

# Class 2D (Security Trainer) Licences



## What is a Class 2D licence and who needs one?

A Class 2D Security Trainer licence authorises the holder to provide training, assessment or instruction in relation to any security activity. This applies to formal courses leading to qualifications, the supervision of apprentices and trainees and informal staff development-type training. It does not include training, assessment or instruction in the use of firearms, other than those people who provide instruction in CPPSEC3114 'Control security risk using firearms'.

## What training do I need to obtain a Class 2D licence?

To qualify for a Class 2D licence you must have at least three years of relevant security industry experience, as well as hold, at a minimum, one of the following vocational training and assessment qualifications (or their successors):

- TAE40116 Certificate IV in Training and Assessment
- TAE40110 Certificate IV in Training and Assessment plus the following units:
  - » TAELLN411 or TAELLN401A and
  - » TAEASS501 or TAEASS502A or
  - » TAEASS502B
- Diploma or higher-level qualification in adult education

You must also provide an employment statement from your current and/or previous employers as evidence of your security industry experience.

## If I hold a Class 2D Licence, can I deliver training for the Security Licence Course (SLC)?

While trainers delivering the SLC in NSW must hold a current 2D licence, there are additional requirements that must be demonstrated to confirm their suitability to deliver training, assessment and instruction for security licensing purposes. More details about applying to become an Approved Trainer for the SLC can be found on [SLED's website](#) and in Fact Sheet 10 – How to Become an Approved Trainer.

## I'm providing security training but I'm not delivering the NSW Security Licence Course as an Approved Trainer. Do I still need a Class 2D licence?

Yes. Anyone who provides training, assessment or instruction in any security activity contained in [section 4](#) of the *Security Industry Act 1997* must hold a Class 2D Security Trainer licence, even if the training doesn't result in a formal qualification or a qualification required to apply for a security licence. Security training includes a wide array of training activities such as in-house training to employees of a security business and professional development courses to improve skills of existing licensees. It also includes training about specific security related topics like identifying suspicious behaviour or hostile vehicle mitigation strategies and training on the installation, maintenance, service or repair of security equipment.

## Do I need a 2D licence to supervise security apprentices and trainees?

Yes, you do. Apprentices and trainees are exempt from holding a Class 2 security licence under Exemption 25 of the Security Industry Regulation 2016, which allows eligible apprentices and trainees to carry out security activities as long as they are supervised by an appropriately licensed individual. If you're training and instructing apprentices and trainees in security activity, you are required to hold a 2D licence as well as the appropriate licence subclass for the activities you're supervising. For example, if you are supervising an apprentice locksmith, you will also be required to hold a Class 2C (Security Equipment Specialist) licence.

## Do apprentices and trainees need to be supervised by a Class 2D licensee for their entire apprenticeship or traineeship?

Yes. Although direct supervision is not legislatively required after the first year, because of the need for ongoing training, assessment or instruction during the course of the apprenticeship or traineeship, there is a continued requirement

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for the supervisor to hold a 2D licence, but not necessarily the relevant operative licence subclass, unless they are also doing the relevant activities.

## **Are there any exemptions to the requirement to hold a Class 2D Security Trainer licence?**

In very limited circumstances exemptions may be granted to allow an individual to provide training, assessment or instruction in relation to any security activity without a Class 2D licence. These exemptions are granted on a case-by-case basis. Those seeking an exemption from holding a Class 2D licence must apply in writing to SLED stating their reasons for requiring an exemption.

## **WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION?**

The information provided in this Fact Sheet is for general guidance only. Applicants and licensees should familiarise themselves with the *Security Industry Act 1997* and the *Security Industry Regulation 2016*, which are available on the NSW Legislation website ([www.legislation.nsw.gov.au](http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au)).