



**MASTER SEWING AND DESIGN PROFESSIONAL
CERTIFICATION MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Requirements

MSDP's are required to complete twenty (20) points of continuing education coursework every year, to be reported annually on December 31. Payment of the annual maintenance fee, which is currently \$35, is also due by December 31.

Continuing Education Opportunities

Following is an overview of the activities that qualify for professional development points and the eligible number of points earned for each activity. Twenty (20) points must be reported each year. All activities must be directly related to and consistent with the knowledge base of the sewing and design professions.

Personal Professional Development

Activity	Example	Points Earned
Professional Education Conferences	Attending Professional Workshop or Class	1 point per instruction hour
Professional Education Conferences	Attendance at Conference--participating/speaking/networking opportunities/vendor marketplace	2 points per day
Industry Trade Shows	Viewing Vendor Exhibits at Industry Trade Shows	2 points per day Maximum of 10 points per reporting cycle.
Academic fashion sewing and design courses	Credit Courses Audited Courses	15 points for each credit hour 8 points for each credit hour
Workshops or short fashion sewing and design related courses	Non-credit class	1 point per 3 hour class time
Design Competitions	Submission of a garment Placing or Recognition	5 points 15 points
Exhibitions	Acceptance and participation in a juried exhibition	15 points
Education Travel	Subject matter education travel or tour sponsored by professional organization.	2 points per day. Maximum 25 points per reporting cycle
Teaching Sewing Related Courses	Credit Course Non-Credit Course	30 points PER COURSE 15 points PER COURSE

Contribution to the Profession

Professional Education Conference	Teaching presentations, workshops or classes	3 points per instruction hour
Educational Resources	Development of educational materials such as course curriculums, curriculum guides, learning packages and workbooks	Single Author: 40 points Co-author: 30 points
Perspectives and other industry related periodicals.	Writing Newsletter articles and answering posted questions	3 points per article
Publications	Published book contributing to the sewing and design knowledge base Information article in newspaper, consumer magazine, or professional magazine that fulfills the mission of sewing and design	Single Author: 45 points Co-Author: 23 points Contributor: 15 points Chapter Author: 10 points Listed Editor: 10 points Contributor to Revised Editions: 10 points Single author: 3 points per article
Leadership	ASDP Executive board position Serving on Industry Related National Board of Directors Serving on Industry Related Local Board of Directors	10 points per year 8 points per year 5 points per year

Random Audits

A percentage of MSDP's will be randomly audited each year. If you are selected for an audit, you must present the MSDP Certification Board with proof of attendance/participation.

Failure to Comply

Should you decide not to maintain your certification status, or fail to meet the requirements, your business listing will reflect the change in your status.

If you fail to submit your annual report and payment in a timely manner, or fail to earn the required number of points, you will be notified in writing by the MSDP Certification Board that your certification has been revoked. You will not be permitted to use the MSDP designation or be credited with such in any ASDP publication or employment inquiry until you have met the MSDP certification maintenance requirements and paid a processing fee.

Reinstatement

To reinstate your certification status, you will be required to accumulate 100 points, plus an additional 20 points per year for every year past your MSDP certification maintenance deadline. If you do not meet the certification maintenance requirements within five (5) years beyond your revocation date, you will be required to re-certify in each module of study.

Termination of MSDP Status

Should you decide not to maintain your certification status, employers or clients who inquire will be duly informed.

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