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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO: TENNESSEE CERTIFIED TRAINERS**

**FROM: Cody Vest, Executive Director  
Tennessee Private Protective Services**

**DATE: September 2, 2009**

**RE: NEW CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS  
& IMPLEMENTATION OF TWO (2) YEAR RENEWAL**

- Tenn. Code Ann. § 62-35-126(f) has been amended to afford a two (2) year trainer certification.
- Tenn. Code Ann. § 62-35-140 has been amended to require continuing professional education for “**Certified Trainers**” only, and has been amended to require twelve (12) hours of continuing professional education as a prerequisite for each two (2) year renewal.
- **Continuing professional education will be required for all Certified Trainers in 2010.**
- In order to renew your trainer certification in 2010, a minimum of **six (6)** hours of continuing professional education will be required.
- You must have completed the required six (6) hours of continuing professional education prior to your expiration date in 2010.
- Your trainer certification will not be renewed until proof of such training has been received by this office.
- **Two (2) Year Certification.**
- Your trainer certification will be renewed for two (2) years in 2010, the certification will expire in 2012.
- Effective with the issuance of your two (2) year certification, you will be required to obtain twelve (12) hours of continuing education every two (2) years, as a prerequisite for renewal.
- The training must be completed within each two (2) year certification, **prior to renewal.**

At this time, we are accepting training certificates for courses and seminars offered by the following:

- Training certificates provided by the P.O.S.T. Commission;
- Training certificates provided by Federal or State government entities;
- Training certificate provided by law enforcement or military;
- Training certificates provided by the NRA (National Rifle Association);
- Training certificates provided by Weapons Manufacturers;
- Training certificates provided by Manufacturers of Nonlethal Weapons;
- Training certificates provided by Security Related Associations and Organizations;
- Other training certificates will be reviewed on a case by case basis. If such training is submitted, a course outline or synopsis must also be submitted for review.