

# Certification Program Membership



## ABC Membership

ABC is your program's connection to the certification world, voice for international certification issues and tool to build professional relationships. Our membership makes up a diverse group of programs which fall under three categories:

### Regulatory

Governmental agencies or their designee that have jurisdiction to administer environmental certification or licensing programs and meet the criteria established by the Association are granted Regulatory Membership. Regulatory program class membership holds the right to nominate, vote and hold office, along with other membership benefits.

### Voluntary

Organizations without governmental jurisdiction to administer environmental certification or licensing programs are granted Voluntary Membership with approval from the Association.

Eligibility is limited to voluntary environmental certification and licensing programs that:

1. Administer their own certification exams only in classifications not offered by the ABC Testing Service
2. Qualify as ABC Testing Service clients and administer to ABC certification exams.

Voluntary program class membership can nominate for any position, hold the office of At-Large Division Director, and vote for Officers and At-Large Division Director along with other membership benefits.

### Provisional

At ABC, we work not only to support existing certification programs, but provide resources for programs needing assistance implementing a certification program. While the provisional membership class cannot vote, nominate, hold office or have representation on the Board of Directors, members can still access the wealth of resources found at ABC and make the most of their membership including *The Certifier* subscription, networking and conference discounts. As the program meets the criteria and is approved by the Board of Directors, Regulatory or Voluntary Member status may be granted. Provisional membership annual dues are \$300 USD.

## Applying for Certification Program Membership

To have your application for certification program membership considered by the ABC Board of Directors:

- Complete the application form on the reverse side of this page.
- Submit application form to the ABC office along with documentation supporting your certification program's status, jurisdiction, and structure of the program, as listed on reverse.

## Dues Schedule

Annual membership dues for Regulatory and Voluntary membership are calculated according to the number of persons certified. Each person certified should be counted only once, regardless of the number of certificates held.

Persons Certified	Membership Dues (USD)
0-30	\$300
31-300	\$600
301-500	\$900
501-1,000	\$1,200
1,001-2,000	\$1,500
2,001 and over	\$1,800

## Membership Benefits

**ABC Testing Service**  
Nationally validated exams to support environmental certification programs are part of our Testing Service. Committees offer technical support to ABC and its members by carrying out our extensive validation process and serving as an appeals board for challenged questions.

**Online Certification Database**  
This resource is at your fingertips in the member's area. Compare more than 130 programs around the globe by state/province, certification category or reciprocity. If you're a certification contact, you'll be provided with a password to update your program's information.

**Networking**  
Connect with our membership which includes almost 50 states, 9 Canadian Provinces and several international programs.

**Publications**  
Our publications keep your program informed of certification issues.

For a complete list of membership benefits, visit [www.abccert.org](http://www.abccert.org).



Submit application form and supporting documentation to:

**Association of Boards of Certification**  
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Phone (515) 232-3623 • Fax (515) 965-6827  
abc@abccert.org • www.abccert.org

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person Title \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Certifying Authority \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Province/ State \_\_\_\_\_

Postal/ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Supporting documentation enclosed with this application:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Authorizing legislation or jurisdictional documentation | <input type="checkbox"/> Governance Structure        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certification Program Standards                         | <input type="checkbox"/> (List any additional) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Guidelines                               |  |

**Type of Membership**     Regulatory Program     Voluntary Program     Provisional Program

### What certification classifications does your program administer? (Check all that apply)

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Treatment (WT)                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater Treatment (WWT)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical/Chemical Industrial Waste (PCIW) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Distribution (Dist)                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Collection (Coll)                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Solid Waste (SoIW)                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Small Water System (VSWS)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Wastewater System (SWWS)         | <input type="checkbox"/> Biosolids Land Application (BLA)          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Laboratory Analyst (WLA)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater Lab Analyst (WWLA)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Inspectors (Insp)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cross-Connection Control (CCC)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Biological Industrial Wastewater (BIW) | <input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance (Main)                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester (BPAT) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                            |  |

To help us continue improving membership benefits and better serve our members, please complete the following:

### How did your organization hear about ABC?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ABC website           | <input type="checkbox"/> ABC staff        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ABC Annual Conference | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry contact |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ABC member            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____      |

### Membership Benefits

Select the membership benefits your organization is interested in. Check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ABC Testing Service               | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry representation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Certifier</i> subscription | <input type="checkbox"/> Conference discounts    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Networking                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Online Certification Database     |  |