

CLE DEADLINE CHANGES

Effective September 18, 2020, the Supreme Court ordered amendments to the MCLE Rules and Regulations that move the MCLE compliance deadlines to the spring.

1. What are the new deadlines?

The new deadline to complete MCLE credits is April 30 and the new deadline to electronically certify and submit MCLE reports is May 31.

2. How does this affect my reporting period?

Reporting period end dates have changed from December 31 to April 30 the following year. Reporting deadlines have changed from January 31 to May 31. The chart below illustrates this change.

Old reporting period end date (deadline to complete MCLE credits)	Old reporting deadline (deadline to electronically certify and submit report)	New reporting period end date	New reporting deadline
12/31/20	1/31/21	4/30/21	5/31/21
12/31/21	1/31/22	4/30/22	5/31/22
12/31/22	1/31/23	4/30/23	5/31/23
12/31/23	1/31/24	4/30/24	5/31/24
Etc.			

3. Are these changes permanent?

Yes. The reporting period end date will be April 30 and the reporting deadline will be May 31 for all reporting periods going forward.

4. What about recently reinstated attorneys in a short reporting cycle?

These changes apply to ALL active attorneys. Reinstated attorneys whose date of reinstatement is on or after September 18, 2020 must complete their 15 credits by April 30 the calendar year following their reinstatement and certify and submit their report by May 31 that year. Attorneys reinstated prior to September 18, 2020 will have a reporting period end date based upon the chart above.

5. What about newly admitted attorneys?

The first reporting period for attorneys admitted on or after September 18, 2020 begins on their date of admission and ends April 30 the following calendar year. They must certify and submit their compliance report by May 31 the year after admission.

6. What if I was admitted prior to this change?

The first reporting period for attorneys admitted before September 18, 2020 begins on their date of admission and ends according to the chart in question 2 above.