CPST Recertification

Child Passenger Safety Technician certification expires after two years. Technicians and instructors are required to successfully complete the recertification process before current certification expires. Check your online profile at cert.safekids.org if you are not sure when your certification expires.

To recertify, meet the following requirements and record the activities in your online profile.

- Conduct all five different types of instructor- or technician proxy-approved seat checks.
- Participate in at least one community education (checkups, community workshop, educational session).
- Earn at least six continuing education units (CEUs).
  
  As part of ongoing quality assurance, you may be randomly selected for a CEU audit. Keep proof of content and completion of CEUs handy for three months after you recertify. You can monitor your audit status in your online profile.

- If you are an instructor, complete 20 Certification/Certification Renewal Testing Course teaching hours. At least 10 of the 20 hours must be earned through lecturing or hands-on teaching of the full Certification Course. The other 10 may be earned from mentoring or teaching the Certification Renewal Testing Course.

- Pay the recertification fee. The recertification fee is $55 for technicians and instructor candidates and $60 for instructors. A detailed fee table is available on the under Resources-FAQs/Fees.

Step-by-step instructions are available on our website under Resources-FAQs. Open the How To page.

You must complete all recertification requirements, including paying the recertification fee, on or before the expiration date of your current certification.

For more information, visit cert.safekids.org