RTT/QCT Certification Renewal Guidelines:

Renewal requirements are based on technician type stated below:

**Testing Technicians:** A Testing Technician will be defined as a technician who has performed an acceptance test within the last 12 months.

Testing Technician’s will be required to have two IA Evaluations, and one current acceptance data collection program class within a three year period to maintain their certification without having to re-test.

**Non-Testing Technicians:** A non-Testing Technician will be defined as a technician who has not performed an acceptance test with the last 12 months but holds the RTT or QCT certification.

Non-Testing Technician will be allowed to maintain their certification without having any credit hours or IA evaluations or re-testing in three year period. However, Non-Testing Technicians will not be allowed to run any acceptance test which requires a certified technician without **FIRST** having a field evaluation done by Testing Management. If a Non-Testing Technician that has 10 or more years of continuous work experience in materials testing in a management position but has not been evaluated because they have not performed an acceptance test on a regular basis then the Branch Chief has the discretion to review their work experience and determine if an evaluation is necessary to maintain their certification.

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Note: In response to FHWA recommendations, Georgia Department of Transportation’s Independent Assurance (IA) Program has been modified to a System Basis Program. As such, all active certified RTT and QCT (1 and 2) Technicians are required to participate in the Independent Assurance Program (IA). This will consist of yearly evaluations when scheduled. Active Technicians are those technicians performing sampling and testing as part of the Quality Assurance Program. Any active technician who, for whatever reason, does not have at least one satisfactory IA evaluation per certification within their 3 year certification period cannot renew with only training hours or by retaking the written exam and must be certified again effective July 1, 2011. Please note that QCTs who are within 6 months of certification expiration and have not had a satisfactory IA evaluation should contact an IA Engineer to schedule an evaluation if they wish to retain their certification(s).

A listing of training classes can be found at [http://www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Training/TechnicianCertification](http://www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Training/TechnicianCertification)

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- Your Address
- Your Phone Number
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If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to give us a call.