



Your Chance to Comment

ARRT's Board of Trustees has recommended the following changes to our 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? Go online to [this survey](#). Comments are due by June 30, 2020.

ARRT Rules and Regulations

The only change to the *ARRT Rules and Regulations* this year involves a reminder that R.T.s must check their online ARRT accounts periodically.

Proposed Change	How It Affects You	Why the Change?
<p><i>Section 5.05</i></p> <p>Add the wording in red:</p> <p>All registrants have an obligation to review any e-mails from the ARRT and, whether prompted to or not, to periodically check their private ARRT online account to review important notices regarding the registrant's requirements to obtain or maintain certification and registration.</p>	<p>ARRT periodically provides information through your online ARRT account. You're responsible for knowing that information—even if you don't receive an email or a U.S. Postal Service letter alerting you that the information is there.</p>	<p>As we increase the use of electronic technology to communicate with R.T.s, we want to reinforce your obligation to periodically check your online ARRT account.</p>



ARRT Continuing Education (CE) Requirements

Throughout the *Continuing Education Requirements*, we've updated numbering, and we've changed terminology to be consistent with other ARRT documents. In addition, we've changed references to the credential card because we'll be [discontinuing paper credential cards](#) on Dec. 31, 2020.

In addition, we removed the [list of organizations with current RCEEM status](#). Refer to the list on our website for up-to-date information.

Below are other suggested revisions.

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<p><i>Sections 6, 8, 17, and 19</i></p> <p>Delete sections previously numbered 6 and 8, because those options for satisfying CE requirements during a biennium have expired.</p> <p><i>Section 6</i></p> <p>There are three options for meeting the CE Requirements. Only one option must be met to satisfy the requirements. The options are: (1) earn 24 CE credits that meet the criteria set forth by ARRT; (2) earn certification and registration in a primary discipline not previously held and for which the individual is eligible and which ARRT recognizes for this purpose; (3) earn postprimary certification and registration not previously held and for which the individual is eligible and which the ARRT recognizes for this purpose. Each of these options</p>	<p>Earning CE credits is now the only option for satisfying our CE requirements. We no longer accept new credentials for continuing education.</p>	<p>These options for satisfying CE requirements during a biennium have expired.</p>



is described in further detail in Section 7 and Section 8. Options two and three above are time limited. Earning an additional certification will no longer receive CE credit effective for CE bienniums beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

Section 8

Earning an additional certification will no longer receive CE credit effective for CE bienniums beginning on or after January 1, 2018. Within a biennium, R.T.s who become certified and registered in an additional primary or postprimary discipline have met the CE Requirement for the current reporting period. In order to use an additional primary or postprimary certification and registration, R.T.s must first receive official notification from ARRT that they have successfully passed the examination and have become certified and registered in the new discipline. On-site scores are not considered official notification. Examples of primary certifications and/or registrations that have been recognized by the ARRT for CE compliance are: (1) Radiography through ARRT, (2) Nuclear Medicine Technology through ARRT or



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~~NMTCB, (3) Radiation Therapy through ARRT, (4) Sonography through ARRT, (5) Magnetic Resonance Imaging through ARRT, (6) Dosimetry through MDCB, and (7) Diagnostic Medical Sonography (AB, BR, OB/GYN, PS), Vascular Technology (VT), Diagnostic Cardiac Sonography (AE, FE, PE), or Musculoskeletal (MSKS) through the ARDMS (initial certification—that is passing both SPI and a specialty exam) is awarded 24 CE credits; exams in additional specialty areas, will qualify for 16 ARRT CE credits with CE bienniums beginning on or after January 1, 2013. Examples of recognized postprimary certifications and/or registrations for CE compliance are: (1) Mammography through ARRT, (2) Computed Tomography through ARRT, (3) Magnetic Resonance Imaging through ARRT, (4) Quality Management through ARRT, (5) Sonography through ARRT, (6) Vascular Sonography through ARRT, (7) Bone Densitometry through ARRT, (8) Vascular Interventional Radiography through ARRT, (9) Cardiac Interventional Radiography through ARRT, (10) Breast Sonography through ARRT, (11) Radiologist Assistant through ARRT, (12) Nuclear Cardiology through NMTCB, (13) Positron~~



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~~Emission Tomography through NMTCB, (14) Certified Imaging Informatics Professional through ABII, (15) The Certified Radiology Administrator (CRA) certification program is sponsored by the AHRA and independently managed by the Radiology Administration Certification Commission (RACC), and (16) Cardiovascular Credentialing International (CCI) certification (i.e., RCES, RCIS, RCS, or RVS) earned on or after January 1, 2016. CE credits will not be awarded for an initial ARRT primary certification and registration or re-examination for reinstatement of certification and registration. NOTE: Earning an additional certification will no longer receive CE credit effective for CE bienniums beginning on or after January 1, 2018.~~

Section 17(1)(c)

~~Earning an Additional Certification and/or Registration (Beginning January 1, 2018, earning an additional certification and/or registration will no longer equate to 24 CE credits. CE credits will be awarded for the structured education completed by the R.T. to meet the eligibility requirements to apply for the additional certification and~~



