

MACE Annual Currency Evaluation

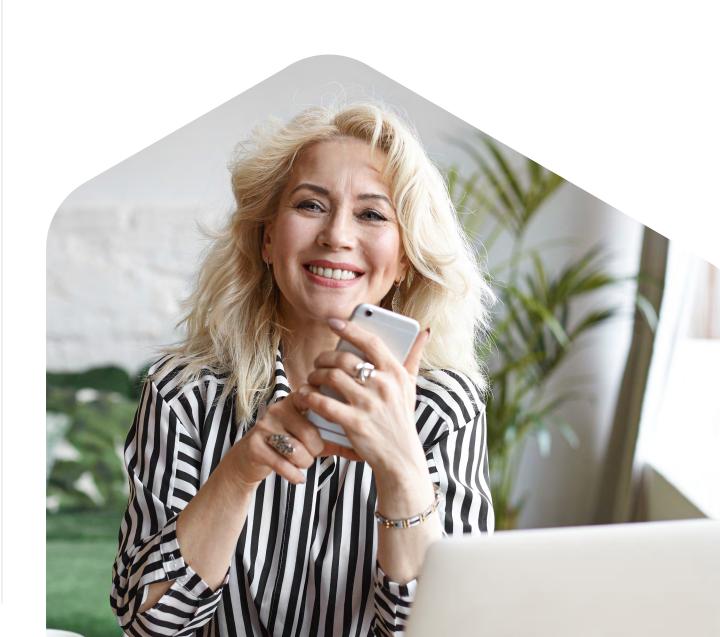
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What is the ACE certification?

The <u>Annual Currency Evaluation (ACE)</u> is the definitive industry benchmark for verifying the professional currency of trainers and assessors in the Australian VET sector.

With changes to the Standards for RTOs (2025) and a relaxation in qualification requirements, there has never been a more important time to demonstrate that you are not just qualified—but genuinely current.

ACE is designed to be completed annually and provides a practical, engaging, and independent certification that highlights your commitment to quality, compliance, and continuous improvement—without needing to update your qualification.





Peace of mind for RTOs. Proof of quality for trainers.

For RTOs

Annual quality you can trust. Compliance you can prove.

In a world where the quality of trainers and assessors can impact the status of your business, RTOs need a reliable, recurring way to demonstrate staff capability and integrity.

ACE is designed to be completed annually giving RTOs a consistent, reliable framework for quality assurance.

ACE helps your RTO to:

- Ensure trainers meet and exceed industry expectations year after year
- Strengthen audit readiness with clear evidence of current practice
- Reinforce your RTOs reputation for quality
- Build trust with corporate clients, partners and students

ACE is an industry-wide standard that supports your team without requiring requalification. It's a smart way to verify, uplift, and align your trainers under one trusted certification – every year.

Set the standard. Strengthen your brand. Let ACE be your RTO's competitive advantage.

For Trainers and Assessors

Stay current. Stay confident. Every year.

You have worked hard to build you reputation and ACE helps you to protect it, year after year.

Whether you are actively training or returning to the profession you love, ACE verifies that your skills and knowledge are up-to-date, relevant and aligned with current best practice for that year.

All trainers and assessors are encouraged to undertake ACE annually to maintain their professional edge.

With ACE you will:

- Demonstrate your commitment to ongoing professional development (PD)
- Boost your employability and recognition across the sector
- Stand out in job applications and contract tenders
- Avoid the cost and time of a full qualification update when it's not required

Your learners deserve the best and so do you.

A badge of excellence



Receive the ACE Certified RTO badge when all active trainers hold a current ACE certificate.

It signals your organisation's commitment to quality, compliance, and continuous improvement—ideal for your website, marketing, and audits.



Earn your ACE badge by completing the Annual Currency Evaluation program.

It shows you're current, industry-ready, and committed to professional growth—perfect for resumes, LinkedIn, and job applications.





Annual Currency Evaluation

COST \$390

DURATION 4 Hours

LOCATION Online

ENROLMENT PERIOD 3 Months

CURRENCY VALID FOR 1 Year

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In this four-hour online currency evaluation, participants will demonstrate their current skills whilst gaining valuable insight in the following areas:



VET Sector Essentials

- Overview of the VET sector and its purpose
- How to use Training. gov.au (TGA) and read training products
- Key points from the Standards for RTOs (2025)
- Practical assessment and compliance scenarios



Reflect & refine your training practice

- Plan sessions and boost student engagement
- Explore digital tools and delivery trends
- Adapt your delivery for diverse learners



Showcase your training practice

- Design a training resource for your intro
- Deliver your training introduction
- Provide effective learner feedback

PREREQUISITES

- You must hold a valid Certificate IV in Training and Assessment (i.e. TAE40122, TAE40116, or TAE40110)
- You should have experience or familiarity with training and assessment practices
- Have access to a computer and reliable internet connection
- Have basic digital literacy to complete online assessments



The Story Behind ACE

It started at a compliance seminar—one of those big industry events where the right people talk about the real issues.

