

# *The PATH Intl. Instructor Compliance Process*

Once PATH Intl. instructor status has been achieved, membership type will change to "Instructor Member." Membership must be renewed each year by submitting membership dues along with a compliance form which includes:

- Documentation of 20 hours of continuing education with the applicable CEU category identified for each activity  
(see Compliance Form)
- A signed PATH Intl. Code of Ethics for Instructors  
(see Compliance Form)

The PATH Intl. Instructor Compliance Form will be provided annually along with instructor membership renewal notices. The compliance form may also be obtained from the PATH Intl. website at <https://www.pathintl.org/resources-education/certifications>.

Regardless of when certification is achieved, a compliance form on the next membership renewal date. **For the FIRST year as a certified instructor**, the educational hours spent obtaining certification (i.e. OSWC, on-line courses and riding lessons) to satisfy continuing education requirements. In subsequent years, continuing education activities will need to be completed and documented on the compliance form.

**Failure to meet annual compliance requirements will result in an instructor status of “non-compliant”. Note that instructor candidates cannot receive credit for teaching hours completed under the supervision of an instructor with a “non-compliant” status.**

**Requests for reinstatement of instructor status will need to be made in writing to the PATH Intl. office. These will be reviewed and processed based on the current reinstatement policy in place. A reinstatement fee will apply. If a candidate is past the maximum reinstatement period, their certification will be considered null and void and the certification process will need to be started over.**

Continuing Education hours are referred to as clock hours, not credit hours. An Instructor Compliance Form must be submitted to PATH Intl. with annual instructor membership dues and must reflect education completed in the last twelve months (i.e. A compliance form submitted with membership dues at the end of March 2015 will include all continuing education from April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015). Continuing education hours completed more than 12 months prior to the membership anniversary date will not be accepted.

Continuing education activities should be educational opportunities that promote the pursuit of professional development and benefit you in your work as a PATH Intl. Certified Instructor. Activities should encourage self-reflection, enhance instructor skills and techniques, and expand knowledge of EAAT, equine management and welfare. Accepted continuing education activities are not limited to those sponsored by PATH Intl. Please visit the CEU Guidelines page on the [www.pathintl.org](http://www.pathintl.org) website for more information on acceptable CEU activities and relevant categories.