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<p>registration.) ARRT Breast Sonography (24 CE credits) ARRT Vascular Sonography (24 CE credits) ARDMS initial certification (24 CE credits) ARDMS specialty certification following initial certification (16 CE credits with CE bienniums beginning on or after January 1, 2013.)</p> <p>Section 19</p> <p>CPR Instructor or Instructor Trainer: no longer receives CE credit with CE bienniums beginning on or after January 1, 2015. is not eligible for CE credit.</p>		
<p>Sections 10, 19</p> <p>Make this change:</p> <p>The state licensing agencies currently approved as meeting ARRT criteria are Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New Mexico, Texas, and Oregon.</p>	<p>The state regulatory agency responsible for licensure in Texas is the Texas Medical Board. Its approval to evaluate and award CE based on ARRT criteria will expire on Aug. 31, 2020.</p> <p>The ARRT Board previously approved Texas as a state licensing agency through Aug. 31, 2020. That allowed time for R.T.s to report CE activities that Texas had previously approved.</p>	<p>Since the Texas Board of Medicine assumed responsibility for state licensure in Texas, it hasn't been evaluating CE activities or awarding CE credits.</p>
<p>Section 12</p> <p>Make this change:</p>		



<p>The R.T. is responsible for keeping the original documents for a minimum of five full years after completing the activity.</p>	<p>You should keep your original documents of CE participation for a minimum of five full years after completing an activity.</p>	<p>Doing so ensures that you keep the documents long enough to meet CQR reporting needs, if necessary.</p>
<p><i>Section 12</i></p> <p>Delete the following:</p> <p>The ARRT accepts the CE records from the Florida state licensing agency only for the R.T.s licensed by Florida.</p>	<p>If you're an R.T. licensed in Florida and ARRT requests proof of compliance with our education requirements, you'll need to submit certificates of participation to demonstrate that compliance.</p>	<p>ARRT continues to recognize the Florida state licensing agency as an organization that can approve CE activities. If you're licensed by Florida, however, the state licensing agency doesn't provide you with records you can submit to show compliance with ARRT requirements. Therefore, you should keep your certificates of participation and submit them if necessary.</p>
<p><i>Sections 16 and 19</i></p> <p>Make this change:</p> <p>NOTE: Category P credits will no longer be accepted by ARRT for CE activities completed January 1, 2023 or later.</p>	<p>If you're a Registered Radiologist Assistant (R.R.A.), ARRT won't accept Category P credits for CE activities completed Jan. 1, 2023, or later.</p>	<p>We intended for Category P credits to ensure ample opportunities for R.R.A.s to meet their biennial CE requirements until sufficient Category A+ credits were available.</p>



		The number of R.R.A.s reporting Category P credits to meet biennial CE requirements has steadily declined since 2016, as more Category A+ credits have become available.
<p><i>Section 18</i></p> <p>Make this change:</p> <p>NOTE: CE credit for applications training delivered at a facility cannot be used to satisfy education requirements linked to ARRT content outlines (i.e., Structured Education, CQR) for CE activities completed January 1, 2024 or later.</p>	<p>If you earn CE credits for applications training delivered at your facility, ARRT will only accept the credits toward your biennial CE requirement. We won't accept them for compliance with our Structured Education requirement or for Continuing Qualifications Requirements (CQR).</p>	<p>When applications training takes place in your facility—particularly in a place where patients receive care—attendees are more likely to have their training interrupted with work responsibilities. If you don't complete a portion of the training, the link between the approved CE activity content and the ARRT content outline is no longer accurate.</p>
<p><i>Section 19</i></p> <p>Make these changes:</p> <p>NOTE: Effective Jan. 1, 2022, CE credit will no longer be awarded or accepted for publication in a peer-reviewed journal or other publications.</p> <p>Note: Effective Jan. 1, 2022, CE credit will no longer be awarded or accepted for presenting or authoring CE activities.</p>	<p>Beginning Jan. 1, 2022, CE credit will no longer be awarded or accepted for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing or publishing an article • Preparing for or delivering a presentation 	<p>The quantity of CE opportunities available to R.T.s has increased significantly since the inception of CE requirements for ARRT. Very few R.T.s use these types of activities to meet their biennial CE requirements. And we don't allow you to use these types of credits to comply with our Structured Education requirement or with CQR.</p>



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The ARRT *Continuing Qualifications Requirements* (CQR) document includes one clarification.

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<p><i>Section 4.7</i></p> <p>Add the wording in red:</p> <p>CE credits used for CQR compliance must be completed after the SSA and must have an assigned credit distribution at the time of reporting.</p>	<p>If you want to use CE credits for CQR compliance, you must complete those CE credits after you've completed your Structured Self-Assessment (SSA).</p>	<p>This isn't a change in policy, just a clarification. Your SSA is intended to clarify gaps in knowledge. Therefore, CE activities that address those gaps must take place after you complete your SSA.</p>

Thanks for reviewing! Now you're ready to comment using our [survey](#).