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Around the room, RTO owners and managers voiced a shared concern: "It's hard to be confident when hiring new staff, managing contractors and existing staff, or re-engaging returning trainers." The message was clear—confidence in trainer quality was slipping.

And the more we listened, the clearer it became. Other industries—like first aid and childcare—have systems in place. Annual checks. Ongoing licences. But in training and assessment? Nothing. Once qualified, there was no consistent way to prove currency or competence without a full update.

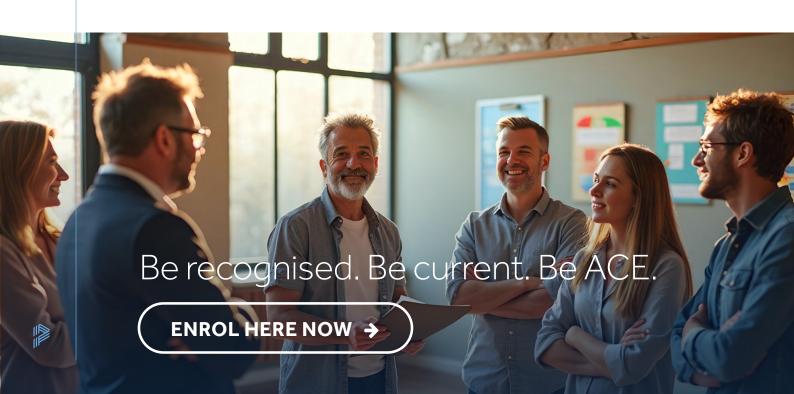
At the same time, the pressure was building. Skills shortages were driving demand for qualified trainers through the roof. And with recent changes to RTO Standards making it easier for people to return to training, the gap between qualification and quality was only widening.

So, we asked ourselves: What if there was a smarter way to verify and support trainers—without forcing them through unnecessary updates?

The result is ACE.

Designed to be completed once a year, ACE gives trainers a trusted way to show they're still at the top of their game—and gives RTOs the confidence, evidence, and consistency they need to meet compliance and quality benchmarks.

Years in the making. Built by experts. Here to uplift the industry.



Frequently asked questions

"Is ACE right for me?"

Yes – if you're a trainer or assessor who wants to stay current, maintain compliance, and demonstrate ongoing professional development (PD) without completing a full qualification update. ACE is ideal for both active and returning trainers.

"Is ACE a qualification or a professional development activity?"

ACE is not a qualification. It's a PD activity designed to verify that your skills and knowledge remain current each year. You'll receive a certificate of completion valid for 12 months.

"What does the ACE program include?"

The ACE program includes a four-hour assessment of trainer currency through scenario-based tasks, knowledge checks, and evidence submission.

"Can my RTO use ACE to support compliance?"

Yes - ACE provides annual evidence of trainer currency that supports audit readiness and helps demonstrate your RTO's commitment to quality and compliance.

"How long does the program take to complete?"

The ACE assessment takes around 4 hours to complete. You'll have up to 3 months from enrolment to finish the program. Once awarded, your certificate is valid for 12 months. Assessments are typically marked within 5 business days.

"What's the difference between ACE and an update?"

ACE is a yearly PD program that verifies your currency but isn't a formal update. Qualification updates are required when the minimum requirements for trainers and assessors in the Standards for RTOs are ammended or when an employer requests it.

"How often should I complete ACE?"

ACE should be completed every 12 months to maintain current evidence of your skills and support ongoing compliance.

"What will I receive upon completion?"

You'll receive a certificate of completion valid for 12 months, verifying your current industry skills. You'll also gain access to a digital badge that can be displayed on LinkedIn and shared with prospective employers.



Be empowered by ACE.

Enrol

Enrol in our accessible four-hour online ACE course here.

Verify



Prove your current knowledge and gain valuable insight.

Lead



ENROL NOW

Meet compliance expectations under the new 2025 Standards

Demonstrate real-world relevance with an annually renewed certification

Avoid unnecessary qualification updates

Stand out to employers and RTOs with verified professional currency

Help uplift the VET sector by setting a consistent benchmark of quality



Be recognised. Be current. Be ACE.

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