

CEDIA Professional Certification™



CEDIA is proud to announce the launch of CEDIA Professional Certification™ at Expo 2003 – an industry innovation. For the first time in our region, CEDIA can offer designers and installers of custom electronics systems an industry qualification. By establishing clear, objective standards for the required skills and knowledge of CE designers and installers, CEDIA Professional Certification™ will deliver a range of benefits to individuals, consumers, and manufacturers. By defining a series of benchmarks for designers and installers, CEDIA Professional Certification™ will promote professionalism and growth throughout the industry.

The tests are being developed by CEDIA, in conjunction with nationally recognized subject matter experts, and under the guidance of professional test development specialists to ensure that both the content and format are accurate and valid.

Who Benefits from CEDIA Professional Certification™?

Installers and Designers

CEDIA Certified Professionals will stand out from the crowd. Recognized for their achievements, they will enjoy the respect and trust of their clients, their employers and their industry colleagues. Professional Certification also creates a growth path for career minded individuals who expect to reap the rewards from their efforts and expertise.

Custom Installation Companies

Finding and retaining the skilled people necessary to build their business is an on-going challenge for most Custom Installation companies. CEDIA Professional Certification™ establishes clear standards by which to measure existing staff and new employees. Employing CEDIA Certified Professionals helps companies achieve a competitive advantage through higher quality skill set, productivity and professionalism.

Manufacturers

Internationally recognised for its outstanding reputation, CEDIA education and certification encourages proper installation and service of equipment by highly skilled and trained technicians. Manufacturers reap the benefit of fewer installation problems, professional and courteous service to consumers and equipment correctly installed for maximum performance.

Consumers

Selecting a custom installation company staffed by CEDIA Certified Professionals gives consumers peace of mind. By formally recognising the accomplishments of industry professionals, CEDIA gives the consumers peace of mind in their lifestyle investment. By using a CEDIA certified professional, consumers can trust that the installers working in their homes are trained, reliable professionals.

Eligibility Requirements

Candidates must have a school certificate or equivalent and a minimum of twelve months industry experience. Candidates for Installer Level 1 & 2 must be ACA certified (or working for a firm that currently is ACA registered)*. Although eligibility is not limited to installers working for CEDIA members, CEDIA members' employees pay a lower price than non-members – see booking form for details. Applicants for the examination must sign a declaration attesting to the fact that all information provided on the application form is accurate and complete.

*ACA registration exemption only applies until October 2003, after that all Installer 1 & 2 Candidates must be ACA Certified.

Exam Preparation

Candidates wishing to sit an exam will be given the relevant exam subject lists and a recommended list of reading materials. In addition, many CEDIA Expo courses will help prepare you for the exam. A list of recommended courses will be included. The suggested reading and course list is neither all-inclusive nor does it cover all examination items. CEDIA recommends that candidates become familiar with a wide range of literature and codes pertaining to custom electronic issues. The CEDIA office will be able to send you an information packet for the exam you wish to sit.

Examination Content

The examination covers the technical body of knowledge expected for an installer/designer. The Installer Level I exam consists of 100 multiple choice questions, and candidates will have three hours to complete the exam. In order to receive a certification designation, all individuals must pass the written exam.

Installer I Examination

Studying for the Exam

Suggested Reading List:

The following references may assist candidates in preparing for the examination.

Publications

Highly Recommended (Installer 1 & 2)

Audio/Video Cable Installer's Pocket Guide Stephen Lampen McGraw-Hill	ISBN 0071386211
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or

Alternative (Installer 1)

Newnes Television and Video Engineer's Pocketbook Eugene Trundle Butterworth-Heinemann	ISBN 0750606770
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or

Newnes Guide to Audio and Hi-Fi Nick Beer Butterworth-Heinemann	ISBN 0750644184
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Standards

AS/NZS 1684.4	AS/NZS 3012
AS/NZS 1892.5	AS/ACIF S009:2001
AS/NZS 3000	

Courses

Most courses are offered at CEDIA EXPO. In CEDIA registration materials, look for the certification recommendations. For Installer Level 1, all the courses offered in the "Basic Essentials" Stream are recommended.

Installer I Exam Content

The Installer I examination covers the technical body of knowledge expected for a supervised employee in this field. Major content areas covered by the examination are as follows:

- Wire the Dwelling
- Wire/Cable Preparation
- Connector Identification
- Install and Mount Devices
- Connector Installation
- Install Components
- Verify Operations

Requirements for Maintaining Your Installer I Credential

The Installer I credential is awarded for a 36 month period. To maintain the active status as an Installer I, prior to the conclusion of the 36 month cycle, certificants must be able to provide documentation of completion of at least 30 contact clock hours of continuing education units

approved by the Certification Action Team. Certificants who do not have the required continuing education hours must take and pass the examination within 12 months prior to the expiration date to be eligible to maintain their certification for an additional 36 months.

In lieu of 10 clock hours, certificants may submit up to 10 continuing education hours in other areas (publications, research projects or leadership roles) for review and approval by the Certification Action Team. Written proof of achieving continuing competency requirements is required upon request of the Certification Action Team.

The Certification Action Team will choose at random a number of certificants and audit their continuing education hours. These individuals must submit documentation for the required continuing education credits in order to maintain their certification. Other certificants must verify that they have completed the required continuing educational hours in order to maintain their certification.

Guidelines for Communicating Your Status

An individual who passes the Installer I examination will attain the status of "CEDIA Certified Professional, Installer I." If desired, the individual may use the abbreviated version of "Individual's Name, CCPI" on his or her business cards, letterhead or other documentation.

Individuals who achieve this credential will be referred to as an I 1 ("eye one").

Professional Certification is granted to an individual; therefore, he or she, not the company, retains the credential as long as he or she maintains the continuing education requirements for CCP's I 1. In marketing materials and other documentation, companies are allowed to identify that they have CEDIA Certified Professionals on staff; however, materials should not indicate that the company is "CEDIA Certified."

When promoting your achievement, please refer to the CEDIA Professional Certification Policy and Procedure manual for typography and logo use specifics.

The CEDIA Certification Policy and Procedure manual can be downloaded at
www.cedia.net/education/CEDIA_Cert_Policies.pdf

CEDIA Certification Application



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Examination Level _____ Date _____ City _____

Applicant name (in full) _____

Applicant address _____

City _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Applicant phone: W _____ H _____ M _____

Employers/Company name _____

Employers address _____

City _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Are you a CEDIA Member Yes No

Length of time in industry? _____

School Certificate? Yes No

School name _____ Year _____

ACA Compliant? Yes No

ACRS Registration No. _____

Previous CEDIA Certification? I1 I2 D1 D2 Date _____

I declare that the above information is correct and understand that the fee payable is for the sitting of one (1) examination only and is non-refundable.

Signed _____ Date _____

CEDIA Office Administration Use ONLY:

Eligible: _____ Paid: _____

Location: _____ Date: _____

Current Certification Level: _____