

2016 Dual Recertification Guidelines

- Dual VCA/VCO must earn 60 contact hours (actual hours) with 20 contact hours in the last two years of the five-year recertification term and is available for an additional fee. See VCO recertification guidelines.
- Dual VCO/VCM – See VCM recertification guidelines.

When may I claim dual certification? The first time you recertify your VCO certification establishes the date for dual certification for VCA/VCO. For example, if your VCA certification expires in 2015 and your VCO certification expires in 2016, you would be eligible to apply for dual certification in 2016. It is assumed that your VCA certification remains in force until you become eligible for dual certification. An additional fee applies for dual certification.

VCO/VCM dual recertification is treated the same as VCA/VCO dual recertification.