

Frequently Asked Questions

What classes are being offered to become a Certified PASER Rater?

1) PASER Certification Course

This is a full day (6 hour) training course with a comprehensive exam.

2) PASER Recertification Course

This is a condensed training course and exam to review the main concepts and common pavement deficiencies.

Who can become a Certified PASER Rater?

- 1) Anyone can become a Certified PASER Rater by completing the appropriate PASER training course and passing the corresponding PASER exam. PASER trainings will be offered via:
- a. In-person full-day workshops
- b. Periodic hybrid classes
- c. Online PASER training modules
- 2) Persons that have completed a PASER training course prior to June 2025 will have the option of taking the PASER Recertification Course and passing the corresponding PASER exam to become initially certified.

Do I have to retake the PASER Training if I have taken it before to become Certified?

If a person has taken a PASER training class prior to June 2025, he/she is eligible to take the PASER Recertification course and pass the corresponding PASER exam to become initially certified.

When is the Pavement Asset Management Plan (PAMP) template going to be updated for Certified PASER Rater credentials?

The PAMP template will be updated in 2025 for Certified PASER Rater credentials as an option and will be made a requirement for the 2026 PAMP submissions.

When is the PASER Certification going to be fully implemented?

The 2026 PAMP submissions will need to have Certified PASER Rater credentials identified for each segment of road. Multiple raters may rate an agency network with each Certified PASER Rater credential associated to the road rated. This allows for raters to take responsibility for only their ratings

What is the difference between the PASER Certification Course and PASER Recertification Course?

The PASER Certification course is a 6-hour (full day) course that will cover all required information to become initially certified. The PASER Recertification course will be a shortened version of the full day course. Both will require the participant to pass a final exam to become certified or recertified.

Are consultants eligible to become Certified PASER Raters?

Yes, any person that is inspecting and assigning PASER ratings to a road segment will be required to be certified.

How often does one have to be recertified for PASER?

PASER raters will need to get recertified every 2 years.

For more information, please visit:



Besides the PASER Certification are there any other new requirements for PAMP submissions?

Yes.

- 1) Each municipality/county that has more than 10 centerline miles of road will need to complete a field Quality Control (QC) form. The field QC is an independent review of at least 10 road segments. The field QC forms will need to be uploaded to the Data Management System (DMS) with each PAMP submission.
- 2) The local public agency submitting the PAMP will need to verify that they have reviewed the PAMP before it is submitted. This verification will be in the DMS at the time of submission.

We use PCI or IRI for our road condition ratings, do we need to be PASER Certified?

No. PCI and IRI have their own ASTM standards to follow. If an agency is using these forms of condition ratings, it is highly recommended to verify the ratings and perform their own form of quality control to ensure confidence of the data.

We use PCI or IRI for our road condition ratings, do we need to complete the new field QC form?

No. On the cover sheet of the field QC forms there will be a location to indicate if PCI or IRI data is being used for PAMP and the field QC will not be required. The field QC form will need to be submitted with the indication that PCI or IRI is being used. The field forms can be left blank on the QC form. If an agency is using these forms of condition ratings, it is highly recommended to verify the ratings and perform their own form of quality control to ensure confidence of the data.

We are using an automated system to collect our PASER ratings, do we need to be certified?

Yes. If PASER ratings are being reported, the ratings submitted need to be under the responsibility of a Certified PASER Rater. For example, if a LiDAR or camera AI system is being used, the consultant or the LPA employee should review enough segments to be in agreement with the results of the technology being utilized. The Certified PASER Rater identified in the PAMP could be an individual employed by the consultant utilizing the technology, an employee of the technology provider, or an employee of the LPA. A person that is PASER certified needs to take ownership of the ratings submitted via the PAMP.