

**INSURANCE COUNCIL OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
("Council")

**REVISION OF COUNCIL RULES COURSE REQUIREMENT**

Council introduced the Council Rules Course in 2016 (see Council Notice ICN 16-001 *Continuing Education Requirement for New Licensees – Introduction of a Council Rules Course*) after finding that licensees were not fully aware of their regulatory responsibilities. The course provides instruction on a licensee's responsibilities under Council Rules, provincial legislation, and other regulatory responsibilities.

Council recently reviewed the requirement to complete the Council Rules Course, specifically with respect to which applicants or licensees it should apply and whether the course should be a pre or post-licensing requirement.

Currently, all individuals who obtain an insurance licence for the first time on or after March 1, 2016 are required to complete the course before the end of their first licence period. Council has now updated the Council Rules Course requirement as set out below.

**New Council Rules Course Requirements**

1. Effective **June 1, 2018**, all individuals who obtain an insurance licence in British Columbia are required, under Council Rule 7(5), to complete the Council Rules Course during their first licence period, except those that qualified for their insurance licence under the Reactivation Provision in Council Rule 2(19).
2. Effective **March 1, 2019** and in accordance with Council Rule 2(14), all individuals must complete the Council Rules Course to qualify for licensure with Council, except those that qualify for licensure under the Reactivation Provision in Council Rule 2(19).

For specific details regarding Council Rule 2(19) – Reactivation Provision, please visit Council's website at [insurancecouncilofbc.com](http://insurancecouncilofbc.com), and click on *Council Rules*.

As a reminder, the Council Rules Course is available online, qualifies for four (4) CE credits and is required of both resident and non-resident licensees. Council continues to recommend that all licensees consider taking the course.

**NOTICE**

Details regarding how to enroll in and complete the Council Rules Course are available online at:

<b>Provider</b>	<b>Licence Type</b>	<b>Website</b>
<b>Advocis</b>	Life and Accident and Sickness and Accident and Sickness	<a href="http://advocis.ca/ALC/licensing-ICBC.aspx">advocis.ca/ALC/licensing-ICBC.aspx</a>
<b>IBABC</b>	General Insurance and Insurance Adjusters	<a href="http://advance.captus.com/ib/ibabc/courses-icbc.aspx">http://advance.captus.com/ib/ibabc/courses-icbc.aspx</a>

If you have any questions about CE requirements, the Council Rules Course, or this Notice, please contact Regulatory Services by emailing [info@insurancecouncilofbc.com](mailto:info@insurancecouncilofbc.com) or calling Council's main number, and at the prompt press "2".

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