



V20.2 TASER CEW User Certification and Annual Re-Certification Requirements

To fulfill Axon Enterprise, Inc.'s (TASER Training Department) requirements for TASER® Conducted Electrical Weapon (CEW) user certification or annual recertification, the currently certified TASER Instructor (Instructor) must fully comply with TASER's *Training Materials Licensing Agreement* and the requirements below when conducting the user course and certifying or annually recertifying the user. These requirements assist in forming the basis for reasonably safe and effective CEW use.

This document sets forth three separate CEW user requirements:

1. Initial TASER CEW User Certification Requirements.
2. Immediate Distribution Requirement of all TASER training bulletins and warnings to all CEW users.
3. TASER CEW User Annual Recertification Requirements.

TASER CEW User Initial Certification and Annual Recertification Requirements:

1. 72 Hours Prior Review/Utilize the Most Current TASER Course Documents.

Go to <https://www.axon.com/training/resources> and review, download, print (as required for the course), and utilize the most current versions of the:

- a. Proper PowerPoint® presentation, including videos and all updates;
- b. Training Bulletins since the last TASER training version release;
- c. Law enforcement Product Warnings; and
- d. Instructor and User: Warnings, Risks, Release & Indemnification Agreement (the "Release").

2. Prepare Course Documents. Have all documentation for class ready, including a copy of each of the following documents for each student:

- a. Applicable PowerPoint presentation;
- b. The Release (Only students receiving an exposure need to sign the Release, prior to taking the exposure);
- c. Law Enforcement Product Warnings;
- d. TASER CEW User Certification Form (all students must sign); and
- e. Course tests:
 - Part 1 – CEW User Certification Test;
 - Part 2 – Specific CEW Model User Certification Test; and
 - Part 3 – (Optional/encouraged) U.S. Basic Legal CEW User Certification Test.
- f. Your agency's use of force, CEW, and other related policies and procedures (optional, encouraged);

3. Comply with CEW User Certification Requirements. Below are the requirements that must be completed by each student to be certified as either a new or annually recertified TASER Certified User. Agencies may also choose, at their discretion, to distribute and/or review their Use of Force, CEW, and related policies and procedures with students and provide a legal review of CEW usage within the jurisdiction.

The TASER Certified User Certificate Template is available to print and provide to students as documentation of their course attendance and certification. The template is included with TASER's training materials in the "Certification Requirements and Forms" folder.



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New CEW User Certification*

Complete minimum of 6 hours of instruction

The user must complete a minimum of 6 hours of instruction with a currently certified Instructor. Coursework must include the current TASER User PowerPoint, updates, warnings, and Release; and include discussion of items in the instructor notes, drills, and functional demonstrations.

Receive and review the current TASER Law Enforcement Product Warnings

Receive, review, sign and KEEP on file the current Release Form (for students taking an exposure).

Pass Written Examinations

User must pass written examinations with a score of 100%, after remedial training.

Pass Functional Test

User must pass all functional tests listed on the TASER User Certification Form.

Deploy 2 TASER live CEW cartridges into preferred target zones

Each student must deploy a minimum of 2 cartridges to demonstrate familiarity with CEW functions and to test aptitude. The student must be able to contact the target and place both probes in the preferred target zones from various distances while under stress. Students who do not hit the target within the preferred target zones should complete aiming drills and deploy again. Users should not be qualified until they have passed firing tests. The use of simulator systems does not fulfill this 2-cartridge firing requirement.

**User certification is valid for a calendar year. For example, if they certified March 11 of 2017, they'd be required to recertify sometime in 2018, up to December 31 of 2018. However, as new User Update PowerPoint presentations, training bulletins, and product warnings are released by TASER, they must be immediately distributed to all persons authorized to use a CEW. This distribution is in addition to the Annual CEW User Recertification Requirements.*

Annual Recertification of CEW Users

Review the current Annual CEW User Update PowerPoint Presentation and any new Training Bulletins after its release date, including discussion of items in the instructor notes, drills, and functional demonstrations.

Receive and review the current TASER Law Enforcement Product Warnings

Receive, review, sign and KEEP on file the current Release form (if taking an exposure).

Pass Functional Test

User must pass all functional tests listed on the TASER User Certification Form.

Deploy 2 TASER live CEW cartridges into preferred target zones

The student must deploy 2 live cartridges to both re-familiarize the student with CEW functions and to test aptitude. These can be any TASER cartridge that fires two probes with conductive wires attached (including expired date cartridges), fired at a target, or blue (LS) simulation cartridges used in conjunction with the simulation suit. The student must be able to contact the target with both probes in the preferred target zones from various distances while under stress. Students who do not hit the target within the preferred target zones should complete aiming drills and deploy again. End users should not be qualified until they have passed this two-cartridge firing tests. The use of simulator systems does not fulfill this 2-cartridge firing requirement.

- 4. Document Training.** Agency should collect and maintain all documentation concerning the training, including keeping a copy of each CEW user's Certification Form, Tests, and the Release Form in department records to validate certification. The TASER Training Department does *not* track User certifications and will return or shred (without notice) any user certification applications or other documentation or materials received.

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