

Rules for Mandatory Continuing Legal Education

Rule 9.

Professionalism.

A. Within twelve (12) months of being admitted to the Bar, or within twelve (12) months of being licensed to practice law in Alabama, whichever shall last occur, each lawyer shall complete a six (6) hour course in professionalism; provided, however, that lawyers who are exempt from these Rules pursuant to Rule 2.C.1. shall also be exempt from the provisions of this Rule 9.A. while they are so exempt. Once a lawyer's exemption under Rule 2.C.1. ends, the lawyer must complete the course in professionalism during the calendar year following the year in which the exempt status ends.

B. The Alabama State Bar shall provide the materials and instruction for the course in professionalism, which shall be offered at least four times a year.

C. The charge made for the course shall be not more than the actual direct costs of conducting the course, including securing and reproducing printed materials, paying the instructors, and paying for the meeting room.

D. The sanctions for violating Rule 9 are contained in Rule 6.B.

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