



PRESCRIPTION PRUNING QUALIFICATION (PPQ)

September
15-17, 2025

Upper Arlington, OH

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Upper Arlington, OH 43220

Are you a



CEUs:
Producer: ISA - 7, BCMA - 7(P)
Prescriber: ISA - 15.5,
BCMA - 15.5(P)

a member of a
production
crew or
someone
seeking an
organized
approach to
pruning

(PRODUCER)

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or an



ISA
Certified
Arborist who is
interested in
earning the
PPQ
qualification?
(PRESCRIBER)

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Vision Statement: Develop a new industry paradigm whereby no tree - or group of trees - is pruned without a prescription.

Goal: Improve communication between prescriber, production arborist, and tree owner. Increase clarity when preparing work orders.

PRODUCERS Attend Day-1 only: Don't forget to pick up your PPQ manual at check-in!

Agenda

7:00 am - 7:45 am
Registration and Breakfast

7:45 am
Everyone seated

8:00 am - 9:20 am
Module One - Introduction to the Prescription Pruning Qualification
Presenter Ryan Klein

9:20 am - 10:40 am
Module Two - Part 1 Tree Architecture
Presenter Nick Markley

10:40 am - 10:55 am
Break with refreshments

10:55 am -12:00 pm
Module Two - Part 2 Tree Architecture
Presenter Ryan Klein

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Lunch (provided)

1:00 pm - 2:20 pm
Module Three - Pruning Cuts
Presenter Nick Markley

2:20 pm - 2:35 pm
Break with refreshments

2:35 pm - 4:15 pm
Module Four - Part 1 Guiding Urban Compatible Tree Architecture
Presenter Ryan Klein

4:15 pm - 5:00 pm
Module Four - Part 2 Guiding Urban Compatible Tree Architecture
Presenter Nick Markley

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Unlike many of the texts, publications, and pruning seminars, this training event is a practical guide for strategic planning, specifying, and implementing a proper pruning approach. It is the culmination of decades of Dr. Gilman's research, and it incorporates consistency with the ANSI A300 Standards and BMPs in collaboration with modern practices.



PRODUCER REGISTRATION FEES

REGISTRATION	PRODUCER - DAY 1 ONLY	
IMPORTANT DATES	Ohio Chapter MEMBERS	NON-MEMBERS <small>(non-members residing in Ohio receive 12 months of Chapter membership.)</small>
ON OR BEFORE SEPT. 5	\$190	\$245
AFTER SEPT. 5	\$240	\$295

*Late fees automatically calculated during online registration.
Cancellation refunds honored if requested 30 days prior to the event.
Attendee substitutions will be honored for Day 1 ONLY.

About the Instructors

Ryan Klein is an **Assistant Professor in the Department of Environmental Horticulture at the University of Florida**. His research focuses on the risk associated with urban trees and their survival following hurricanes and other intense storms. Ryan's interest center around exploring the impacts that urban forests have on the health and safety of urban populations. He views the relationship between people and their natural surroundings as being especially significant since most of the world's population live in urban areas and urban sprawl continues to consume our remaining natural spaces. Ryan is currently the Education Representative on the Florida Chapter ISA Board of Directors and is a member of the Education Committee.

Nick Markley has climbed trees in over 20 states and five countries. Nick's home base in in Ohio where he has won the tree climbing championship four-times. His success does not stop there, he was also designated as the champion in two Hawaii competitions, as well as competed at the international level at the International Tree Climbing Championship (ITCC) four times. His best overall finish was 7th place in 2018. Nick spends the majority of his time as a contract climber and conducts training regarding climbing and chainsaw safety, as well as job efficiency. Nick is an ISA Certified Arborist, ISA Certified Tree Worker Climber Specialist, Tree Risk Assessment Qualified, and has the Florida Chapter ISA Prescription Pruning Qualification.

PRESCRIBER REGISTRATION FEES

REGISTRATION	PRESCRIBER - DAY 1, 2 AND 3	
IMPORTANT DATES	Ohio Chapter ISA MEMBERS	NON-MEMBERS (non-members residing in Ohio receive 12 months of Chapter membership.)
ON OR BEFORE SEPT. 5	\$650	\$725
AFTER SEPT. 5	\$700	\$775
Retake Fee	\$175 member/non-member	

*Late fees automatically calculated during online registration.
Cancellation refunds honored if requested 7 days prior to the event; otherwise, a credit will be kept on file for a future PPQ event.
Attendee substitutions will be honored for Day 1 ONLY.

You have to be a CA to sit for this qualification. Your CA information will be vetted.

Once you register, all important information regarding and exam and next steps will be sent to your email address. Please make sure to read through all the instructions.

Prescriber CEUs:
ISA - 15.5,
BCMA - 15.5 (P)

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Prescribers Bring the Whole Crew!

If you are a Prescriber, bring your Producers (crew) to Day-1. Don't regret it later.



"On Day 2 of our first PPQ event, 89 Prescribers were asked, 'How many of you regret not bringing your crew to Day 1?' Everyone raised their hands."

-Lori Ballard, Florida Chapter ISA, Executive Director

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Module Four - Part 2 Guiding Urban
Compatible Tree Architecture (*Markley*)

Day-2 Agenda

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Registration and Breakfast

7:45 am

Everyone seated

8:00 am - 9:40 am

Module 5 - Part 1 Prescription Approach to
Pruning (*Markley*)

9:40 am - 9:55 am

Break with refreshments

9:55 am - 10:25 am

Module 5 - Part 2 Prescription Approach to
Pruning (*Klein*)

10:25 am - 11:10 am

Module 6 - Part 1 Preparing Prescriptions
(*Markley*)

11:10 am - 12:10 pm

Module 6 - Part 2 Preparing Prescriptions
(*Klein*)

12:10 pm - 1:00 pm

Lunch (provided)

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Outside Exercises (*Klein and Markley*)

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Module 7 – Managing Architecture on
Mature Trees (*Klein*)

Day-3 Agenda

7:00 am - 7:45 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:45 am

Everyone seated

8:00 am - 9:30 am

Review Session and Discussion (*Klein and
Markley*)

9:30 am - 9:45 am

Break with refreshments

9:45 am - 10:15 am

Exam Check-In (ID required)

10:15 am - 10:30 am

Instructions and Paperwork

10:30 am -12:30 pm

Exam

