

MLS Orientation Policy

Purpose of MLS Orientation: To provide a training session for new MLS members with a focus on the Rules, Regulations and related policies. Particular attention to be paid to the citation policy, hearing process, value of MLS, protecting access, allowable use of MLS content, etc. (Section 17, MLS Rules/Regulations)

Section 1. Who Must Attend

- A. Any new member participant (including appraiser) or subscriber must attend the MLS Orientation session within thirty (30) days of application with either their local Association of REALTORS[®] or NNRMLS (MLS Only members).
- B. Any member who has been on “exempt” status but re-activates MLS services must attend the MLS Orientation session if : a) he/she has been on exempt status for more than two years; or, b) he/she has been on exempt status for less than two years but did not attend the MLS Orientation prior to becoming exempt.
- C. Any new broker staff or broker/agent personal assistant requesting access to Paragon must complete the MLS Orientation session within thirty (30) days of authorization to access to Paragon.
- D. There will be no exceptions to this requirement. The class is mandatory, regardless of the geographic location of the member’s place of business or his/her current participation in another MLS.

Section 2. Who May Attend

- A. Brokers are invited to sponsor pre-licensees who are waiting to receive their license.
- B. Brokers, agents or their current respective staff members may attend to learn more about the policies and procedures of NNRMLS.

Section 3. Penalty for Not Attending

- A. If attendance at an Orientation session is mandatory (see Section 1) and the member does not complete the course within the required thirty (30) days, MLS access and services will be suspended until the member completes the course.
- B. Once suspended, the member’s status with NNRMLS will change to non-member and his/her broker will be billed future monthly fees on his/her behalf in accordance with the current NNRMLS Billing Policy.
- C. If a broker staff member or broker/agent personal assistant does not complete the course within the required thirty (30) days, MLS access will be suspended until the course is completed.

Section 4. Reactivation of Services. If a member’s services have been suspended, his/her services (including but not limited to those noted in Section 3.A above) and membership status will be restored upon completion of the orientation session and payment of the current service reactivation fee and any other outstanding financial obligations to NNRMLS.

Section 5. Right to a Hearing. Members who wish to protest against loss of services (Section 3) and/or to request a waiver of the reactivation fee (Section 4) may submit a request in accordance with the current Hearing Policy and procedures. An initial request for waiver must be received within thirty (30) days of service deactivation.

Section 6. Cost for Orientation Session

- A. There will be no additional cost to new members or broker/agent staff members who are required to attend the session.
- B. There will be no cost to optional attendees who make a reservation and attend the session.
- C. A fee will be assessed for a reservation that is not cancelled within 24 hours of the session. If the no-show registrant is not a member, his/her sponsor will be billed; if the no-show registrant is a member, his/her account will be billed.

Section 7. Frequency and Location of Orientation Sessions

- A. At least two MLS Orientation sessions will be held per month.
- B. At least one session per month held online, with the remaining sessions to be held at the NNRMLS Office in Reno.
- C. Attendance at a location is not related to the geographic location of the member’s REALTOR[®] Association. Members may attend online or in person but must complete the course within 30 days of joining.