

## TMCEC Update – Rules of Judicial Education

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Judges and Court Personnel:

On March 30, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals issued an [Order](#) authorizing judges to obtain required judicial education hours by electronic means. Under the [Rules of Judicial Education](#), municipal judges are required to complete a certain number of continuous hours at a live TMCEC seminar, depending on how long they have been a judge.

41% of municipal judges have not completed their mandatory judicial education.

If you are among those judges, you will be receiving notification in the weeks to come.

If you are a judge who has not completed your mandatory judicial education hours you may now complete those hours electronically by viewing TMCEC webinars (whether live or on demand). Webinars you have completed since September 1, 2019 will count towards this year's requisite judicial education hours.

I encourage you to read the Order in its entirety, which expires 30 days after the Governor lifts the Declaration of State of Disaster.

The [Online Learning Center](#) (OLC) will be instrumental in the days ahead. All TMCEC webinars ("live" or "on demand") are on the OLC. If you have never used it or require assistance, let us know.

Our next scheduled live webinar is tomorrow, April 2, at 10:00 a.m.: *TMCEC Radio: Morning Coffee (Municipal Courts in the Age of the Coronavirus)*. Our platform only allows 200 participants. Not everyone will be able to participate live. That is no problem. It will be recorded and available on April 3 in our Webinars On Demand. To access this webinar live, go to [online.tmcec.com](https://online.tmcec.com) and click on Webinars. Then click on Upcoming Webinars. We are working on new exciting webinar content. Stay tuned!

As I mentioned Friday, in terms of this disaster, sooner or later it too shall pass. Accordingly, in addition to online content, TMCEC is continuing to actively plan a robust

summer calendar of scheduled, rescheduled, and other “in-person” events. Registration is currently open for all events May 15 – August 31, 2020.

To stay up-to-date, go to the [TMCEC COVID-19 Update](#) page. For the latest updates to the TMCEC schedule of events, click [here](#).

Regards,

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