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Good afternoon Cari.

The best place to get the official documentation of revisions to all of our exams over the program's history is to review the first five pages (Introduction) of the *Competencies and Skills Required for Teacher Certification* that we publish on the web. In addition to reading, all of our subject area exams are listed going back as far as 1988. I'm attaching the most recent version of the comps and skills in PDF format.

The development cycle traditionally has run every 4 to 5 years consistent with changes to standards, policy changes, etc.

There is no mandate in the statute (1012.56) or our rule (6A-4.0021) for examination revision. However, the rule specifies that the Commissioner shall review passing scores not less than once every 5 years. I have pasted links to our rule and statute as well.

[http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?mode=View%20Statutes&SubMenu=1&App\\_mode=Display\\_Statute&Search\\_String=1012.56&URL=1000-1099/1012/Sections/1012.56.html](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?mode=View%20Statutes&SubMenu=1&App_mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=1012.56&URL=1000-1099/1012/Sections/1012.56.html)

<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ruleNo.asp?ID=6A-4.0021>

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Thank you.

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**From:** Cari Miller (Cari@excelined.org) [mailto:Cari@excelined.org]  
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Hi Phil,

I hope this email finds you well and enjoying the New Year! I was hoping you could assist. I'm in need of some history on revisions to the teacher certification exams (any of the exams having to do with reading). I know we revised all exams having to do with reading sometime between 2004-2006 to ensure the competencies and indicators were aligned with scientifically-based reading research, and I know we began this process again this year to ensure alignment to Common Core for at least PreK-3. Are you able to provide more concrete information on the history of the revisions that have been made? I'm only interested in exams having to do with reading (if that isn't already obvious yet ☺).

Also, are there requirements (statutes or rules) for revising certification exams and how often this is to occur?

Thanks for any assistance you can provide! I truly appreciate it!

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