CWNE® - 2011 Certification Application

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANT

Thank you for applying for the CWNE certification. The fact that you qualify to apply for CWNE means you have accomplished a great deal in the IT world. This completed application will serve as your submission to The CWNP Program of your credentials for the CWNE certification.

The CWNE application should not be regarded casually. The application process is designed to grant CWNE status to those that have demonstrated wireless expertise in the enterprise, in addition to your passing the required exams. Passing the exams alone is not enough to earn the CWNE credential. The application process is subjective, and there is no guarantee that your application will be approved. If a candidate has the relevant work experience using enterprise class Wi-Fi equipment, can document that experience and have it verified, the candidate has an excellent chance of being approved. Applications with missing or poorly documented information will not be considered.

The requirements for the CWNE certification are:

1. **Exams**: Candidate must pass exams PW0-104, PW0-204, PW0-250, PW0-270. Each required certification must be valid at the time you submit your CWNE application.
   - **NOTE**: Effective October 1, 2010, CWNE is no longer a lifetime certification, and requires recertification every 3 years. CWNEs can recertify by passing any one of the current CWSP, CWAP, or CWDP exams.
   - **NOTE**: All individuals who have earned CWNE as of September 30, 2010 must recertify before December 31, 2011 by passing either the CWAP (PW0-250) or CWDP (PW0-270) exam.

2. **Experience**: A minimum of three years of verifiable, documented, full-time professional work experience with enterprise Wi-Fi networks. This experience may include pre- or post-sales engineering, consulting or support services, or instructing experience in:
   - Enterprise Wi-Fi Administration
   - Enterprise Wi-Fi Security
   - Enterprise Wi-Fi Protocol Analysis
   - Enterprise Wi-Fi Quality of Service

3. **Endorsements**: Three endorsement forms from people familiar with your enterprise Wi-Fi work history are required. Please notify your references that they will be contacted shortly after our receipt of your application. If your references are available for verification, your application will be processed faster.

4. **Achievements**: Documented achievements according to the CWNE Schedule below.
   - Project documentation
   - IT certifications

5. **Recertification**: The CWNE certification is valid for a period of 3 years after your application is approved. CWNEs can *recertify* by passing any one of the current CWSP, CWAP, or CWDP exams within three years of approval.

CWNE Career Achievement Requirements

Note: Each of the following is <u>required</u>. There are different options for each requirement.

1. **Three (3) Wi-Fi Project Documentations. Each item must be a 500+ word essay demonstrating:**

   - Your valuable participation in, or leadership of, enterprise Wi-Fi implementation projects
   - Proper use of 802.11/WLAN vernacular
   - An in-depth understanding of complex WLAN topics
   - Accomplishments in design, installation, and configuration of 802.11 networks

2. **Two (2) current, valid networking certifications in any of the topics below.**

   - Voice/QoS
   - Routing/Switching
   - Security
   - Protocol Analysis
   - Radio Frequency (non-WLAN)
   - Network Design

3. **At least 3 years of professional WLAN experience, which may include:**

   - Work requiring 802.11/WLAN education
   - Work requiring habitual memory of 802.11 topics shared with others doing similar work.
   - Management of projects and/or other employees involving 802.11 hardware and/or software.
   - Work requiring creative writing and oral communication on 802.11 topics.
   - Teaching, instructing, training and the mentoring of others on 802.11 topics.
   - Research and development on 802.11 technologies and systems.
   - Applicable titles such as officer, director, manager, leader, supervisor, administrator, designer, engineer, instructor, professor, consultant, architect, etc.

CWNE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Use this checklist to make sure your application is complete. The application review process is started when all required information has been received.

❑   I understand, acknowledge, and agree that any and all submissions as part of the CWNE application process become the property of CWNP, Inc. Furthermore, I hereby confirm that all of my submissions are my original work and not the intellectual or other property of any other individual, corporation, or entity, and that I have sole and complete permission and authority to submit any and all materials and information contained in my CWNE certification application.

❑   I have earned and presently hold the following valid certifications:

    ❑   CWSP
    ❑   CWAP
    ❑   CWDP

Note: *Please attach all your score sheets and/or copies of CWNP-issued certificates. CWNA is not on the above list because it is required for each of the Professional Level certifications.*

❑   I have completed the application for the CWNE certification.

