

DAY EQUIVALENTS



	Yellow Belt	Green Belt	Black Belt
Length Equivalents:	2 Day Equivalents	7 Day Equivalents	15 Day Equivalents
Real Project Requirement:	NO	YES	YES

Day Equivalents:

- Day Equivalents (DE) are the responsibility of the training provider organization to verify.
- Consider one DE to be seven hours. This does not include lunch breaks.

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Guidelines:

The time can be comprised of the following, **validated** elements as a standard part of the training program

- **In-class time**
 - Contact Hours spent in a classroom setting
- **Online training attendance**
 - Expected time as validated with log-ins
- **Time working on a project, mentored by a Master Black Belt**
 - Scheduled project work with a MBB outside of class
- **Non-project coaching time**
 - Scheduled non-project coaching with a MBB
- **Completion of assignments at home as part of training**
 - Expected hours for class assignments

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Allowable Percentages of Green Belt and Black Belt DE Elements

- **In-class time and/or Online training attendance***
 - 70% or more. These instructor contact hours are the most critical
- **Time working on a project, mentored by a Master Black Belt**
 - 15% maximum. Scheduled project work with a MBB outside of class
- **Non-project coaching time**
 - 10% maximum. Scheduled non-project coaching with a MBB
- **Completion of assignments at home as part of training**
 - 5% maximum. Expected hours for at home class assignments

NOTE: Projects are not required for Yellow Belts. Instructor contact hours should account for 95% of the time if out of class homework is given.

*Any hours accorded to virtual instructor or computer-based training must include required logged-in time and a process for timely answering any questions an attendee submits.