



## **Non-Residential PV Site Assessor Certification Requirements**

Midwest Renewable Energy Association

Becoming a MREA Certified Non-Residential Site Assessor requires a combination of skills, abilities, knowledge and training. The following check list has been developed to assist potential site assessors understand the requirements and processes.

### **Prerequisite Skills**

- Writing – Clear and concise writing style to complete professional reports
- Verbal Communication - Ability to clearly communicate complex concepts
- Time Management – Ability manage multiple tasks, and complete reports on deadline
- Critical Thinking – Ability to “think on your feet” and solve complex problems
- Basic Mathematics – Understanding of basic math skills for calculating electrical loads, sizing systems and invoicing customers (multiplication, division, percentages)
- Computer Skills – Word processing, email, spreadsheets, and internet skills/access
- Knowledge of current state and federal incentives and tax credits

### **Prerequisite Knowledge and Training**

To take the MREA’s Non-Residential PV Site Assessor training course, students must:

- Be an MREA Certified Residential PV Site Assessor in good standing
- Complete at least seven residential PV site assessments that are reviewed by the MREA Technology Mentor

### **Steps to Certification**

- Meet prerequisite skills requirements
- Meet prerequisite knowledge and training requirement
- Complete at least seven residential PV site assessments that are reviewed by the MREA technology mentor
- Complete at least one non-residential PV site assessment reviewed by the MREA tech mentor.
- Successful completion the MREA’s Non-Residential PV Site Assessor Training Course (including in-class exercises and hand- on activities)
- Pass the Non-Residential PV Site Assessor written exam
- Sign the Non-Residential PV Site Assessor Code of Ethics
- Pay \$300 certification fee

### **Continuing Education**

MREA Certification is valid for three years. To maintain certification an assessor must:

- Complete and document eight hours of continuing education activities per year. These activities may include: advanced workshops in the PV field, workshops on other renewable energy technologies, or other classes to improve business skills and knowledge.
- Perform at least one Non-Residential PV Site Assessment each year while certified
- Apply for recertification at the end of each three-year period.