CALCULATING RENEWAL CREDITS

The following Michigan certificates are valid for up to five years and must be renewed by completion of six semester hours of academic credit from an approved institution, or the completion of 150 State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECHs)/SB-CEUs, or a combination of the two:

- The School Guidance Counselor license
- The School Psychologist certificate (after September 1, 1992)
- The School Administrator certificate (Also for continued employment)

The following Michigan certificates are valid for up to five years and must be renewed by completion of six semester hours of academic credit from an approved institution, the completion of 150 State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECHs)/SB-CEUs, or district provided professional development (DPPD)(in compliance with PA 289, 1995 Section 380.1527), or a combination of the three:

- The Professional Education certificate
- The Occupational Education certificate

The following Michigan certificate is valid initially for six years and must be renewed by completion of six semester hours of academic credit from an approved institution, the completion of 150 State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECHs)/SB-CEUs, or a Master's Degree earned at any time. District provided professional development (DPPD)(in compliance with PA 289, 1995 Section 380.1527) may also be used when moving from the provisional to the professional:

The Provisional Education certificate

The following table will help you calculate the different types of credit available for recertification and continued employment purposes:

Example:

Semester Hours Completed x 25	Hours Earned as SB-CEUs x 10	Hours Earned as SCECHs	Hours Earned as DPPD	Total Hours Needed
3 hours	2.5 SB-CEUs	20	30	
3 x 25 = 75 hrs	2.5 x 10 = 25 hrs	20 SCECHs	30 DPPD	150
75	+ 25	+ 20 +	30 =	150

Your renewal credit worksheet:

Semester Hours Completed x 25	Hours Earned as SB-CEUs x 10	Hours Earned as SCECHs	Hours Earned as DPPD	Total Hours Needed (150)

Revised: 8.21.2014 Original: 8.2.2012 On May 18, 2012, revisions to the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) Teacher Certification Code were signed and made effective (with some sections effective September 1, 2013). As a result of rule changes, unforeseen restrictions on educators and the inability to renew a Provisional certificate or progress to the Professional Educator Certificate occurred. While MDE is currently working to revise these rules, the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators (MAISA) requested a waiver on behalf of the 56 Intermediate School Districts to waive two aspects of the current rules, effective immediately. This waiver request has been granted by the State Superintendent, Mike Flanagan.

"Master's Degree Earned at Any Time"

Previous rules contained language that allowed the use of an approved master's degree, earned at any time, to be used for purpose of renewal of a Provisional certificate or progression to the Professional Education certificate. The current rule revision effective September 1, 2013 placed time limitations on earned master's degrees which eliminated the master's degree or higher as an option to renew or progress a teacher's certification. This approved waiver allows teachers to use an approved master's degree "earned at any time" to renew a Provisional certificate or progress to the Professional Education certificate regardless of when it was earned, to meet their professional learning requirement.

Professional Learning Hours (180) vs. DPPD (150)

In addition, the Teacher Certification Code from May 18, 2012 set forth two different professional learning amounts depending on which professional learning option was being utilized. This approved waiver allows applicants to renew their Michigan Provisional certificate or progress to the Professional Education certificate by obtaining 150 professional learning hours regardless of the option used. Note: District Provided Professional Development (DPPD) cannot be used for Provisional certificate RENEWAL.

DPPD Clarification:

Recent clarification of MCL 380.1527 and Teacher Certification Code also enabled MDE to remove the limitation restricting the use of DPPD to a maximum of 30 hours per school year. We will no longer have a cap of 30 hours per school year for DPPD. Teachers will need a total of 150 hours over the 5 year period as prescribed in rule for progression to the Professional Education certificate or Professional Education certificate renewal.

Applicants who are impacted by this waiver and/or clarification and have previously been denied certificate renewal or progression to the Professional Education certificate may reapply using the Michigan Online Educator Certification System (www.michigan.gov/MOECS) if they now meet the professional learning requirements, as well as the other requirements specified in rule.