

Certification Agreement and Release Authorization

The International Society of Arboriculture, Inc. (ISA) is a voluntary, non-profit, professional association. The ISA Certification Program certifies qualified practitioners in the field of arboriculture who have met the professional knowledge standards established by ISA.

As an applicant or certificant:

1. I acknowledge that I have read and understand all of the terms and conditions of ISA Certification as defined in the ISA Certified Arborist Municipal Specialist® Application Handbook and in policies of the ISA Certification Program.
2. I agree not to release confidential examination materials or participate in fraudulent test-taking practices.
3. I understand that the ISA Certification Program is separate and distinct from all other ISA programs and services. ISA Certification is not the same as ISA membership. Unless I am also an ISA Member, I cannot use any ISA Member marks or logos.
4. I agree to provide the ISA Certification Program with complete and accurate information related to my certification application and certification, including all changes to home or business address, telephone, or e-mail within sixty (60) days of such a change.
5. I agree that the ISA Credentialing Department has the right to contact any person or organization as part of the review of my initial application. I authorize the release of any information requested by ISA for the purpose of reviewing my application. I agree that ISA has the right to notify appropriate organizations if my application contains false information.
6. I understand that maintaining my ISA Certification is based on my fulfillment of all certification and recertification requirements.
7. I understand that certification granted by ISA does not represent licensure, registration, or other authorization to practice or to conduct business activities for a fee or otherwise.
8. I agree to indemnify and hold ISA and its agents, employees, representatives, and successors harmless against and release them from any and all third party claims, suits, complaints, losses, or liability (claims) (including attorney fees) arising out of or related to my ISA certification, my use and/or display of ISA Certification Program credentials or designations or references to the ISA Certification Program, my professional activities and services, or my other business activities.
9. I understand that ISA certification is personal to me and may not be transferred or assigned to any other individual, organization, or entity. With respect to my use and/or display of ISA certification marks in connection with professional business activities, I agree to comply with all

applicable ISA policies, including ISA Certification Program Policy and Procedure Statement No. 0016, and as may be amended in the future.

10. After being granted ISA Certification, I understand that ISA may be asked by individuals or organizations to verify my certification, including dates of certification, and I agree that such information may be released.
11. I agree that ISA may publish certain professional information concerning me on the ISA Internet site, including my employer and business contact information. I may opt out of having this information published by contacting the ISA Credentialing Department at isa@isa-arbor.com. I further agree that information contained in my application for ISA certification may be used for research and statistical purposes.
12. In the event that my ISA certification expires, is suspended, or is revoked, I agree to immediately stop using and/or displaying the ISA Certified Arborist Municipal Specialist® certification mark, credential, and any other designation indicating an affiliation with ISA Certification. I agree to comply with any additional directives of the ISA Certification Program.
13. ISA retains sole ownership of all certificates and identification cards issued to the credential holder.