

# The National Standardized Child Passenger Safety Training Program

Curriculum by  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
In collaboration with the  
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## Certification Renewal Course

Instructors will be able to register courses starting August 1, 2005.

### What is the Purpose of the Certification Renewal Course?

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Individuals with expired certifications may take the Certification Renewal Course this summer. This one-day course is being developed to help former technicians regain certification. It provides a brief overview of the technical information contained in the most recent version of the NHTSA curriculum and verifies technical skills through hands-on testing.

Prior to the development of the Certification Renewal Course, the only option available to CPS Technicians with expired certifications wishing to renew their certifications was to retake the entire 32-hour training course.

### Who Should Attend

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The course was designed for former technicians who have *maintained their child passenger safety knowledge and their hands-on skills*. Former technicians who have remained involved in the field by reading technical updates, attending other CPS classes, participating in child safety seat events and inspections, and have continued to practice their hands-on skills, would benefit by attending this course.

Another group that may want to consider attending (audit only) would be currently certified technicians or instructors *needing an instructor to sign-off on their hands-on skills*. *Having an instructor sign-off on an individual's installation skills is one of the requirements of recertification*. Be sure to contact the Course Administrator for details and availability.

### What Happens After Someone Completes the Course

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Upon successful completion of the Certification Renewal Course, the individual is eligible to go on-line and take the exam. Once he/she attains a passing score, he/she will become certified.

If a technician does not pass the course, they may become certified again by retaking the original certification course. Technicians whose certifications have expired may take this course **one time**.

Please go to [www.cpsboard.org](http://www.cpsboard.org) (click on CPS certification link) for the latest information.

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**PLEASE NOTE:** This course is not intended as an opportunity to practice or “brush up” on installation skills, nor is it an occasion to “learn” CPS again. The latest edition of the technician manual is available for download at [www.cpsboard.org](http://www.cpsboard.org) in the Training section.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This course is only for those interested in regaining certification as a CPS technician. For those interested in certifying as a *Technician Instructor*, the process would entail first certifying as a technician and then repeating the instructor candidacy process after 6 months of certification.

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