



# Credential Information Alert

**DATE: April 17, 2019**

**NUMBER: 19-02**

**SUBJECT: Approved Regulations Regarding Extensions by Appeal for  
Teaching Credentials**

## **Summary:**

The purpose of this Credential Information Alert (CIA) is to provide additional guidance on the information provided in [Coded Correspondence 19-04](#) regarding the approval of Title 5 regulations that expand two-year and three-year extensions for teaching credentials to any qualified educator required to complete a teacher induction program. These changes went into effect March 7, 2019.

## **Key Provisions:**

The approved amendments to California Code of Regulations, Title 5 Sections 80413 and 80523 have removed the disparities between credential types and pathways to allow for the issuance of two-year and three-year extensions of time to any teacher holding a preliminary or Level I teaching credential that requires completion of a Commission-approved teacher induction program, regardless of the preparation pathway used to earn the initial credential.

The key provisions apply to holders of Single Subject, Multiple Subject, and Education Specialist teaching credentials only.

## **Important Dates:**

March 7, 2019 – The approved changes in regulations take effect. Applications must have an issuance date of March 7, 2019 or later to take advantage of these provisions.

## **Background:**

California prepared general education teachers issued their preliminary teaching credential on or after August 30, 2004 were required to complete a Commission-approved teacher induction program to qualify for the clear credential. Since February 2009, that group of California prepared general education teachers whose circumstances did not allow them to complete the induction program during the term of their preliminary credential have had the option to qualify for two-year and three-year extensions of time, if they could meet certain specific criteria. Due to changes in statute and regulations over the last several years, most preliminary and Level I general education and special education credential holders must now complete a Commission-approved teacher induction program, whether they completed their initial teacher preparation inside or outside California.



Prior to the changes in regulation, educators prepared outside California and all special education credential holders were limited to extensions of only one year. As induction programs are generally two years in length, these educators were often faced with the added time and costs of submitting multiple applications to maintain a current credential and remain enrolled in their induction program. The approved regulations now provide these educators the opportunity to qualify for longer extensions of time when required to complete a teacher induction program for the clear credential.

**References:**

Credential Leaflet AL-3: *Extension by Appeal for Credentials and Permits*

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/leaflets/al3.pdf?sfvrsn=2>

Form CL-884: *Request for a Three-Year Extension for Multiple Subject, Single Subject and Education Specialist Teaching Credentials*

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/leaflets/cl884.pdf?sfvrsn=0>

Form CL-885: *Request for a Two-Year Extension for Multiple Subject, Single Subject and Education Specialist Teaching Credentials*

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/leaflets/cl885.pdf?sfvrsn=0>

Title 5 California Code of Regulations §80523.

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