

Steps to Get Your Texas Real Estate License Cheat Sheet

GOVERNING AGENCY:
Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC)

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Texas State Legal Requirements

- At least 18 years old
- US citizen or lawfully admitted resident

Criminal Record: For eligibility, you must apply with the TREC. Complete a [Fitness Determination](#) and [Background History Form](#) (cost of \$50).

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Complete Prelicensing Coursework

- 180 hours
- Texas attorneys are exempt from coursework

Reciprocity: Texas does not have reciprocity with any other state. [Real Estate License Reciprocity & Portability Guide](#)

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Apply for Your License

Requirements:

- \$185 fee
- [License application](#)
- Certificate of completion from real estate education
- [Sales Agent Sponsorship Form](#)

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Get Fingerprints & Background Check

- \$39.70, but \$40.85 if paying online via credit card

Fingerprint Locations:
[MorphoTrust](#)

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Take the Real Estate Exam

- Multiple-choice
- 110 questions (80 national, 30 state-specific)
- 2.5-hour time limit
- \$43 fee

Test Provider: Apply online at [PearsonVUE](#)

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Pick a Company to Work For

- Find sponsoring brokerages close to your location using a Google and/or Yelp search
- Set up interviews to speak with brokerages

Resource for Assistance:

[How to Choose a Real Estate Company to Work For](#)
(+ [Evaluation Rubric](#))

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Start Your Texas Real Estate Career!