Recertifying your NAATI credential

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What is recertification?

Any translator or interpreter wishing to maintain a NAATI credential must apply to NAATI to recertify every three years. We call this process "recertification".

It does not mean sitting another test and is not designed as a barrier to staying in the profession. Rather, it demonstrates you are maintaining your skill, knowledge and experience.

Recertification supports the ongoing professionalism of the sector. It also assures the community that only practising professionals hold current NAATI credentials.



NAATI's professional development catalogue explains the types of PD activities and points you can claim to meet the recertification requirements. The catalogue was developed in partnership with AUSIT, ASLIA and Professionals Australia.

https://naati.au/PD-catalogue

Professional development is one of the principles of the AUSIT Code of Ethics (principle 8) and ASLIA Code of Ethics (principle 2.4) to which all NAATI-credentialed practitioners are bound.

"Practitioners commit themselves to lifelong learning, recognising that individuals, services and practices evolve and change over time. They continually upgrade their language and transfer skills and their contextual and cultural understanding. They keep up to date with the technological advances pertinent to their practice in order to continue to provide quality service."

- AUSIT Code of Ethics on professional development

Meeting the criteria

NAATI sets out the minimum criteria you need to meet across two areas: work practice and professional development (PD).

To recertify, you need to do the following:

- Demonstrate you have completed work practice and PD meeting NAATI's requirements.
- Lodge a recertification application via your myNAATI account.
- Pay the assessment fee.

Work practice criteria





Translators 30,000 words over three years

Interpreters 120 hours or assignments over three years

If you hold more than one NAATI credential (for example, if you are a translator and interpreter, or you hold translator credentials in two languages), you must provide work practice evidence for each credential separately.

Professional development criteria

120 points over 3 years is required in the following compulsory categories. Each category requires a minimum of 30 points including at least one activity from the Ethics sub-category.

Skills Development and Knowledge (min. 30 points) Industry Engagement (min. 30 points) Incl. Ethics (min. 10 points)

Maintenance of Language (min. 30 points)

Did you know? If you attend the AUSIT conference for 2+ days and present for 20 minutes, complete a T&I sector survey, regularly discuss ethical dilemmas you face in your work with your colleagues, and actively maintain your language through teaching & subscribing to your favourite LOTE magazine, you will have met the PD requirements.

How to recertify

Three months before your credential expires, you will receive an email from NAATI inviting you to recertify. You can apply from then until three months after expiry.

Once you have recorded all of your work practice and professional development, you can submit your recertification application from the myNAATI homepage.

Logbook

NAATI provides an online logbook for you to record your work practice and professional development through your myNAATI account.

Get creative! Professional development isn't just about completing formal paid courses or attending conferences. Did you know you can claim points for things like maintaining a membership with a professional association (such as AUSIT or ASLIA), mentoring new practitioners, attending networking events or even spending time in a country where your LOTE is the primary language spoken? We also allow practitioners to nominate additional activities which aren't already listed in the catalogue.

Don't think you meet the requirements?

Don't worry! We recommend you apply anyway. Applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis, and we know that life sometimes gets in the way.

Include as much detail as possible and attach any supporting evidence. We might be able to assist by extending your expiry date, giving you advice on opportunities to meet the requirements, or even waiving the requirements in exceptional circumstances. We will write to you for more information if needed.

If you have any questions, please contact us at any time at recertification@naati.com.au

To find out more information about recertification including accessing the PD catalogue scan the QR code or visit: https://naati.au/recertification



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