

Let's Recertify! **Tips on How to Get CEUs for Recertification**

First: You will need your **Username and Password** information that was sent to you approximately 12 weeks before your current certification expiration date. Make sure that your contact information listed on the Safe Kids website (www.safekids.org/certification) is accurate so that you will receive this notification to recertify. If you have misplaced your Username and Password, call the toll-free customer service number 877-366-8154. They will email you this information for confidentiality purposes. This site is where you will enter information for the Recertification 2007 Cycle.

Second: Print for your own use the personal recertification log

<http://www.safekids.org/certification/resources/forms.htm> - [recert07](#). This tool will help you keep track of your requirements to recertify. Make up a folder and keep the paperwork together just in case you get audited. Additionally, it will make your life simpler to look at or even print a copy of the Recertification Flow Chart found in the same area. This gives you a clear picture of what you will need to do to recertify (check off on the 5 seats, do a car seat checkup or 4 hours of community education, get 6 CEUs and of course, don't forget to pay).

Okay, let's begin!

The Safe Kids Web site (www.safekids.org/certification/recertification) explains the entire process. It describes: the steps to recertify and the fee involved (\$40 for techs); the deadline and the fact that there is NO GRACE PERIOD; and finally, the process for late recertification (for those on active military service). Carefully read through this section as it explains the process clearly. This page also includes a little information box that lets you search for more information. Check it out.

Now we get down to **Tips on How to Get CEUs for Recertification**. The following list is an easy and accessible way for you to obtain continuing educational units (CEUs).

- [CEU Details](#)
- [CEU FAQs](#)
- [Recert Log](#)
- [Forms](#) - Sample agendas, links to quizzes, etc.

You will need 6 hours of these in any combination to qualify for recertification.

Newsletters/Manuals/Journals: (Category 5)

[Tech Update](#)

- At the CPS Board's home page (www.cpsboard.org/), click on **Earn CEUs Online** (right column). You will have several editions to choose from.
- Two updates with quizzes for one CEU only (1 CEU max.)

[Examples of scientific articles](#) - ver. 02/2007 www.safekids.org/certification

- This is a listing of various scientific journal articles that you can read (you have to locate them). It allows for 3 articles to equal 1 CEU; 1 CEU is the maximum allowed for this category.

The two sites below contain many very useful tools that are available to be purchased. The tools for technicians in assisting families include the LATCH Manual and a manufacturer's CD or CRMI. These companies offer CEUs when you either purchase (or borrow from a friend) the manual or CD. A new purple LATCH Manual for 07 has just been released. You may go to www.saferideneews.com to complete the online order form. The manufacturer's CD was released in June.

[Link to LATCH quiz](#) or www.saferideneews.com

- This takes you to *Safe Ride News*. Click on Contents/Site Map (purple box), scroll down to the CEU section and click on the link (pdf) for the LATCH Quiz.
- 1 CEU max. (limit one quiz)

[Link to car seat manufacturer quiz](#) or www.carseat.org

- At the *Safety Belt Safe USA* home page, click on CEUs for Recertification (under the column Tools for Techs).
- To get to the quiz, you must click on the blue word quiz near the bottom of the page.
- 1 CEU max. (limit 1 quiz)

Online Sessions: (Category 4)

[Buckle Up Illinois Web Sessions](#) or www.buckleupillinois.org; click on CPS Recertification (red box on the right). Then click on CEU Opportunities (second gray box on right). Click on Web Seminar and then pick the seminar you would like to watch.

- 4 online presentations worth 1 CEU each
- Consider printing the quiz before watching the session.

National CPS Board or www.cpsboard.org

- A two-step process (view or download the PowerPoint presentations - then pass the online quiz). A certificate of completion will be generated when the quiz is passed. You will be asked to provide your name and certification number prior to taking the test and these should be entered as they appear in your online profile.

If you encounter **any problems** with the recertification process, please contact the toll-free CPS customer service at **877-366-8154**, Monday through Friday 9 am to 7 pm ET. Their fax number is 917-305-9876. They are also available at cps.certification@safekids.org.