

NEW JERSEY BOARD OF TREE EXPERTS

Licensed Tree Expert (LTE) Written Exam Exemption CHECKLIST			
	Applicants Name & Date Reviewed: <hr/>	15 Points Needed	NOTES
	CATEGORY		
1	BCMA - ISA Board Certified Master Arborist (current)	15	
2	CA – ISA Certified Arborist (current)	10	
3	MASTERS DEGREE or PhD (from an accredited school in a related field)* ¹	2-5	
4	BACHELORS DEGREE (from an accredited school in a related field)* ¹ (Not Applicable for MS or PhD)* ²	2-4	
5	ASSOCIATES DEGREE (from an accredited school in a related field)* ¹ (Not Applicable for BS, MS or PhD)* ²	1-2	
6	OUT OF STATE Arboricultural Certification, Registration, or License (current) (list TBD)* ³	0-5	
7	CTSP – TCIA Certified Tree Safety Professional (current)	4	
8	TRAQ – Tree Risk Assessment Qualification (current)	3	
9	TRACE – Tree Risk Assessor Course & Exam (Not applicable for TRAQ qualified)* ⁴	1	
10	CF – Certified Forester - SAF (current)	2	
11	RCA – Registered Consulting Arborist (current)	2	
12	PESTICIDE LICENSE (Ornamental or Forest - NJ Category 2 or 3a - current)	2	
13	CNLP – Certified Nursery & Landscape Professional (current)	1	
14	32 approved CEUs obtained in the previous 2 years	1	
15	Professional involvement in industry: e.g. board member, instructor (Board discretion)	0-1	
16	FIRST AID CPR (current)	1	
17	ISA MUNICIPAL SPECIALIST (current)	1	
18	ISA UTILITY SPECIALIST (current)	1	
19	CAA CHIPPER SPECIALIST (current)	½	
20	ISA TREEWORKER CLIMBER SPECIALIST (current)	1	
21	ISA TREEWORKER AERIAL LIFT SPECIALIST (current)	1	
22	CAA EHAP – TCIA Electrical Hazard Awareness Program (class instructed and tested, current)	1	
23	CAA CLASS - CHAIN SAW SAFETY (hands on, current)	1	
24	CAA CLASS - STUMP GRINDER SAFETY (current)	½	
25	CAA CLASS - MINI SKID (current)	½	
26	EXPERIENCE 1= >10YRS, 2= >20YRS, 3= >30YRS	0-3	
27	BOARD DISCRETIONARY POINT	0-1	
	TOTAL POINTS:		

The NJ Board of Tree Experts reserves the right to acknowledge any other credential, license or qualification, or make any other changes to this checklist it deems appropriate to effectuate the law.

Note: All applicants are required to take the field exam regardless of point totals.

***FOOT NOTES – see checklist’s foot-note number to the corresponding category found within the LTE Written Exam Exemption Checklist:**

- *1 For accredited degrees in Arboriculture, Forestry, Ornamental/Environmental Horticulture, Natural Resources or any other related field, at the discretion of the board. If submitting for points for education, please include transcripts.
 - *2 Education points will be awarded for the highest degree obtained (not cumulative for each degree obtained) at the discretion of the board.
 - *3 Submit documentation for the Board’s review of your State’s system for demonstrating arboricultural proficiency. A list will be developed as applications are reviewed.
 - *4 Because the TRACE program was replaced by TRAQ, the point for TRACE will not be counted for anyone who also has the TRAQ certification.
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NOTE:

LTE Written Exam Exemption:

A total of 15 points or more on the Licensed Tree Expert (LTE) Written Exam Exemption Checklist exempts an individual from the written portion of the Licensed Tree Expert (LTE) exam, pending the Board’s approval of the submitted documentation.

LTE Field Exam:

All applicants are required to take the LTE field exam.



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