



TRAQ Eligibility Appeal Form

To register for a Tree Risk Assessment Qualification (TRAQ) course, applicants must document that they have earned a credential that demonstrates achievement in at least four of the core areas of knowledge listed at the bottom of this form. The *ISA Qualification Handbook: Tree Risk Assessment* includes a list of credentials that ISA accepts to meet this requirement. Individuals with credentials that are not on the list may submit an appeal to ISA for approval of their credential and consequent eligibility to register for a TRAQ course.

If you would like ISA to consider accepting your credential in fulfillment of the TRAQ eligibility requirement, complete both sides of this form and email it to qual@isa-arbor.com with the words "Eligibility Appeal" in the subject line. Include PDFs of

- Your certificate or other documentation showing that you have earned the credential
- Evidence of the content of the credential (such as a course or test outline, syllabus, or description of the content)

The review process includes both staff research and review by the Certification Board, which may take several months. ISA will contact you with the result of your appeal after the review is completed.

Your name:

Your email address:

Name of credential:

Organization that issues the credential (credentialing body):

Credentialing body information

Website:

Name of person to contact (if available):

Email address:

Core areas of knowledge demonstrated by obtaining the credential (must include at least 4):

A basic knowledge and comprehension of tree biology, especially as it relates to basic tree anatomy, wood structure and function, and wood decay

The knowledge to identify the major tree species in the local area

A fundamental knowledge of arboricultural practices, including pruning and tree support systems

The knowledge to assess tree health and diagnose biotic and abiotic disorders common to trees in the local area

A basic understanding of soil science and local soil conditions

Explain how the credential demonstrates the areas of knowledge.