



NOTICE

The next Rhode Island **Arborist Exam** will be given on

Friday, January 28, 2011

9:00 A.M. Sharp

**George Washington Management Area
2185 Putnam Pike (Route 44)
Chepachet, Rhode Island 02814**

Pre-registration is required for exam along with exam fee of \$25.00 (\$10.00 for re-take within calendar year) as **seating is limited**. The application and fee must be received by this office no later than **two (2) weeks prior** to exam date. Checks should be made out to General Treasurer, State of RI and sent to the address on the application form. Refunds or credits **are not** provided for "NO SHOWS".

Directions: George Washington Management Area is located on Route 44 in West Glocester. It is 5.5 miles from the stop light (Aegean Pizza) in Chepachet. GWMA is located on the right—watch for signs. **Do not take Campground entrance.** If you come to the intersection of Route 94 (which is on your left) and Route 44, you have gone too far on Route 44.

From Route 295, take Route 44 West and continue on Route 44 until you arrive at GWMA. It will be on your right hand side. Approximately 13 .5 miles.

If you have any questions regarding exam, licensing, or need further directions telephone Peter Lockwood, RI Urban & Community Forestry Coordinator or Cecile Drouin at 401-647-3367 between the hours of 8:30 AM and 3:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

Our next exam will be on March 25, 2011.

Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management
Division of Forest Environment

APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION
ARBORIST LICENSE

Please print clearly.

DATE OF APPLICATION _____ TITLE: _____

NAME: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

City/Town: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (If different): _____

City/Town: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: (___) _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

EMPLOYER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

City/Town: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: (___) _____

The arborist examination is given during the months of January, March, June and October, usually on the last Friday of the month. This date may be subject to change. If the applicant does not receive formal notification by mail, it is recommended that the applicant call Forestry Headquarters at 647-3367 to confirm the date and time of the exam. The exam begins promptly at 9:00 A.M.

Please **circle** which month you wish to take the exam.

January March June October

Enclose examination fee of **\$25.00** (\$10.00 for re-take within same year as original exam) payable to **RI-DEM, Division of Forest Environment** and mail to:

DIVISION OF FOREST ENVIRONMENT
1037 HARTFORD PIKE
NORTH SCITUATE, RI 02857

If this exam is a **re-take**, when did you last take the exam? _____

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EXAM PAID: _____ **CHECK NO.** _____ **DATE:** _____ **EXAM SCORE:** _____

Notification Letter/Exam Score: _____

Rhode Island Arborist License

Exam Specifications

Examinations will be offered for two categories of licenses as follows: **1. Standard Arborist License** issued to persons who pass an examination which includes all phases of arboriculture, and **2. Utility Arborist License** issued to persons who pass an examination *limited to trimming, pruning, climbing, removal and identification of trees, and safety practices relating directly to providing clearance for the safe and reliable operation of utility lines and equipment.*

The examination for the **Standard Arborist License** is a 240 point test. It is made up of questions from each of the 10 domains of study identified by the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) and covered in the ISA Arborists' Certification Study Guide. The examination for the **Utility Arborist License** is a 130 point test made up of questions from the following 6 domains identified by the ISA: tree biology; identification and selection; pruning; tree protection, tree risk management, and safe work practices. In addition, the safety sections of both exams include questions related to an understanding of the ANSI A300 Standards for Tree Care, the ANSI Z133.1 Safety Requirement for Arboricultural Operations, and OSHA Standard No. 1910.269 Subpart R regarding line-clearance tree-trimming operations.

The written exams are augmented by a practical section on tree identification and tying knots. The format for the written portion includes multiple choice questions, true or false questions, matching and fill-in-the-blank questions. The practical tree identification section is a multiple choice format. Tying knots must be demonstrated and their uses explained.

This examination process is intended to demonstrate fitness to engage in arboricultural work as required by RIGL 2-19. A passing grade is achieved by an overall score of 70%.

Exam Fee: **\$25.00**

Retake Fee: **\$10.00** (within one year of original exam)

For information regarding the date and location of the next exam, please access the RIDEM website at <http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/bnatres/forest/pdf/arbexam.pdf> or contact the RIDEM Division of Forest Environment at 647-3367. The exam application and fee must be submitted at least two (2) weeks prior to the exam date. Exam day instructions will be sent to you once the application and fee are received. Please note that "NO SHOWS" are not reimbursed

Recommended Study Materials

ISA ARBORISTS' CERTIFICATION STUDY GUIDE Information on obtaining this guide is available at the ISA website (www.isa-arbor.com) or by contacting the International Society of Arboriculture at P.O. Box 3129, Champaign, IL 61826-3129 or 1-888-472-8733. The guide is available to non-members for \$114.95 plus shipping.

ANSI Standards A300 and Z133.1 are also available through the ISA at www.isa-arbor.com

OSHA Standard 1910.269 subpart R (line-clearance and tree-trimming operations) may be accessed at the OSHA website www.osha.gov or by calling 1-401-528-4669.