

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION OF PROFESSIONAL SOIL CLASSIFIERS BY THE  
ILLINOIS SOIL CLASSIFIERS ASSOCIATION**

Please Print or Type

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name to be printed on certificate)

Residence Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Employer or Business \_\_\_\_\_

Office phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Full or Honorary Full Member of the Illinois Soil Classifiers Association?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Certification applied for:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Professional Soil Classifier in Illinois
- \_\_\_\_\_ Restoration of certificate which has lapsed
- \_\_\_\_\_ Duplicate certificate

STATEMENT OF FORMAL EDUCATION [Sec. 6 (a)]: year degree conferred, name and location of institution

- BS \_\_\_\_\_
- MS \_\_\_\_\_
- PhD \_\_\_\_\_
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Education beyond listed degrees \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

TRANSCRIPTS OF FORMAL ACADEMIC STUDY [Sec. 6 (b)]. Attach transcripts that list soils courses, number of credits (differentiate semester and quarter credits), and grades earned.

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SUMMARY OF WORK EXPERIENCE [Sec. 6 (c)]. Describe your capacity and activities as defined in Section 2.05 of the Standards for Certification. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

Job Title	Name and address of employer:
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Dates of employment:	
_____ to _____	Hours per week: _____
Experience: _____	
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NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF SOIL CLASSIFYING EXPERIENCE [Sec. 6 (e)]. Attach narrative describing soil classifying experience.

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REFERENCES [Sec. 6 (d)]. List three (3) individuals that will supply reference information on the applicant's current soil classifying abilities upon request. Check box when applicable.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: (opt) \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor/collaborator [  ]
  
2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: (opt) \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor/collaborator [  ]
  
3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: (opt) \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor/collaborator [  ]

Application fee enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that the application fee will not be returned regardless of the action of the Certification Board.

I understand that I have the right to review the contents of my confidential file.

I certify that the information stated above is true to the best of my knowledge, and I request to be considered promptly for certification in the category indicated above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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<b>Category</b>	<b>Maximum Points</b>
<b>ISCA Member</b> .....	10 points

**Education**

A. BS degree, unrelated field .....	10 points
B. MS degree, unrelated field .....	10 points
C. PhD, unrelated field.....	20 points

**Soil Classification Experience** <sup>1</sup>

A. Soil profile descriptions -1 point per description <sup>2</sup> .....	100 points
B. Wetland Soil Determinations – 1 point per description <sup>2</sup> .....	100 points
C. Judge of Collegiate Soil Judging Contest – 5 points per contest .....	50 points
D. Soil Reports for Waste Water treatment systems – 3 points per report <sup>2</sup> .....	50 points
E. Classify soils per Keys to Soil Taxonomy – 1 point per description <sup>2</sup> .....	50 points
F. Order 1 Soil Survey Map (1) – 1 point per acre mapped <sup>2</sup> .....	25 points
G. Order 2 Soil Survey Map (1) – 1 point per acre mapped <sup>2</sup> .....	25 points
H. Soil interpretations provided – 1 point per instance <sup>2</sup> .....	25 points
I. Judge of High School Soil Judging Contest – 1 point per contest.....	10 points
J. Soil Reports for Stormwater Management – 3 points per report <sup>2</sup> .....	50 points

At least 50 points must be derived from items A or B in the Experience section. Fifty percent of the total points must have occurred within 4 years of the application date for certification.

<sup>1</sup> Soil Classification must meet applicable standards

<sup>2</sup> Double points apply if work was under the supervision of an ISCA certified Soil Classifier