Connecticut Real Estate Cheat Sheet 2026

The night-before summary, built like the exam.

— Scored questions	**—** Time limit	**70%** Passing score
$59 Exam fee	**Connecticut Department …** Governing body	**—** Pass rate

The numbers to remember

These figures define the exam's shape more than any single content fact — lock them in first, before you re-check any topic details.

- General portion: 80 questions / 120 minutes
- State portion: 35 questions / 45 minutes
- Combined: 110 questions / 165 minutes
- 5-10 unscored experimental questions may appear in either portion
- Passing score: 70% on EACH portion separately
- Exam fee: $59.00 first attempt; $51.00 per retake
- Application fee: $80.00 (separate from exam fee)
- Prelicense course: 60-hour Real Estate Principles and Practices
- Minimum age: 18
- Pass both portions within 1 year of eligibility; unlimited retakes in that window
- License activation deadline: 2 years from most recently passed portion
- License activation fee: $590.00 (requires broker supervision)
- License expires: May 31 of even-numbered years

Content domains and weights

General portion (national):

- Contracts — 19%
- Agency — 13%
- Practice of Real Estate — 12%
- Financing — 10%
- Property Ownership — 10%

State portion (Connecticut, by item count out of 35):

- Connecticut Laws Governing the Activities of Licensees — 11 items
- Connecticut Real Estate Agency — 9 items
- Connecticut-Specific Real Estate Laws — 8 items
- Connecticut Real Estate Licensing Requirements — 7 items

High-yield review areas

- Contracts and Agency together carry the largest share of the General portion — review these last the night before
- Licensee-activity rules are the single largest State-portion block; don't assume national agency knowledge covers Connecticut's version

- Financing and Property Ownership are smaller but still worth a quick pass since each is 10% of the General portion
- Remember the State portion is scored separately from the General portion — a strong General score cannot offset a failed State portion

Top traps

These are the mistakes that trip up otherwise well-prepared candidates on exam day.

- Treating the exam as one combined score instead of two separately-graded portions requiring 70% each
- Confusing national agency/contract rules with their Connecticut-specific counterparts on the State portion
- Losing track of the one-year eligibility window to pass both portions
- Forgetting the application fee ($80.00) is separate from the exam fee ($59.00)
- Running out of time on the General portion's 80 questions by over-analyzing early items instead of pacing evenly across 120 minutes
- Assuming a passing average score exists across both portions combined — each portion must independently clear 70%
- Skipping review of the smaller State-portion blocks (Licensing Requirements, Specific Laws) just because they carry fewer items — every item still counts fully toward that portion's 70% threshold

Official sources

- Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection (DCP), License Services Division — Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection Real Estate Salesperson and Broker Licensing Candidate Information Bulletin (PSI Services LLC, Updated 11/13/2025) -- official vendor bulletin, candidate portal https://test-takers.psiexams.com/ctre: https://test-takers.psiexams.com/api/content/bulletin/1007
- Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection (DCP), License Services Division — Real Estate Salesperson - Initial/Exam Application | CT.gov Department of Consumer Protection: https://portal.ct.gov/dcp/license-services-division/all-license-applications/real-estate-salesperson---initialexam
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