

Your Chance to Comment

ARRT has recommended the following changes to its governing documents. Because the documents apply to all Registered Technologists (R.T.s), it's important for you to review the changes and let ARRT know what you think.

Have another opinion, idea, or solution? Want to let us know why you support these changes? After reviewing the proposed changes, take our online <u>survey</u>. **Comments are due Tuesday, July 11.**

ARRT Rules and Regulations

PROPOSED CHANGE	HOW IT AFFECTS YOU	WHY THE CHANGE?
In Section 5.04, add candidates for certification and registration to the requirement that people promptly notify ARRT of any change in their mailing address.	If you're a candidate for ARRT certification and registration, you must promptly notify ARRT of any change in your U.S. Postal Service mailing address.	We've already required this of people who are certified and registered with ARRT. We've added candidates to the requirement so that we can provide them with official ARRT notices through the U.S. Postal Service when necessary.
In Section 5.05, require all ARRT registrants to promptly notify ARRT of any changes in the email addresses they wish to use for ARRT correspondence.	If you're certified and registered with ARRT, you must promptly notify us of any change in the email address you wish to use for ARRT correspondence.	As we continue to conduct more business transactions electronically, it's important for us to have accurate email addresses on file for everyone who's certified and registered with ARRT.
Also in Section 5.05, require ARRT registrants to review any emails from ARRT and— if requested to do so—check their private ARRT online account to review important notices regarding their requirements for obtaining or maintaining certification and registration.	If you're certified and registered with ARRT, you're obligated to review your emails from ARRT and, when requested, to check your private ARRT online account and review important notices from us.	As we continue to conduct more business transactions electronically, it's important for ARRT registrants to review their electronic correspondence from us just as they would any ARRT correspondence they receive through the U.S. Postal Service. This change indicates that it's a registrant's responsibility to look for and review electronic correspondence from ARRT.

The revisions below support ARRT's transition to online business transactions.

ARRT Standards of Ethics

In the Standards of Ethics, there were only a few alterations, primarily wording changes to clarify rules and improve accuracy.

PROPOSED CHANGE	HOW IT AFFECTS YOU	WHY THE CHANGE?
Clarify Rule 18, which prohibits violating a state or federal narcotics or controlled substance law	You would violate ARRT's Standards of Ethics if you broke state or federal laws concerning narcotics or controlled substances—even if you aren't charged with or convicted of breaking a law.	The wording clarifies that R.T.s must not break federal or state laws concerning narcotics and controlled substances. It's an ethics violation to do so—even if you aren't charged with or convicted of a crime.
Require R.T.s, and candidates for an ARRT credential, to interact professionally and respectfully with ARRT's Board of Trustees, Ethics Committee, and staff.	If you're certified and registered with ARRT, or if you're a candidate for an ARRT credential, you must interact professionally and respectfully with ARRT's Board of Trustees, Ethics Committee, and staff in proceedings involving a challenge or ethics review. If you don't, our Ethics Committee or Board of Trustees can assign the same sanctions as if you'd failed to observe the Rules of Ethics.	We've changed the wording to make it clear that everyone must interact professionally with representatives of ARRT.
ARRT is considering a teleconference option for R.T.s or candidates who request hearings before the Ethics Committee.	If you're certified and registered with ARRT, or if you're a candidate for an ARRT credential, and you request a hearing with ARRT's Ethics Committee, you may have the options of choosing to appear: In person By teleconference By submitting written testimony	We proposed this change to address a new teleconference option for Ethics Committee hearings. ARRT's Board of Trustees might strike this proposed change if, in July 2017, it decides against allowing a teleconference option.
	If you then fail to appear at the hearing in person or by teleconference, or if you fail to supply a written submission in support of your request for a hearing, you by default will be consenting to whatever actions the Ethics Committee determines to take.	

ARRT Continuing Education Requirements

Throughout the Continuing Education (CE) Requirements, we've updated dates and terminology to make this document consistent with other ARRT documents. We've also rearranged some sections to keep related information together.

PROPOSED CHANGE	HOW IT AFFECTS YOU	WHY THE CHANGE?
Clarify what information a transcript must contain if you're selected for a CE audit.	 If you're selected for a CE audit, you must supply a full copy of a transcript (official or student) that includes: The college or university's name The month and year in which you completed the course An indication of a passing grade if the class is evaluated pass/fail An indication of grade C or better if the course is evaluated with letter grades 	When R.T.s submit their CE documents, some neglect to provide all the information we need. This change clarifies what information ARRT needs from a transcript.
Explain the documentation requirements for R.T.s enrolled in academic courses solely to gain CE credits (not academic credit)	 If you take an academic course for CE credits rather than academic credit, you must submit: A certificate of participation on institutional letterhead That includes the month and year in which you completed the course And indicates a passing grade if the class is evaluated pass/fail or a grade of C or better if the course is evaluated with letter grades And states that you met the same course requirements as are specified for students enrolled for academic credit 	This clarifies documentation requirements for people seeking CE credits only, as opposed to academic credit, from a college or university

Announce that Category A CE credits for academic semester courses will increase to 18 credits for each semester credit hour.	If you report an academic semester course for CE credit, at some point you will earn 18 rather than 16 CE credits. ARRT has not yet determined the date of this change.	This increase reflects the translation between semester credits and content hours assigned by colleges and universities.
Clarify how many CE credits Registered Radiologist Assistants (R.R.A.s) must earn in each category to satisfy CE requirements	 If you're an R.R.A., you must earn 50 CE credits each biennium. Of those credits: At least 25 must be from Category A+ The remaining 25 credits may be any combination of Categories A, A+, or P 	The new wording clarifies how many credits must come from each category.

Thanks for reviewing! Now you're ready to comment via the <u>survey</u>.