



MFCAR AUGUST UPDATE

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FYI - Keep an eye out for an email with our Fall CE Class Schedule in the next few weeks.

CE SHOP AUGUST PROMO CODES - [Click here to go to the MFCAR CE Shop](#)

PROMOTION DATE	PROMO CODE	DISCOUNT %	COURSE TYPE
August	AUG30	30%	All Real Estate Products
August 23	HOMERUN	35%	All Products



We have lots of used Keyboxes for sale at the MFCAR Board Office.
Payment is made directly to the seller by Cash or Check. Please call us in advance to reserve yours 203-227-4418.

If you have used keyboxes you'd like to sell bring them to us. Seller pays MFCAR a \$10.00 fee payable by cash or check for each keybox we sell.

August is upon us, fellow MFCAR members!

Our MFCAR Summer Clambake, held on July 26, 2023, at Compo Beach Westport was a great success. Over 100 of our members, friends and affiliate sponsors attended.

Please support our affiliate partners that help sponsor this and other events. A very special thank you to the following

Clambake sponsors: **The Russell Agency, All Hardwood Floors, Attorney Lucas Hernandez, Westy Self Storage, Homeguard Environmental, Aimee Merritt Cross Country Mortgage, Heins Landscaping and Start Moving LLC.**



Be on the lookout for CTREALTORS® intensive media campaign via radio, video, and social media platforms that will be promoting you as a Connecticut REALTOR®. The focus will be on the importance of Connecticut REALTORS® being there for their clients and there for Connecticut.

We continue to need your input and support of our board. Please share your ideas with us or participate in a committee. Thank you for your continued support of the Mid-Fairfield County Association of REALTORS®.

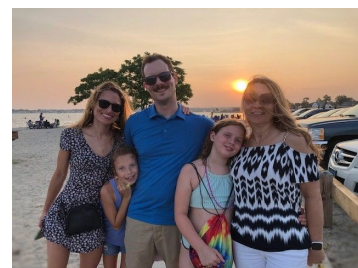
I hope to see you at our future events and membership meetings.

Best,
Ken

Ken D'Arinzo
2022-2023 President, Mid-Fairfield County Association of REALTORS®

Check out these smiling faces from our MFCAR Clambake on July 26th.

**116 people enjoyed a beautiful evening, great food and
lots of laughs. Thank you to all supporters.**







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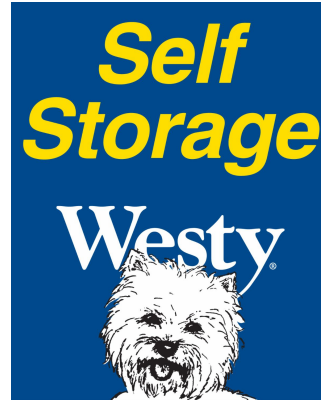
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON YOUR 2024 CE REQUIREMENTS & DUE DATE

As you know your Continuing Education (CE) is due on even-numbered renewal years and as of this renewal all CE Classes MUST BE COMPLETED 90 DAYS PRIOR TO RENEWING YOUR LICENSE.

- **THE CONNECTICUT DCP HAS ONE MANDATORY CE CLASS FOR THIS RENEWAL which is CT REAL ESTATE AGENCY LAW.** In addition you will need to take Nine hours of real estate elective courses.
- **AS ALWAYS NAR MANDATES ALL REALTORS® MUST TAKE CODE OF ETHICS EVERY 3 YEARS.** If you take Code of Ethics it would count as one of your 3 hour elective classes. We are currently in Cycle 7 which runs from 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2024. Login to NAR to check your Code of Ethics Status or give us a call at 203-227-4418 to inquire if you should take Code of Ethics for this CE Cycle.
- Alternatively, licensees may opt to pass the 40-question Connecticut CE Examination during the CE cycle. Contact PSI Examination Services (the testing company) directly: 1-800-733-9267. **NOTE:** When calling PSI to schedule, be sure to specify that you want the "40 Question" exam in order to renew your CT license.

Salespersons: 12 hours of CE credits must be completed by MARCH 1st,

2024, which is 90 days prior to license expiration date . Salespersons licenses expire annually on May 31st.

Brokers: 12 hours of CE credits must be completed by September 1st, **2024** which is 90 days prior to your new license expiration date of November 30th.

Am I required to complete CE?

All license holders must complete CE prior to every even-year renewal. You are only exempt if you PASSED A FULL LICENSING EXAM during the CE period. The 2024 CE renewal period for Salespersons is 6/1/22-5/31/24 and for Brokers is TBD.

What if I am a reciprocal license holder?

Connecticut DOES NOT EXEMPT ANYONE from completion of Connecticut specific continuing education. You must complete approved courses via a CT approved school and retain your certificates of completion for a minimum of 4 years. If you have taken CE in your primary state, you can submit the information to DCP for consideration 90-days prior to deadline. Scan and email to dcp.realestate@ct.gov or fax to 860-706-1317. To be approved, EACH course must be a minimum of 3 hours and be taken during the current CT CE cycle. There is NO equivalency credit toward the mandatory course(s).

What if I am a referral only agent?

All license holders must complete CE. Choosing to only utilize your license for referrals does NOT exempt you from Connecticut CE requirements.

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**New NAR Requirement: Fair Housing Training
2 Hours Every 3 Years**

NAR new-member applicants & existing members must now complete two hours of fair housing training every three years as a condition of REALTOR® membership, including one FREE training option. The three-year cycle coincides with NAR's existing Code of Ethics training requirement and begins in 2025.

Courses satisfying the new NAR requirement are:

- **At Home With Diversity**, a course to help real estate professionals work successfully in an increasingly diverse marketplace
- **Bias Override: Overcoming Barriers to Fair Housing**, a course to help real estate professionals identify and interrupt stereotypical thinking to avoid fair housing pitfalls
- Qualified equivalent courses provided by state and local associations, institutes, societies and councils, and their partnered providers
- A to-be-created non-residential practitioner course focused on bias and

Fairhaven, NAR's online fair housing simulation, will also be updated to meet the stated learning objectives and two-hour minimum time frame so that it can be included in the list of qualifying courses and serve as the no-cost option.

CT REALTORS® Handling Statewide Professional Standards Administration

MFCAR has signed on with the new CT REALTORS® (CTR) Statewide Professional Standards program. You can learn more about timely options for resolving disputes, or how to file an ethics or arbitration complaint by going to <http://ctrealtors.com/complaints>.

There is also a Statewide Citation Policy where Respondents have the option to pay a fine and go to education in lieu of a hearing for certain ethics violations. If you have any questions, email prostandards@ctrealtors.com.

IMPORTANT LINKS

<u>MFCAR AFFILIATE ROSTER</u>	<u>FAST STATS</u>	<u>MILL RATES</u>
<u>Connecticut License Verification</u>	<u>Real Estate Continuing Education</u>	<u>Code of Ethics Cycles</u>
<u>Check Your Code of Ethics Status</u>	<u>Department of Consumer Protection</u>	<u>MFCAR WEBSITE Documents Forms & Links</u>

<u>CTR Membership Benefits</u>	<u>Sign up for CTR Text Alerts</u>	<u>Forewarn</u>
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<u>REALTOR® Party Mobile Alerts</u>	<u>RPAC</u>	<u>Open House Tour Schedule</u>
<u>Pay MFCAR Dues</u>	<u>Coastal Property Owner Brochure</u>	<u>Emeritus Status Application Process</u>

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