

**CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS**  
**TITLE 5. EDUCATION**  
**DIVISION 8. COMMISSION ON TEACHER CREDENTIALING**

**§ 80037. Specific Requirements for and Authorization of the Designated Subjects Preliminary and Clear Special Subjects Teaching Credential.**

(a) The minimum requirements for the preliminary special subjects teaching credential shall include all of the following:

(1) Experience, or experience and education, or education in each special subject to be named on the credential, which totals four years. One year of the required experience shall be within the three-year period immediately preceding the issuance of the credential. This requirement shall be verified in one of the following ways:

(A) for the special subject: Aviation Flight and/or Aviation Ground Instruction, experience is to be verified by the Federal Aviation Agency;

(B) for the special subject: Basic Military Drill, experience is to be verified by the adjutant general of the State of California; ~~or~~

(C) for the special subject: Reserve Officers Training Corp (R.O.T.C.), experience is to be verified by the branch of military service sponsoring the program in the employing school district; ~~or~~

(D) for the special subject: Driver Education and Training, a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university and a valid California Driver's License; ~~;~~

(E) for the special subject: Limited Driver Training, submission of a current transcript of driving record from the Department of Motor Vehicles.

(2) License, or recommendation, or course work shall meet one of the following criteria:

(A) for the special subject: Aviation Flight and/or Aviation Ground Instruction, possession of a properly rated valid certificate, issued by the Federal Aviation Agency;

(B) for the special subject: Basic Military Drill, a recommendation from the adjutant general of the State of California;

(C) for the special subject: R.O.T.C., a recommendation from the branch of military service sponsoring the program in the employing school districts;

(D) for the special subject: Driver Education and Training, twelve semester hours of subject-matter course work in driver education;

- (E) for the special subject: Limited Driver Training, a valid California driver's license; ~~submission of a current transcript of driving record from the Department of Motor Vehicles;~~ possession of a written statement from the prospective employing school district attesting to the applicant's ability to actually perform behind-the-wheel driver instruction; and possession of written assurance, from the prospective employing school district, that adequate supervision and appropriate staff development will be provided for the individual receiving the limited driver training authorization.
- (3) Verification of a high school diploma or the equivalent;
- (4) Verification of knowledge of the Constitution of the United States, as specified in Education Code Section 44335, by one of the means described in Section 80415;
- (5) ~~Verification of passage of Satisfy the California Basic Education Skills Test basic skills requirement for the special subjects credential in Driver Education and Training, as specified in Education Code Section 44252;~~
- (6) ~~Verification by the Employing School District (ESD) or a Commission-approved Local Education Agency (LEA) that the applicant is aware of the requirements for the clear credential, including the program of personalized preparation;~~
- (7) Submission of a completed ~~a~~Application for Credential Authorizing Public School Service form as specified in Section 80001; ~~a recommendation signed by a Commission-approved LEA or the ESD on a form approved by the Commission;~~ the fee as specified in Section 80487(a)(1); ~~verification as specified for requirements (a)(1) through (a)(6); and personal identification on duplicate fingerprint cards~~ verification of completion of livescan and clearance by the Commission, unless clearance is already on file with the Commission;
- (8) Recommendation from a Commission-approved program of personalized preparation as defined in §80034.1(a).
- (b) The minimum requirements for the clear special subjects teaching credential shall include all of the following:
- (1) A valid preliminary special subjects teaching credential;
- (2) ~~Verification by the ESD of t~~Two years, or the equivalent, of successful teaching as defined in subsection 80034(f) and as authorized by the preliminary special subjects teaching credential. "Two years of successful teaching" means teaching for a minimum of one course in each of four terms;
- (3) ~~Verification by a Commission-approved LEA of completion of nine semester units, or 135 clock hours, in a Commission-approved program(s) of personalized preparation~~Completion of a Commission-approved program of personalized preparation based on the *Standards of Quality and Effectiveness for Career/Technical Education Teachers* (rev. 5/09), available on the Commission's website and hereby incorporated by

reference, accredited by the Committee on Accreditation as specified in Education Code Section 44373(c);

- (4) ~~Verification of completion of~~ The study of health-unit requirement education as specified in Education Code Section 4426144259(c)(4)(A), by one of the means specified in Section 80421;
  - (5) Submission of a completed ~~a~~ Application Authorizing Public School Service form as specified in Section 80001; ~~a recommendation signed by a Commission-approved LEA and/or the ESD on a form approved by the Commission; and the fee as specified in Section 80487(a)(1); and verifications as specified for requirements (b)(2), (b)(3) and (b)(4).~~
  - (6) Recommendation from a Commission-approved program of personalized preparation as defined in §80034.1.
- (c) The minimum requirements for the Special Teaching Authorization in Physical Education shall include all of the following:
- (1) Possession of a valid preliminary or clear special subjects teaching credential in Basic Military Drill or R.O.T.C.;
  - (2) Satisfy the basic skills requirement as specified in Education Code Section 44252;
  - (3) Verification of Physical Education subject-matter knowledge by passage of an examination(s) as provided in Education Code Sections 44280, 44281, and 44282 or by completion of a subject-matter program as provided in Education Code Section 44310;
  - (4) Submission of a completed Application Authorizing Public School Service as specified in Section 80001 and the fee as specified in Section 80487(a)(1).
- (ed) Authorization.
- (1) The preliminary ~~or clear~~ Special Subjects teaching credential authorizes the holder to teach the subject, named on the credential, in grades 12 and below, and classes organized primarily for adults;
  - (2) The clear Special Subjects teaching credential authorizes the holder to teach the subject, named on the credential, in grades 12 and below, and classes organized primarily for adults, including services to English learners in specially designed content instruction delivered in English;
  - (3) The Special Teaching Authorization in Physical Education authorizes the holder to teach physical education courses in basic military drill and physical fitness training in grades 12 and below, and classes organized primarily for adults.
- (de) Period of Validity. The period of validity of the preliminary and clear special subjects teaching credentials shall be as follows:

- (1) A preliminary special subjects teaching credential issued on the basis of the applicant's satisfaction of all requirements excepting (a)(4) shall be valid for one year. The one-year preliminary special subjects teaching credential shall be extended to the full five-year preliminary period upon verification of satisfaction of requirement (a)(4) and submission of a completed application form and the fee, as specified in Section 80487;
- (2) A preliminary special subjects teaching credential issued on the basis of the applicant's satisfaction of all requirements specified in subsection (a) shall be valid for five years;
- (3) A clear special subjects education teaching credential issued on the basis of the applicant's satisfaction of all requirements specified in subsection (b) shall be valid for five years and is renewable on the basis of an application and payment of a fee.

Note: Authority cited: Section 44225, Education Code. Reference: Sections 44252, 44259(c)(4)(A), 44260.4, ~~44261~~44280, 44281, 44282, 44310, ~~and 44335~~; and 44373(c), Education Code.