

## QUALIFICATIONS FOR A MONTANA CLASS 1 PROFESSIONAL TEACHER'S LICENSE

A Class 1 Professional Teacher's License is valid for a period of five years.

### ***INITIAL REQUIREMENTS:***

To obtain a Class 1 Professional Teaching License an applicant must have:

- \* A Class 2 Standard Educator License or meet the qualifications of the Class 2 Standard Educator License; ***and***
- \* A master's degree or one year of study consisting of at least 30 graduate semester credits beyond the bachelor's degree in professional education or an endorsable teaching area(s) from an accredited college or university; ***and***
- \* Verification of three years of successful teaching experience.

### ***RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS:***

A Class 1 Professional Teaching License is renewable with 60 renewal units.

### ***REINSTATING A LAPSED LICENSE:***

A lapsed Class 1 Professional Teaching License may be reinstated by showing verification of:

- \* 60 renewal units earned during the five year period preceding the validation date of the new license; ***or***
- \* 120 renewal units earned during the nine-year period preceding the validation date of the new license.

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