



LIFESAVING SOCIETY

The Lifeguarding Experts

LEADERSHIP RECERTIFICATION

CREDIT SYSTEM (March 2014)

In order to teach or evaluate candidates, Instructors, Examiners and trainers must be "current". To remain current, Instructors, Examiners and Trainers must recertify their award(s) within 24 months of the certification or last recertification date.

The Lifesaving Society's **Credit System** recognizes individual needs and interests by encouraging leadership personnel to learn and improve through continuing education and professional development:

- Earn 3 credits during the 2-year certification period by participating in courses, clinics and training programs identified on the Lifesaving Society **Credit List**.
- Record your credits on the **Credit Card** dated and signed by the various course evaluators.
- Mail, email or fax the completed Credit Card with the recertification fee to the Society's office. We send you back a renewed certification card (valid for another 2 years) with a blank Credit Card and Credit Record.
- Leadership awards recertified at different times are subject to a recertification fee each time. Recertifying all your leadership certifications at the same time reduces your cost.

Can I save extra credits for next time?

No. Credits are valid for a 2-year period only. If, for example, you take your National Lifeguard award on August 23, 2014, you must collect your other credits by August 23, 2016. Otherwise, the credit from the National Lifeguard award will have expired and you would be obliged to get another current credit.

National Lifeguard Instructors, Standard First Aid Instructors, and BOAT Instructors must collect 3 credits from the items marked with an asterisk (*). **Examiners** must earn 3 credits from items marked with a cross (†). **Instructor Trainers** must have taught an Instructor course in order to be recertified.

Credits must be completed and signed before you submit them to the Society's office. Any mandatory revision updates must be attended for recertification to be processed.

CREDIT LIST

Section A: 1 credit each

1. Teach 3 or more complete Swim for Life or Swim Patrol programs or Bronze Star
2. † Teach or examine Bronze Medallion, Bronze Cross, BOAT, or coach a Junior Lifeguard Club
3. * Bronze Medallion or higher certification or recertification
4. Aqua Fit Instructor certification
5. Fitness NB Fitness Theory or equivalent certification
6. * Boat Rescue certification
7. AED certification
8. NB Canoe Instructor certification
9. Canadian Power and Sail Squadron certification
10. ACUC, NAUI or PADI Scuba certification
11. * † Officiate in a NB/NS or nationally-sanctioned lifeguard competition
12. * Compete in a NB/NS or nationally-sanctioned lifeguard competition
13. Contribute at least 3 hours as a volunteer for the Lifesaving Society

Section B: 2 credits each

1. * † Teach or examine: Distinction, Boat Rescue, Lifesaving Society Workplace Standard First Aid, an Officials certification, Aquatic Supervisor, National Lifeguard, or Examination Standards Clinic
2. * Aquatic Supervisor certification
3. * Distinction certification
4. * † Certification as a Lifesaving Society First Aid, National Lifeguard, or BOAT Instructor
5. * † Appointment as a Lifesaving Society Examiner or Instructor Trainer (any level)

Section C: 3 credits each

1. * † Teach 1 of the following instructor courses: Aquatic Supervisor, Lifesaving, Swim, Boat Rescue, BOAT, Standard First Aid, National Lifeguard
2. Any Lifesaving Society Instructor Recertification course