

The European Arboricultural Council and the ISA Certification Board: Working Together to Standardize Arborist Certifications Worldwide

Dear EAC or ISA Credential Holder,

The European Arboricultural Council (EAC) and the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Certification Board are pleased to announce an exciting cooperative agreement that will help to standardize the Professional Arborist Certification credentials around the globe. Very soon, you will be receiving a letter and submission form that will allow you to obtain either an ISA Certification Credential or an EAC credential without taking the examination.

The letter will detail the process and explain who is eligible for each particular credential. This agreement will help arborists and their employers around the globe gain a better understanding of the knowledge and skill level of the credential holders. Under the agreement, it will be your responsibility to maintain the credentials as detailed by the EAC and ISA Certification Board.

The agreement would allow the following equivalent transfers:

- European Tree Technicians (ETT) could obtain the ISA Board Certified Master Arborist (BCMA)
- European Tree Workers (ETW) could obtain the ISA Certified Arborist (CA) and/or the ISA Certified Tree Worker/Climber Specialist (CTW)
- ISA credential holders who have the BCMA and CTW could obtain the European Tree Technician (ETT)
- ISA credential holders who have the CA and CTW could obtain the European Tree Worker (ETW).

This is not mandatory and it will be up to you to maintain the credentials. You can always choose to go back to the credential that is most helpful to you professionally at the end of the certification period.

Thank you for your commitment to professional arboriculture. We hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to improve the image of arboriculture around the world.

Sincerely, 2006-07-19



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