

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the price increases?


Certification

- Beginning 1 January 2017, the price for members to be ISA Certified will increase \$20.00 USD.
- Beginning 1 January 2017, the price for non-ISA Members to be ISA Certified will increase by \$30.00 USD

Membership

- Beginning 1 January 2017, the price for an ISA Membership will increase by \$5.00 USD.

For a full description of 2017 Member and Certification Rates, Click [HERE](#).

ISA Membership Rate Pricing and Comparison Chart					
Membership Type	Professional	Senior	Associate	Student	
Current (2016) Rates	\$ 130	\$ 65	\$ 65	FREE w/ chapter membership	
2017 Rate (as of 1 January)	\$ 135	\$ 70	\$ 70	FREE w/ chapter membership	
					
ISA Certification Rate Pricing and Comparison Chart					
Current (2016) Rates					
Credential	Exam		Recert		Additional CBT Cost
	Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member	
Certified Arborist	\$ 150	\$ 250	\$ 100	\$ 200	\$ 125
Municipal Specialist			\$ 45	\$ 175	
CA expires w/in 25 to 36 months	\$ 100	\$ 230			\$ 125
CA expires w/in 13 to 24 months	\$ 75	\$ 205			\$ 125
CA expires w/in 0 to 12 months	\$ 55	\$ 185			\$ 125
Utility Specialist			\$ 45	\$ 175	
CA expires w/in 25 to 36 months	\$ 100	\$ 230			\$ 125
CA expires w/in 13 to 24 months	\$ 75	\$ 205			\$ 125
CA expires w/in 0 to 12 months	\$ 55	\$ 185			\$ 125
Certified Tree Worker - CS	\$ 115	\$ 165	\$ 45	\$ 60	\$ 125
Certified Tree Worker - AL	\$ 115	\$ 165	\$ 45	\$ 60	\$ 125
BCMA	\$ 475	\$ 575	\$ 250	\$ 350	Included
TRAQ	Varies	Varies	NA	NA	NA
Certification Fee Rate Increase Amount for 2017					
Certification Rate Increase Amount	Exam		Recert		Additional CBT Cost
	Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member	
Certification Rate Increase Amount	\$ 20	\$ 30	\$ 20	\$ 30	NA
New Rates as of 1 January 2017					
Credential	Exam		Recert		Additional CBT Cost
	Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member	
Certified Arborist	\$ 170	\$ 280	\$ 120	\$ 230	\$ 125
Municipal Specialist			\$ 65	\$ 205	
CA expires w/in 25 to 36 months	\$ 120	\$ 260			\$ 125
CA expires w/in 13 to 24 months	\$ 95	\$ 235			\$ 125
CA expires w/in 0 to 12 months	\$ 75	\$ 215			\$ 125
Utility Specialist			\$ 65	\$ 205	
CA expires w/in 25 to 36 months	\$ 120	\$ 260			\$ 125
CA expires w/in 13 to 24 months	\$ 95	\$ 235			\$ 125
CA expires w/in 0 to 12 months	\$ 75	\$ 215			\$ 125
Certified Tree Worker - CS	\$ 135	\$ 195	\$ 65	\$ 90	\$ 125
Certified Tree Worker - AL	\$ 135	\$ 195	\$ 65	\$ 90	\$ 125
BCMA	\$ 495	\$ 605	\$ 270	\$ 380	Included
TRAQ	No Change	No Change	NA	NA	NA

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When will the rate increase take place?

- All rate increases will take place on 1 January 2017.
- All payments received postmarked by 31 December 2016 will be processed at the old rate.
- All payments received postmarked on or after 1 January 2017 will be processed at the increased rate.

The ISA Headquarters office will be closed from 23 December – 2 January. Will I be required to pay the increased amount if I mail my enrollment, recertification, or membership payment during this scheduled time?

- All payments received postmarked by 31 December 2016 will be processed at the old rate.
- All payments received postmarked on or after 1 January 2017 will be processed at the increased rate.

Can I pre-pay my ISA Membership?

- YES! Even if your membership expires at a later date, you may pay in advance to take advantage of the 2016 rates.

Can I pre-pay my ISA Certification?

- If you are within 90 days of your certification expiration and have earned the required number of CEUs in your certification period, the answer is YES!
- To view your current CEU status, click [here](#).

When was the last time ISA increased its fees?

Certification

- It has been since 2008 that ISA has implemented increases in enrollment or recertification fees!
- Computer-based testing administrative fees were raised by \$25.00 USD in 2015 to cover Pearson VUEs increase only

Membership

- The last time ISA Membership fees increased was in 2012.

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Why are the prices being increased?

Certification

- We hope you have enjoyed the added value recent program improvements provide, such as the [CTW merger](#) and a revamp of the [BCMA exam](#).
- New credential holders and those who recertify are receiving an updated ISA Credential ID card that can be used to market themselves and their ISA certification along with other new branding services.
- We've made maintaining your credential even easier with ISA's convenient online access. Visit the [CEU Portal](#) to get started!

Membership

- Your time is important to us! We continue to work toward lowering your call wait time and increasing our service to you!
- Need resources that fit your own schedule? Use the online version of [ISA Publications](#) and the [Online Learning Center](#) to increase your knowledge!
- ISA is continuing to add value to our membership through partnerships and programs with outside groups. Be sure to utilize your member discounts on Certification and CEU opportunities!
- Join the ISA network and connect with more than 23,000 members worldwide. To look for your next networking opportunity, visit the [Events Calendar](#) today!