

# UAA Professional Certification

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The Utility Arborist Association (UAA) is a voluntary, non-profit, professional association. The UAA, in collaboration with the Utility Vegetation Management Association (UVMA), has created the UVM Professional Certification program.

The Utility Vegetation Management Professional Development Program (UVMPDP) Board of Governors was formed to provide for the operations and the oversight of the certification program. UAA is the issuing and governing body.

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## As An Applicant or Certificant:

1. I acknowledge that I have read and understand all the terms and conditions of UAA Professional Certification defined in the UAA Certification Application Handbook.
2. I understand that the UAA Certification Program is separate and distinct from all other UAA programs and services. UAA certification is not the same as UAA membership. Unless I am also a UAA Member, I cannot use any UAA Member marks or logos.
3. I agree to provide the UAA 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.
4. I agree that the UAA 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 UAA for the purpose of reviewing my application. I agree that UAA has the right to notify appropriate organizations if my application contains false information.
5. I understand that maintaining my UAA Certification is based on my fulfillment of all certification and recertification requirements, including compliance with the UAA Professional Certification Program Code of Ethics & Professional Conduct.
6. I agree to report to the UAA my conduct that may violate any provision of the UAA Professional Certification Program Code of Ethics within sixty (60) days of my knowledge of such conduct. This reporting requirement applies to behavior or activities that occurred on or after the date that I applied for UAA certification. (NOTE: Any conduct to be reported under this term must be provided on a separate sheet of paper and submitted with this agreement.)
7. I understand that certification granted by UAA 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 UAA 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 UAA certification, my use and/or display of UAA Certification Program credentials or designations or references to the UAA Certification Program, my professional activities and services, or my other business activities.
9. I understand that UAA 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 UAA certification marks in connection with professional business activities, I agree to comply with all applicable UAA Professional Certification policies, and as may be amended in the future.
10. After being granted UAA Certification, I understand that UAA 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 UAA may publish certain professional information concerning me on the UAA and/or PUVMPDP website, including my employer and business contact information. I may opt out of having this information published by contacting the UAA at [office@gotouaa.org](mailto:office@gotouaa.org). I further agree that information contained in my application for UAA certification may be used for research and statistical purposes.

12. In the event that my UAA certification expires, is suspended, or is revoked, I agree to immediately stop using and/or displaying the UAA Certified Vegetation Management Professional certification mark, credential, and any other designation indicating an affiliation with UAA Certification. I agree to comply with any additional directives of the UAA Certification Program.
13. UAA retains sole ownership of all certificates and identification cards issued to the credential holder.

By my signature, I agree to these terms and acknowledge that I have read and agree to the Professional Utility Vegetation Management Program Code of Ethics & Professional Conduct. I also agree that all permissions granted to the UAA apply equally to the UVMPDP Board of Governors.

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Name

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Signature

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Date