Know how many Continuing Education hours I need?

During your initial certification cycle, the number of hours of CE you will need will be determined by the card you receive. If you are an EMT, your fire card will expire on your birthday in the year your EMT card expires. If you are not an EMT, you will be issued a card based on your birthday. Those born in January, April, July, or October will have a 1 year card, those born in February, May, August, or November will have a 2 year card, and those born in March, June, September, or December will have a 3 year card. If you have a 1 year card, no CE will be required to renew your card. You will only need to access your account through our online certification renewal website: https://www.dps.state.oh.us/certrenewal/main.aspx. If you have a 2 year card, you will need 18 hours of CE to renew; if you have a 3 year card, you will need 36 hours of CE to renew. Upon completing the initial cycle you will enter into the normal 3 year cycle, at which point you will need 54 hours of CE to renew each time.