



Steps to Becoming a Licensed Real Estate Broker

STEP 1: DETERMINE IF ELIGIBLE

To become a licensed real estate broker you must be at least 18 years old, have a Social Security number or an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN), have proof that you completed at least eight college-level courses in specific subject matter* and two years of licensed salesperson experience in the last five years or equivalent.

*Except for members of the California State Bar

STEP 2: COMPLETE AND SUBMIT AN EXAM APPLICATION (EXAM ONLY)

Complete and submit examination application along with education and experience documents and appropriate fee**. For fastest service [Apply Online](#) or you may download a [Broker Examination Application \(RE 400B\)](#) and follow the instructions for submittal.

STEP 3: SCHEDULE AND TAKE AN EXAM

After DRE approves your application, you must pass a computer based multiple choice exam.

*Reasonable accommodation examinations are available. Please review the [RE 413](#) form.

STEP 4: APPLY FOR LICENSE After passing the exam, you'll be eligible to download your license application from eLicensing on DRE's website. Submit the completed application, required fees ** and Live Scan fingerprints.

STEP 5: LICENSE ISSUED!

DRE approves your license application, you can print your license certificate from DRE's website.

STEP 2: COMPLETE AND SUBMIT A COMBINATION EXAM/LICENSE APPLICATION (EXAM AND LICENSE)

Complete and submit examination/license application along with education and experience documents, proof of Live Scan fingerprints and appropriate fee**. For fastest service [Apply Online](#) or you may download a [Broker Examination License Application \(RE 436\)](#) and follow the instructions for submittal.

STEP 3: SCHEDULE AND TAKE AN EXAM

After DRE approves your application, you must pass a computer based multiple choice exam.

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STEP 4: LICENSE ISSUED!

Once your license is issued, you can print your license certificate from DRE's website.

** Please refer to [Exam, Licensing and Petition Fees \(RE 206\) form](#) for current fees.