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# renewal

*noun* | re·new·al | \ri-'nü-əl, -'nyü-\

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## Definition of RENEWAL

- 1 : the act or process of **renewing** : REPETITION
- 2 : the quality or state of being **renewed**
- 3 : something (such as a subscription to a magazine) renewed
- 4 : something used for renewing; *specifically* : an expenditure that betters existing fixed assets
- 5 : the rebuilding of a large area (as of a city) by a public authority

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## Examples of RENEWAL in a Sentence

The lease calls for yearly *renewals*.

License *renewals* can be done online.

You can get a 10 percent savings on subscription *renewals*.

High fuel prices have led to a *renewal* of interest in electric cars.

She uses flowers in her art as symbols of rebirth and *renewal*.

## Recent Examples of RENEWAL from the Web

It was supposed to be up for *renewal* in 2014, but the board asked voters to renew it in 2013 and extend the term of the levy to 10 years.

— Cameron Knight, *Cincinnati.com*, "New library levy would double what Hamilton County taxpayers

pay," 26 Dec. 2017

Much of that has been riding on how many Sapphire Reserve customers will spend \$450 on the card's annual *renewal* fee.

— Annamaria Andriotis, *WSJ*, "JPMorgan Chase's Sapphire Reserve Card Gets a New Chief," 11 Dec. 2017

The school system is not conducting any kind of formal campaign for the *renewal*.

— John Sharp, *AL.com*, "Baldwin County Schools push to debunk myth: Voters will decide on a 1-mill renewal, not a tax increase," 8 Dec. 2017



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## First Known Use of RENEWAL

1603

## RENEWAL Synonyms

Synonyms

duplication, iteration, redo, reduplication, reiteration, repeat, repetition, replay, replication, reprise

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## Related Phrases

up for renewal

## RENEWAL Defined for English Language Learners

renewal 

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### Definition of RENEWAL for English Language Learners

: the act of extending the period of time when something is effective or valid : the act of renewing something

: the state of being made new, fresh, or strong again : the state of being renewed

## RENEWAL Defined for Kids

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### Definition of RENEWAL for Students

- 1 : the act of continuing in force for a new period ■ the *renewal* of a magazine subscription
- 2 : the state of being made new, fresh, or strong again
- 3 : something renewed ■ license *renewals*

## Law Dictionary

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### Legal Definition of RENEWAL

- 1 : the act or process of renewing ■ a *renewal* of the copyright
- 2 : the quality or state of being renewed
- 3 : something renewed
- 4 : something used for renewing; *specifically* : an expenditure that better existing fixed assets
- 5 : the rebuilding of a large area (as of a city) by a public authority

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