

South Department of Education

Educator Certification

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The purpose of the Office of Educator Certification Web site is to help educators and the general public find up-to-date, relevant information pertaining to all facets of teacher certification, including the certification process, regulation changes, updating existing certificates and links to information for educators.

Any changes or updates to an individual's certification file require submission of a [Request for Change/Action form](#) (33Kb PDF) to the Office of Educator Certification, Landmark II Office Building, Suite 500, 3700 Forest Drive, Columbia, SC 29204.

Important Resources

- [Application Procedure](#)
- [Request Information](#)
- [Steps to Certification](#)
- [Changing a Certificate](#)
- [Recertification](#)
- [Suspended Certificate - Reinstatement Fee](#) (12Kb PDF)
- [Initial to Professional](#)
- [Examinations required for certification](#)
- [Required Credentials for Professional Staff Members](#)

- [Regional Accreditation Information](#)
- [South Carolina Educator Certification Manual \(790Kb PDF\)](#)

Additional Resources & Information

- [Information regarding background checks for participants in out-of-state online educator preparation programs \(66Kb PDF\)](#)
- [How-to print certificate \(42Kb PDF\)](#)
- [Standards of Conduct for South Carolina Educators \(45Kb\)](#)
- [Praxis/ETS](#)
- [Certification Hot Topics](#)
- [National Board Certification](#)
- [Public School Employment](#)

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