International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Certification Training

February 28th, March 8, & March 15
Via Zoom

A training program designed to assist green industry professionals in obtaining the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Certified Arborist designation. Attendees of this program will gain an increased knowledge of practices pertaining to the care of trees including identification, proper pruning, and safety. Certified arborists may also attend select sessions for review and qualify for Continuing Education Units(CEU's). This training may be eligible for Landscape Architect CEUs. A Certificate of Attendance will be issued. Contact the NYS Dept. of Ed for further information.

FEES

Registration fee of $455.00 includes an ISA Arborist Certification Study Guide, ANSI Standards and Best Management Compendium Set (Tree Pruning, Tree and Shrub Fertilization, Tree Support Systems, Cabling, Bracing and Guying). Registrations received after February 18th, 2022 may not receive the study materials until after the first session. **Please register early**. No refunds but substitutions allowed. **Please note:** the Study Guide Package is also available in Spanish.

February 28th, 2023
Morning session (1) 8:30am-1:00 pm
Review of Application
Tree ID
Afternoon session (2) 1:30 pm-4:30 pm
Pruning
Tree Risk Assessment
Preservation/Construction

March 8, 2023
Session (3) 12:30 pm-3:30pm
Soil & Water Relationships
Installation & Establishment
Nutrition/Fertilization

Urban Forestry

March 15,2023
Morning session (4) 9:00 am-12:30 pm
Tree Worker Safety
Tree Support & Lightening Protection
Climbing & Working in Trees
Cable & Bracing

Afternoon session (5) 1:30 pm-3:00 pm
Diagnosis/Treatment
Plant Health Care

Questions and Review

Most sessions begin at approximately 8:30 am│END time vary per session│Zoom links will be sent prior to each session │ Please note that session topic and speakers are subject to change│No In-Person Certification Exam

Early Bird Special

Register early for " ALL 5 sessions plus study guide" and receive $20 off the price using CODE: ISABIRD offer expires on 2/20/23
Offer does not apply to " All 5 sessions ONLY-No study guide"

Cornell Cooperative Extension │ Dutchess County
Cornell Cooperative Extension │ Putnam County

To register please click on link below:
All Sessions (Full training w/certification and study guides) : <u>REGISTER HERE</u> or scan QR Code!

Registration Fees:

Registration fee @ $455.00 per trainee – Includes ISA Study Guide and related materials
Certified Arborist CEU fee @ $375.00 per trainee (all 5 sessions) - ISA Study Guide and related materials not included

Certified Arborist CEU fees, Individual Sessions:

$85.00 February 28 8:30 am Session 1
$85.00 February 28 1:30 pm Session 2
$85.00 March 8 12:30 pm Session 3
$85.00 March 15 8:30 am Session 4
$85.00 March 15 1:30 pm Session 5

<u>Payments type accepted</u> are Credit Card, PayPal, or Purchase Order (for municipalities/agencies/business)

ISA Examination Eligibility Requirement

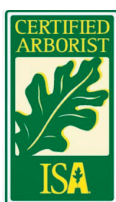The ISA Certification Board requires a candidate to have a minimum of three years experience in arboriculture. Acceptable experience includes the practical use of knowledge involved in pruning, fertilization, installation and establishment, diagnosis, and treatment of tree problems, cabling and bracing, climbing, or other services that directly relate to arboriculture. Examples of experience sources include but are not limited to:

Tree care companies
Utility personnel
Nursery personnel
Instructors of arboriculture/horticulture
Landscape personnel
Horticulture/Extension Advisors
Municipalities
Consulting Arborist
State forestry personnel
Pest Control Advisors/Applicators

The eligibility requirement may also be satisfied with a two-year degree in arboriculture and two years practical experience or a four-year degree in a related field and one year of practical experience.

By submitting your application, you authorize ISA certification staff to contact the practical experience reference named on your application to substantiate your eligibility.

The ISA Certification Program does not discriminate in determining eligibility on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age disability, or any other characteristic protected by law.

Becoming ISA Certified is a two-step process.
1. Apply to ISA to determine eligibility
2. After approval, enroll to take a computer-based exam

Trainees must apply **separately to ISA** to be eligible to take the exam.

The application guide can be found here:
https://www.isa-arbor.com/Portals/0/Assets/PDF/Certification-Applications/cert-Application-Certified-Arborist.pdf

Fees For The Exam Must Be Paid To ISA. CCEDC cannot process exam applications nor accept exam fees.
Once your application is approved by ISA you will be able to enroll for the exam. The Farm & Home Center is closed to the public; therefore in 2023, there will be **no in-person exam.**

Computer-based exams may be taken at Pearson VUE testing facilities. You must first submit your application to ISA and receive approval prior to scheduling to take an exam.

For testing centers visit:
https://home.pearsonvue.com/isa.aspx

More information on Computer-based Exams can be found on the ISA website: https://www.isa-arbor.com/Credentials/Exam-Information

For further information and/or questions please contact:

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