



Certification Regulations

Effective September 24, 2020

Impact of changes on currently issued certificates

Regulations Area	If you were:	Then you may:	However:
Reciprocity with Other States (Interstate Flexibility)	Issued a Temporary Initial certificate, AND Hold a valid certificate or have completed a state approved program that leads to full certification from any of the following states: Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia.	No longer need to pass the RI tests, as you are now eligible to get Full Initial certificate(s).	If you reach out to the Certification office by Dec 31, 2020, you may be able to convert your Temporary Initial certificate to a Full certificate without incurring additional fees. You may contact the evaluation specialist identified on your status form, which is located in Correspondence in your My eCert portal.
Certificates for <i>English to Speakers of Other Languages</i> OR <i>Special Education</i>	Issued an Emergency preliminary certificate in a content area (e.g., Math, Science, or English) as a pre-requisite to be eligible for a preliminary certificate in ESOL or Special Education.	No longer need to meet the requirements as stated on your status form for the content area (e.g., Math, Science, English); and also be eligible to get the Full certificate in ESOL or Special Education.	If you reach out to the Certification office by Dec 31, 2020, you may be eligible to receive the new certificates, without incurring additional fees. This may not impact all ESOL/Special Education certificate areas. You may contact the evaluation specialist identified on your status form, which is located in Correspondence in your My eCert portal.

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