CACEA Canadian Association of Consulting Energy Advisor

# Continuing Education Credits (CEC) Program

An annual program for CACEA's REA members - demonstrating they are knowledgeable and focused on providing informed and credible services.

## CEC PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Documents variety of field-based events, education/training and up-skilling.
- Records learning for employers that may be relevant to job tasks, career advancement or job applications.
- Provides proof for stakeholders who value continuous professional development, e.g., DMS program providers (utilities; provincial/municipal).
- Demonstrates the reliability and expertise of CACEA's REAs recognized by clients, AHJs and stakeholders.

## CEC PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Applies to Full and Junior EA members in good standing<sup>1</sup>.
- Complete 18<sup>2</sup> approved CECs (≈1 credit = 1 hour) annually (January December<sup>3</sup>).
- Record CECs with proof of participation as required in the member profile.
- The CECs must be relevant to the REA professional work/expertise and approved by CACEA
- <sup>1</sup> Good standing = Annual SO verification letter; E&O insurance; adhere to NRCan Code of Conduct and CACEA Code of Ethics; successfully completed NRCan REA qualification and requalification exams.
- <sup>2</sup> The CEC value is subject to change, with advance notification to the membership.

<sup>3</sup> For members jointing mid- year, CEC tracking applies January of the following year.

## ADMINISTRATION CONSIDERATIONS

- The member is responsible for maintaining a record of their CEC activity.
- Members can update the CEC tracking in their member profile ((Click on CACEA Member Profile in the <u>Member HUB</u>, log in and click on the "edit profile button).



### SCROLL DOWN TO THE BOTTOM OF YOUR PROFILE TO TRACK YOUR CEC ACTIVITY.

#### CACEA Webinars = 1 CEC

Members can click on the webinars they attended (CACEA may verify proof of attendance).

#### CACEA Pre-Approved Events / Training

- > Members can click on CACEA pre-approved events.
- Members <u>must provide</u> proof of participation<sup>4</sup> where applicable (CACEA may verify proof of attendance).

#### Other CEC Events / Training

- Members must include event / training host, name and / or link; dates and CECs (1 CEC = 1 hour) for each CEC program participation.
- > Members must provide proof of participation<sup>4</sup>.
- CACEA's Education Committee will approve training / events and CECs. It may also verify participation.

2022 CEC Tracking - CACEA Webinars (1 CEC)	Jan - Spray Foam Feb - AGM Mar - Net Zero by 2040 Mar - Tech Committee Update Apr - Decarbonization Panel
Education/Training	CACEA/ HRAI Heat Loss Heat Gain (16 ECE) CACEA IDP Facilitation Training (10 CEC) CACEA Retrofit Refresh Training (8 CEC) CACEA Committee (.5 CEC) NDCor ECC Provide Function (5 CEC)
2022 Additional CECs: In CECs, event &,date (p completion required l	roof of

#### Proof of Participation

Members <u>must upload</u> proof of participation<sup>4</sup> <u>except for</u> <u>CACEA webinars.</u> 2022 CEC Proof of Completion Choose files You can upload up to 20 fi Upload proof of completion, e.g. certificate of

<sup>4</sup> Proof of Participation = certificates; correspondence from organizer. Registration receipt/confirmation <u>IS NOT</u> valid proof.

#### Annual Review and Official Transcripts

- Prior to the start of the annual membership renewal period, the office will review CEC activity to ensure FULL and JUNIOR members are close to achieving the 18 CEC requirement.
- > The office may reach out to members who have not reached the 18 CEC requirement.
- > In January, the CEC credit tracking fields in the member profile will be reset.
- CECs can't be carried over to the next year except in special cases (e.g., post secondary / trade school) and with pre-approval.
- > If a member requires an official CACEA CEC Transcript, a \$25+ tax administration fee will be applied.

## CEC GUIDELINES

#### **Eligible Credits**

To be eligible for credit, an event must meet one of the following criteria:

- contributes to directly the REA professional development (e.g., technical skills);
- contributes to the indirectly to professional development (e.g., periphery industry knowledge); or
- contributes to the advancement of the REA profession (e.g., training development; committees).
- Members and program providers can submit a <u>CEC Program Request Form</u>. The education committee will review all requests, assign, where applicable, eligible credits and notify applicants of their decision.

#### Examples of Eligible CEC Opportunities

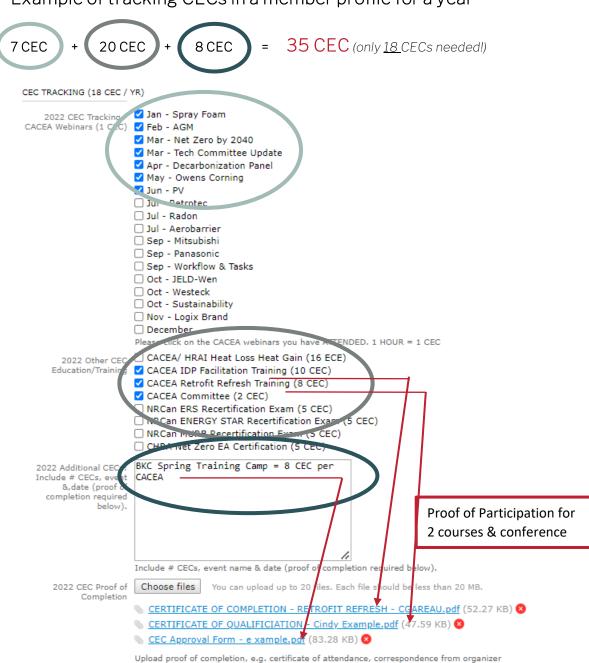
- > CACEA Webinars = 1 CEC.
- > CACEA Training, e.g., Retrofit Refresh; IDP Facilitation (CECs noted in tracking section of the member profile).
- > CACEA Committee (Active participation required) = 2 CEC.
- > CACEA Mentoring Program participation<sup>5</sup>.
- > Development and/or delivery of CACEA training or information session<sup>5</sup>.
- > CHBA and local HBA training, events<sup>5</sup>.
- ➤ HRAI supported training<sup>5</sup>.
- BC Housing supported training<sup>5</sup>.
- > NAIMA Training (North American Insulation Manufacturers Association) <sup>5</sup>.
- > Post secondary training at a university, colleges, trade school with relevant REA content.
- Training development and delivery of content for CACEA or stakeholders that is integral to the profession of an REA<sup>5</sup>.
- ➢ Industry conferences ⁵.

<sup>5</sup> CECs to be determined by the Education Committee.

<u>To apply for a CEC</u>: Ideally, send the event information to info@cacea.ca prior to the event dates. The Education Committee will review submissions and assign CECs if eligible. The participant must provide proof of participation of approved programs.

#### Examples of Non-eligible CEC Opportunities

- > Any continuing education / professional event that is not verifiable.
- > In-house training by an employer / contractor.
- > Social, networking events and forums.
- > Discussions on the Member Forum and Trainee Discussion Board.
- > Attend and / or delivery of repeat programs.
- > Books and videos.



## Example of tracking CECs in a member profile for a year