❑   I have **3** endorsement forms, and my endorsers are available to be contacted for verification.

❑   I have met the career achievement requirements according to the CWNE application. Please attach documentation for:

    ❑   Three (3) documented Wi-Fi Projects
    ❑   Two (2) other valid professional networking certifications
    ❑   A minimum of three years of verifiable, documented 802.11/WLAN experience

❑   **CWNE Re-certification**: I acknowledge and agree that, in order to re-certify my CWNE certification, I must retake and pass any <u>one</u> of the CWNP Professional level certifications (CWSP, CWAP, CWDP) within three (3) years of the date I am awarded the CWNE certification.

Please complete the attached form and fax all pages to (866) 422-8354 or email one PDF to cwne@cwnp.com.

Please allow at least 30 days for the processing of your application. In this time we may contact your references, validate your work history, and may ask you further technical questions about documented projects. Candidates whose applications are approved will receive a confirmation email and a CWNE certification kit.

Applicants who are not approved are encouraged to reapply after addressing any deficiencies in their application. Candidates may reapply 6 months from the date of notification that their CWNE application has not been approved.

Application Notes: Please pay very careful attention to your application. CWNP takes this application process very seriously and expects applicants to do so as well. Deficient applications will be rejected without a second review process until 6 months have passed. *Please make sure you have met all application criteria before applying*.

Application Form: The CWNE Certification Application is an Adobe Acrobat PDF form. We respectfully ask that you complete the form *electronically* using the Acrobat PDF form fields provided in the PDF. If you are able, you may digitally sign the application as well. Otherwise, please print the completed application, sign it, and fax it to +1-866-422-8354 or scan/email it to cwne@cwnp.com. **Hand written applications will not be accepted**.

CWNE Applicant Information

Name: _____

Personal Email: _____

Professional Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Address: _____

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City: _____ State _____

ZIP/Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

Your CWNP ID Number: _____

Certifications Earned:

Certifying Body   Certification & ID Number (If applicable)

❑ ISC^2 _____

❑ CompTIA   _____

❑ Cisco   _____

❑ Microsoft   _____

❑ Oracle   _____

❑ Linux   _____

❑ Other (Please specify)   _____

Technical Experience

Please provide your title and a description of your position responsibilities.

Dates
(MM/YY) **Your Job Title and a brief description of your work in this role**

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Project Documentation

On a separate piece of paper, TYPE (*do not write*) in detail three different enterprise wireless networking projects on which you have worked. Each project description should be at least 500 words in length. The examples you supply will be judged on their technical merit, and you may receive questions via email asking for additional technical information. The more an applicant can describe in detail their knowledge of 802.11 WLAN technology, the greater the chances of a favorable review.

Discuss the following in your examples:

- How the knowledge you gained from the CWNA, CWSP, CWAP, and CWDP certifications was specifically applied to the project.
- Products used, including hardware and software, and why they were chosen.
- Your role in the project (decision maker, purchaser, installer, designer, etc.).
- Security requirements of the project, why they were chosen, and how they were implemented (if security was used).
- The design of the wireless network and how it met the needs of the users.
- Your biggest technical challenge on the project and how you overcame it.

CWNE Application Signature Page

By signing on the line below, I agree that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature	**Date**

Printed Name	**CWNP ID Number**

CWNE Applicant Endorsement Form

Please type (PDF Form) or <u>legibly</u> print in black or blue ink, sign and fax to CWNP at 866-422-8354.

CWNE Candidate Information

First Name:

Last Name:

CWNP ID:

Endorser Information

First & Last Name: _____

Job title: _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone number: _____ Email address: _____

Endorsement

I, _____ , hereby state that I am (select one):

CWNE – Certification #_____

Licensed As _____

License# _____ Licensing Body _____

Commissioned As _____

Commission# _____ Commission Body _____

Certified As _____

Certification# _____ Certifying Body _____

Officer of Candidates Employer. Position Title: _____

and am knowledgeable of, and in good standing within, the wireless networking profession. I hereby affirm that I personally know, or have researched and reviewed to the best of my ability, the work history and experience, reputation, and criminal history of the above-mentioned candidate and find that s/he meets the requirements of a CWNE as prescribed by the CWNP Program. Based upon my findings, I hereby endorse the above referenced candidate for the position of Certified Wireless Network Expert (CWNE).

Endorser's Signature

Submitted this the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Signature: _____