



National Board Certification

Type of Preparation	California Credential Held	Credential Requested	Requirements/Notes/References	Credential Issued
Out-of-State Prepared	None	Initial Multiple Subject	Holds NBC* indicated on CL-561 and has fingerprint clearance. Exempt from BSR, EL authorization and degree verification.	Clear Multiple Subject
	None	Initial Single Subject	Holds NBC* indicated on CL-560 and fingerprint clearance. Exempt from BSR, English Learner (EL) authorization and degree verification. Holders of NBC in ‘Science’ must provide a copy of the individual’s NBPTS “My Profile” status page report which indicates the specific science certificate specialty area, out-of-state credential, or transcripts showing degree major or 32 semester units in area requested. May earn a Foundational-Level General Science authorization if cannot submit profile page report, out-of-state credential, degree major or units.	Clear Single Subject
	None or General Education Teaching	Initial Education Specialist	Holds NBC* indicated on CL-808 and fingerprint clearance. Exempt from BSR, EL authorization and degree verification. Holders of NBC in ‘Special Education’ must provide a copy of the individual’s NBPTS “My Profile” status page report which indicates the specific special education certificate specialty area, out-of-state credential, or transcripts showing program in comparable specialty area requested.	Level II Education Specialist

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Out-of-State Prepared	Preliminary Multiple Subject	Clear Multiple Subject	Holds NBC* indicated on CL-561. Exempt from EL authorization requirement and all renewal requirements listed on preliminary credential.
	Preliminary Single Subject	Clear Single Subject	Holds NBC* indicated on CL-560 in area of preliminary. Exempt from EL authorization requirement and all renewal requirements listed on preliminary credential.
	Level I Education Specialist	Level II Education Specialist	Holds NBC* indicated on CL-808. Exempt from EL authorization requirement and all renewal requirements listed on Level I credential <i>except</i> generic program. R19J, R19H, RG3, RG5, or RSG renewal codes on Level I credential requires providing a photocopy of the NBPTS “My Profile” status page report that indicates specific special education certificate specialty area.
California Prepared	Preliminary Multiple Subject	Clear Multiple Subject	Holds NBC* indicated on CL-561C. Exempt from all renewal requirements listed on preliminary credential.
	Preliminary Single Subject	Clear Single Subject in subject area of Preliminary	Holds NBC* indicated on CL-560C in area of the preliminary. Exempt from all renewal requirements listed on preliminary credential.
	Level I Education Specialist	Level II Education Specialist in Level I specialty area	Holds NBC* indicated on CL-808C. Exempt from all renewal requirements listed on Level I credential.

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California or Out-of- State Prepared	Preliminary Multiple Subject	Preliminary Single Subject	Holds NBC* in subject area indicated on CL-560 and 560C. Must complete renewal requirements to earn Clear Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials.
	Preliminary Single Subject	Preliminary Multiple Subject	Holds NBC* in subject area indicated on CL-561 and 561C and must pass the CSET: Multiple Subjects Examination prior to issuance of the Preliminary Multiple Subject Credential. Must complete renewal requirements to earn Clear Multiple and Single Subject Credentials.
	Preliminary Single Subject	Add another subject area to Preliminary Single Subject	Holds NBC* in subject area indicated on CL-560 and 560C. Document will have same expiration date as original preliminary credential. Must complete renewal requirements to earn Clear Single Subject Credential.
	Clear or Life Multiple Subject	Clear Single Subject	Holds NBC* in subject area indicated on CL-560 and 560C. No additional requirements are needed. If clear credential includes an English learner authorization, it will be included on new document.
	Clear or Life Single Subject	Clear Multiple Subject	Holds NBC* in subject area indicated on CL-561 and 561C and must pass the CSET: Multiple Subjects Examination prior to issuance of the Multiple Subject Credential. If clear or life credential includes an English learner authorization, it will be included on new document.
	Clear or Life Single Subject	Add another subject area to Clear Single Subject	Holds NBC* in subject area indicated on CL-560 and 560C. No additional requirements are needed. If clear credential includes an English learner authorization, it will be included on new document. <i>Life credential holders earn a separate clear credential.</i>
	Preliminary Multiple Subject	Clear Single Subject	Holds NBC* in subject area indicated on CL-560 and 560C. Must either complete renewal requirements for the Clear Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials or hold an out-of-state teaching credential in subject area of NBC. An additional application and fee is required to issue a clear Multiple Subject Teaching Credential.
	Preliminary Single Subject	Clear Multiple Subject	Holds NBC* in subject area indicated on CL-561 and 561C and must pass the CSET: Multiple Subjects Examination prior to issuance of the Preliminary Multiple Subject Credential. Must either complete renewal requirements for the Clear Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials or hold an out-of-state teaching credential in subject area of NBC. An additional application and fee is required to issue a clear Single Subject Teaching Credential.
	Preliminary Single Subject	Add another subject area and earn a Clear Single Subject	Holds NBC* in subject area indicated on CL-560 and 560C. Must either complete renewal requirements for the Clear Single Subject Teaching Credential or hold an out-of-state teaching credential in subject area of NBC.

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California or Out-of-State Prepared	California teaching credential with bachelor's degree and teacher preparation or clear full-time designated subjects credential with degree and BSR	Initial Reading Certificate	Holds NBC* in Literacy: Reading–Language Arts at the grade level indicated as listed on CL-812. Prerequisite California teaching credential must be valid at time of application.	Clear Reading Certificate
	Any or None	Initial Career Technical Education (CTE)	Holds NBC* as listed on CL-888. Must select the industry sector that aligns with the subject area listed on the NBC. Only 8 of the 15 industry sectors are available via this route.	Clear CTE Teaching without SDAIE authorization.
	Teaching credential/permit or services credential with special class authorization	Initial CLAD Certificate or English Learner authorization	Holds NBC* in English as a New Language at the grade level as listed on CL-628C. Prerequisite California teaching document must be valid at the time of application.	Clear CLAD Certificate or English Learner Authorization added to prerequisite teaching credential
	California teaching credential with bachelor's degree and teacher preparation or clear full-time designated subjects credential with degree and BSR	Initial Teacher Librarian Services	Holds NBC* in Library Media at the grade level as listed on CL-562. Prerequisite California teaching credential must be valid at the time of application.	Clear Teacher Librarian Services
	Any or None	Initial Pupil Personnel Services in School Counseling	Holds NBC* in School Counseling at the grade level as listed on CL-606 and 606C.	Clear PPS in School Counseling

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Notes

Out-of-state prepared teachers who apply based on National Board Certification are exempt from the California Basic Skills Requirement (BSR) and the English learner authorization requirement.

References

Coded Correspondences 99-9901: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/notices/coded/1999/999901.pdf>, 01-0005: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/notices/coded/2001/010005.pdf>, 01-0015: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/notices/coded/2001/010015.pdf>, 10-03: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/notices/coded/2010/1003.pdf>, and 12-02: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/notices/coded/2012/1202.pdf>.

Information Leaflets

Adding a Teaching or Subject Area to Multiple and Single Subject Credentials: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl621a.pdf>
 Adding a Teaching or Subject Area to General or Standard Teaching Credentials: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl621.pdf>