

ALABAMA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

BOARD UPDATE

April 29, 2026

Greetings!

The Board has successfully certified the proposed rules changes that were published in December 2025. Thank you to everyone that submitted comments. These rules were certified and became effective April 13, 2026. Most of the changes were housekeeping in nature except for the continuing education rule.

Rule 500-X-2-.14 was amended to align continuing education requirements with the national model recommendations. Below is a summary of the amendments:

- Reduction of the number of continuing education hours required for renewal from 16 to 12 hours per calendar year,
- Addition of the continuing education audit procedures,
- Removal of carry-over hours to the following renewal period,
- Requirement that all 12 hours must be HSW related.

These changes have been made in effort to streamline license renewals and address common questions regarding continuing education. You can view the rule changes at <https://abela.alabama.gov/proposed-rule-amendments/>.

The Board is here to protect the public and remove any unnecessary barriers to licensure. The Board and staff are available to address questions and receive comments related to all processes and procedures. Please contact us as needed or join us for meeting. Board meetings are open to the public and the schedule is posted on the Board and State websites.

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