

IOWA LICENSURE STRUCTURE – The first years



Initial License

First regular teaching license – two year license (first issuance may be longer)

Requirements:

- complete **current** approved teacher education program
- minimum of bachelor's degree
- must file licensure application materials to obtain
- only renewable twice
- valid for regular and substitute teaching

Renewal information:

Must file renewal application with Iowa Board of Educational Examiners (BOEE)

No renewal credits required

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Comments:

Two years of Iowa teaching experience (three if out of state or non-public school) required to move to the Standard License. After first issuance renew only if necessary for Iowa teaching employment (less than two or three years of teaching experience acquired and currently hold a **regular** teaching position in Iowa). If living out of state no need to renew. No penalty for letting a license become inactive unless actively teaching in Iowa. This license is recognized outside the State of Iowa when applying for out of state licensure/certification.



Substitute License

Five year license (first issuance may be longer)

- complete teacher education program (need not be current)
- minimum of bachelor's degree
- must file licensure application materials to obtain
- valid only for substitute teaching – any subject area any grade level
- may be renewed as often as necessary
- not recognized outside Iowa

Renewal information:

Must file renewal application with BOEE

Verify 90 days of substitute teaching during term of license or 1 s.h. credit from community college or four year institution. May also complete 1 renewal credit through local or area AEA.

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Standard License

Five year license

- requires two years teaching experience in Iowa; three for out of state or non- public school
- must file application materials with BOEE to obtain
- valid for regular and substitute teaching
- may be renewed as often as necessary

Renewal information:

Must file renewal application with BOEE

Six credits every five years -see guidelines on BOEE web site (www.boee.iowa.gov)

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OTHER LICENSES AND AUTHORIZATIONS AVAILABLE IN IOWA (see web site for complete list):

Coaching Authorization – Substitute Authorization – Master Educator License – Administrator License – Conditional Licenses (Class B or C) – Career and Technical License – Behind the Wheel Driving Instructor Authorization

BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS WEB SITE: (www.boee.iowa.gov)