



ABFDE RECERTIFICATION POINTS SCORING TABLE

Points will be assessed using the criteria below. Documentation **MUST** accompany all submitted points.

	ACTIVITY	POINTS	COMMENTS
1	Attending a QD organization professional conference (local and/or national)	2 points per half day of technical session(s)	No maximum number of points
2	Attending a course or workshop approved by the ABFDE	3 points per half day of training	No maximum number of points See attached list of Board approved QD organizations
3	Presenting a QD-related paper at a QD organization professional conference (may only be presented once for point accumulation)	10 points per presentation	No maximum number of points Documentation must be submitted (e.g., a hard copy of the paper or Power Point presentation which was distributed at the meeting or included on the Program CD)
4	Conducting or teaching a portion of a workshop and/or seminar for QD examiners (may only be presented one time for point accumulation)	5 points per half day	No maximum number of points See attached list of Board approved QD organizations
5	Attending a webinar or other alternative course approved by the ABFDE	½ points per hour 2 points per half day	No maximum number of points
6	Participating in a poster presentation at a QD organization professional conference (may only be presented one time for point accumulation)	3 points per participation	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 9 Documentation submitted may include a copy of the poster and/or a written summary of the information conveyed
7	Publishing an article in a forensic journal (may only be presented one time for point accumulation)	15 points per article	No maximum number of points *Only 5 points awarded if points were also granted for presentation as a technical paper
8	Publishing an article relating to QD in a non-QD magazine or publication such as a state bar journal, investigator association publication, etc. (may only be presented one time for point accumulation)	2 points per article	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 6 Documentation submitted should be a hard copy of the article
9	Participating in QD-related research	1 point for 5 hrs or less 2 points for over 5 hours	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 10
10	Providing an in-service QD workshop that updates fundamental QD principles to at least 5 QD examiners	1 point per half day	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 5 Documentation submitted may be a written summary of the information conveyed

APPROVED QD-RELATED EDUCATION PROGRAMS

	ACTIVITY	POINTS	COMMENTS
11	Successfully complete a QD-based* College or Graduate school course (requires a grade of a B or better)	3 points per class	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 18 Documentation submitted shall be a copy of the course outline and the grade earned *Course must be QD-centered (i.e. the primary focus/topic)
12	Successfully complete a QD-related class (e.g., RIT)	2 points per half day	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 10 Documentation submitted shall be a copy of the certificate or grade earned

APPROVED POINTS RELATED TO PROFICIENCY TESTING

	ACTIVITY	POINTS	COMMENTS
14	CTS Proficiency Test	1 point per test	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 10 Documentation submitted shall be a copy of successful completion of the test(s)
15	ST ² ARS Test	2 points per test	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 6 Documentation submitted shall be a copy of successful completion of the test(s)

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

	ACTIVITY	POINTS	COMMENTS
16	Preparing an accepted ABFDE practical test	5 points per test	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 15 Documentation submitted shall be a copy of the acceptance correspondence sent to you from the Committee Chair
17	Preparing an accepted ABFDE written test question	1 point per question	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 15 The documentation submitted shall be a copy of the acceptance correspondence sent to you from the Committee Chair
18	Preparing a practical test accepted by another testing service (i.e. CTS)	2 points per test	Maximum points possible in 5 years = 10 The documentation submitted shall be a copy of the acceptance correspondence sent to you from the testing organization
19	Miscellaneous/Other	Varies	Assessed on a case-by-case basis

BOARD APPROVED PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS): QD Section only

American Society of Questioned Document Examiners (ASQDE)

American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM E30.02 Committee)

Canadian Society of Forensic Sciences (CSFS): QD Section only

International Association for Identification (IAI): QD Section only

Midwest Association of Forensic Sciences (MAFS): QD Section only

Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists (MAAFS)

Northeastern Association of Forensic Sciences (NEAFS)

Southeastern Association of Forensic Document Examiners (SAFDE)

Southwestern Association of Forensic Document Examiners (SWAFDE)