimum passing score is 75%. Licensees will have 6 months from the time they pass their course exam to pass their Alabama Real Estate Salesperson exam.

You must take the final exam in the presence of a proctor, and you'll need to schedule an appointment with a proctor in advance. Find out more about our online proctoring [here](#).

3 Pass the Alabama Real Estate Salesperson Exam.

After passing the course final exam, you will take your Alabama licensing exam. The State portion of this exam consists of 40 questions with a 60-minute time allowance and the National portion consists of 100 questions with a 150-minute time allowance. For more information, see the [PSI Candidate Information Bulletin](#).

4 Choose a sponsoring broker.

After passing your licensing exam, you must become associated with a current and active Alabama sponsoring broker. This broker will be a career and education mentor providing you with an inside view into the day-to-day operations of a real estate agent. Here are some questions to consider when searching for the right broker:

- What is their reputation, both locally and nationally?
- What kind of real estate agents are they looking for?
- Are they technologically advanced and up-to-date with the latest systems?
- How do they support their agents with education and training?
- What kind of commission structure do they offer?
- Do they offer benefits?
- Do they provide their agents with leads and marketing material?
- Is there room to grow with the brokerage?

5 Complete the application.

Within 90 days of passing your licensing exam, you must submit your official application and any applicable fees, as well as a fingerprint-based federal and state criminal background check. Once the application has been accepted, you'll be issued a temporary license. Information on the background check can be found [here](#).

6 Complete Post-licensing.

Within the first 12 months of licensure, you must complete a [30-hour Post-Licensing course](#) in order to be issued a permanent license. The Post-Licensing course must be completed along with the permanent license issued within the first 6 months in order to maintain an active license.