PDU Category Fact Sheet

<u>Qualifying Professional Development Activities</u>: To accrue PDUs, a certification holder must participate in and successfully complete professional development activities that fall under one or more of the approved professional development categories.

PDU Category 1: New Certification or Credential
1A: New SPēD or APC Certification: o   Each New SPēD or APC Certification is valued at 100 PDUs.
1B: SPēD Credential or the DPAPC: o   Each SPēD Credential or the DPAPC is valued at 75 PDUs.
1C: Non SPēD or APC Certification: o   Each Non-SPēD Certification is valued at 50 PDUs.
PDU Category 2: Security-Related Training

2A: Security Related eLearning Course:
     o   Each Hour of Security-Related eLearning Course earns 1 PDU.
        •   All 100 PDUs can be earned in this category

2B: Security Related Instructor-Led Training (ILT) or Virtual Instructor-led Training (VILT) Courses:
     o   Each <u>FULL DAY</u> of Security Related Instructor-Led or Virtually-Led Training Courses earns 10 PDUs.
        •   5 PDUs for each ½ day (1-4 hours) and 10 PDUs per FULL day (5-8 hours)
        •   All 100 PDUs can be earned in this category

2C: Security Related Higher Education:
     o   Each <u>WEEK</u> of Security Higher Education earns 10 PDUs.
        •   For example, 8 weeks = 80 PDUs. All 100 PDUs can be earned in this category

PDU Category 3: Non-Security Related Training

3A: Non-Security Related eLearning Training Courses:
     o   Each Hour of Non-Security-Related eLearning Training Courses earns 1 PDU.
        •   Up to 50 PDUs can be earned in this category
        •   Other 50 PDUs must be directly security related

3B: Non-Security Related ILT or VILT Courses:
     o   Each <u>FULL DAY</u> of Non-Security Related ILT or VILT Courses earns 10 PDUs.
        •   5 PDUs for each ½ day (1-4 hours) and 10 PDUs per FULL day (5-8 hours)
        •   Up to 50 PDUs can be earned in this category
        •   Other 50 PDUs must be directly security related

3C: Non-Security Related Higher Education:
     o   Each <u>WEEK</u> of Non-Security Higher Education earns 10 PDUs.
        •   For example, 8 weeks = 80 PDUs. However, only <u>50 PDUs</u> can be earned in this category
        •   Other 50 PDUs must be directly security related

PDU Category 4: Security Conferences

4A: Security Conference: Participant:
    o   Each Hour of Security Conference as a Participant is worth 1 PDU.
    o   All 100 PDUs can be earned in this category.

4B: Security Conference: Presenter:
    o   Each presentation is worth 5 PDUs, with a max of 25 per event (total of 5 presentations).
    o   All 100 PDUs can be earned in this category.

PDU Category 5: Security-Related Projects

5A: SPēD Certification Projects:
    o   Certificants can receive three PDUs per contact hour and two PDUs per completed homework assignment for a distinct project.
    o   Certificants can earn five PDUs per SPēD related survey.
    o   A maximum of 50 PDUs can be earned for each SPēD Certification and Credentialing Program project.
    o   All 100 PDUs can be earned in this category.

5B: Non SPēD Certification Projects:
    o   Certificants can receive three PDUs per contact hour and two PDUs per completed homework assignment for a distinct project.
    o   A maximum of 50 PDUs can be earned for each non-SPēD Certification and Credentialing Program project.
    o   A maximum of 50 PDUs can be earned in this category.
    o   Other 50 PDUs must be directly security related.

PDU Category 6: Other Professionalization

6A: Other Voluntary Professionalization Activities:
    o   Certificants can received 2 PDUs per contact hour.
    o   A maximum of 50 PDUs can be earned in this category.
    o   Other 50 PDUs must be directly security related.

All above information is derived from pages 39-43 of the DOD Professional Certification and Credentialing Handbook.