

Frequently Asked Questions

National Training and Certification Conference on Chinese or Defective Drywall in America

Question: Can an individual have more than one certification? If so, what is the cost for the additional certification?

Answer: Yes. An individual can obtain multiple certifications. An individual can register for multiple certifications in which the highest level certification becomes their primary designation and the next level becomes the secondary designation (3rd & 4th, etc.) Upon registering for the certifications the individual will pay the full cost for the primary (highest level) certification and the additional certification(s) would be provided at half price (50% discount). The discounted rates are only provided upon registration of multiple certifications at the same conference/training seminar.

Note: A secondary designation is classified as a designation that is below that of the primary designation, see the following examples:

(Lowest Level) **CDDI** **CDDPM** **CDDC** **CDDR** (Highest Level)

(Example 1: Primary – CDDR; Secondary - CDDC or CDDPM or CDDI)

(Example 2: Primary – CDDC; Secondary – CDDPM or CDDI)

(Example 3: Primary – CDDPM; Secondary – CDDC or CDDR) - **INCORRECT**

If the individual does not pass the primary exam, then they still have the option to take the secondary exam; however, you will be given an opportunity to pass the exam.

Question: Can I retake an exam if I fail the first time?

Answer: Yes. If you fail the first exam will be able to retake the exam (different test version) after a seven (7) day waiting period. You will have to make arrangements to take the second exam at BESI's office in Gainesville, Florida or a test by proxy; a small fee may be incurred. Contact and scheduling information will be provided at the time of the first exam failure.

Question: What are requirements that have to be met in order to pass the certification?

Answer: A course exam will be administered at the end of the training and the individual is required to pass this exam with a minimum of 75% in order to receive the certification.

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Question: I realize that the certification is for an individual; however can a company have a BESI membership, and then send multiple people to the certification to get the membership price?

Answer: No. The BESI membership is for individuals, not companies. However, there is a multiple discount available, see “Are Group Discounts Available”.

Question: Will there be a provider list posted to the Building Envelope Science Institute’s website indicating the names, certification, and contact information for those who become qualified after passing the exam(s)?

Answer: Yes. As a benefit to being a member, there will be a section that contains the names, certification(s) held, and contact information for those that become certified and are BESI members. The list will be updated after each certification training class/conference is held and more people become eligible.

Question: How long is the certification good?

Answer: The initial certification is valid for two (2) years. During this two (2) year period updates will be provided when necessary. The certificate holder will be required to complete continuing education (CE) requirements as established by the institute prior to renewal of the certification.

Question: Are continuing education credits required to maintain my certified designation?

Answer: Yes. The continuing education credits will be established by the Building Envelope Science Institute and certification holders will be notified nine (9) months prior to their renewal period.

Question: If I am undecided about attending the conference, when is the last day that I can register or can I pay at the door?

Answer: It is best to register no later than seven (7) days prior to the conference since the application has to be reviewed and your qualifications need to be verified prior to your receiving the certification(s).

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Registration and/or payment will not be accepted at the door due to the necessity of verifying the qualifications necessary to hold the different certifications. Signing up the day of the certification does not permit adequate time for verification of the attendee's qualification.

Question: Will I receive something that will indicate my certification? When will I receive it?

Answer: Yes. Each person that attends the conference/training class and passes the end of course exam will receive a certificate (suitable for framing) and a BESI Certified lapel pin.

Question: What happens if I forget to attach or provide the information necessary to verify my qualifications prior to attending the conference and passing the final exam?

Answer: You must submit your requirements for review and acceptance before your registration will be processed. You will be contacted as soon as any errors are found or if the application is incomplete and given the opportunity to submit the necessary information so that your registration is processed.

Question: Are group discounts available?

Answer: Yes. there is a group discount available, as seen below.

0 - 5	N/A
6 - 9	10%
10 - 19	15%
20+	20%