



**AIMS INTERNATIONAL  
CERTIFICATION  
PROGRAM**



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# **AIMS INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

## **RIDE INSPECTION CERTIFICATION**

### **AIMS Associate Ride Inspector Certificate, Level I**

- High School diploma or GED, plus 12 months current employment in the amusement ride inspection field **OR** minimum three years current employment in the amusement ride inspection field
- Eye examination within past 12 months
- Passing grade on Level I Certification Exam

Certificate Renewal –

- 4 CEU (40 hours) AIMS - approved curriculum every 2 years (earned during the renewal period)
- Eye exam as required by Certification Committee

### **AIMS Certified Ride Inspector Certificate, Level II**

- Current AIMS Level I Associate Ride Inspector Certification **OR** NAARSO Level II or III Ride Safety Inspector Certification
- 8 CEU (80 hours) from industry seminars or other applicable courses
- 36 months of current employment in the amusement ride inspection field
- Eye examination within past 6 months
- Passing grade on Level II written, open book and oral Certification Exams

Certificate Renewal –

- 4 CEU (40 hours) AIMS-approved curriculum every 2 years
- Eye exam as required by Certification Committee

### **AIMS Professional Ride Inspector Certificate, Level III**

- Current AIMS Level II Certified Ride Inspector Certificate
- 12 CEU (120 hours) from industry seminars or other applicable courses
- 120 months of current employment in the amusement ride inspection field
- Eye examination within past 12 months
- Passing grade on Level III written, open book and oral Certification Exams

Certificate Renewal –

- 4 CEU (40 hours) AIMS-approved curriculum every 2 years
- Eye exam as required by Certification Committee
- Maintain AIMS Associate Membership
- Serve on AIMS Inspector Examination Committee if asked

## **AIMS INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

### **MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATIONS**

#### **AIMS Certified Maintenance Technician, Level I**

- High School diploma or GED, plus 12 months current employment in the field **OR** minimum three years current employment in the field
- Passing grade on Level I Maintenance Certification Exam

Certificate Renewal –

- 4 CEU (40 hours) AIMS-approved curriculum every 2 years (earned during the renewal period)

#### **AIMS Certified Maintenance Technician, Level II**

- Current AIMS Level I Maintenance Certification
- 8 CEU (80 hours) from industry seminars or other applicable courses
- 36 months of current employment in the amusement maintenance field
- Passing grade on Level II Maintenance Certification Exams

Certificate Renewal –

- 4 CEU (40 hours) AIMS-approved curriculum every 2 years (earned during the renewal period)

#### **AIMS Certified Maintenance Professional, Level III**

- Current AIMS Level II Maintenance Certification
- 12 CEU (120 hours) from industry seminars or other applicable courses
- 120 months of current employment in the amusement maintenance field
- Approved submission of two Safety Seminar course lesson plans
- Documented volunteer service in the amusement industry

Certificate Renewal –

- 4 CEU (40 hours) AIMS-approved curriculum every 2 years (earned during the renewal period)
- Maintain AIMS Associate membership

## **AIMS INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

### **OPERATIONS TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION**

#### **AIMS Certified Operations Technician, Level I**

- High School diploma or GED, plus 12 months current employment in the field **OR** minimum three years current employment in the field
- Passing grade on Level I Operations Certification Exam

Certificate Renewal –

- 4 CEU (40 hours) AIMS-approved curriculum every 2 years (earned during the renewal period)

#### **AIMS Certified Operations Technician, Level II**

- Current AIMS Level I Operations Certification
- 8 CEU (80 hours) from industry seminars or other applicable courses
- 36 months of current employment in the amusement ride operations field
- Passing grade on Level II Operations Certification Exams

Certificate Renewal –

- 4 CEU (40 hours) AIMS-approved curriculum every 2 years (earned during the renewal period)

#### **AIMS Certified Operations Professional, Level III**

- Current AIMS Level II Operations Certification
- 12 CEU (120 hours) from industry seminars or other applicable courses
- 120 months of current employment in the amusement ride operations field
- Approved submission of two Safety Seminar course lesson plans
- Documented volunteer service in the amusement industry

Certificate Renewal –

- 4 CEU (40 hours) AIMS-approved curriculum every 2 years (earned during the renewal period)
- Maintain AIMS Associate membership

### **AQUATICS OPERATIONS CERTIFICATION**

#### **AIMS Certified Aquatics Operations Technician, Level I**

- High School diploma or GED, plus 12 months current employment in the field or minimum three years current employment in the amusement field
- Passing grade on Level I Aquatics Operations Certification Exam
- Certificate Renewal – 4 CEU (40 hours) AIMS-approved curriculum every 2 years (earned during the renewal period)

## **AIMS CERTIFICATION FEES**

### **For Test Applications - Renewals - Reinstatement**

All Certifications are valid for two years.

### **Maintenance, Operations, and Aquatics Certification**

Level I & Level II Certifications:

- Application Fee to test during AIMS Seminar - \$75
- Non-Seminar Test Application Fee - \$100
- Online Testing Fee (Level I Only) - \$125
- On-Time Renewal Fee - \$75
- Expired Certification Reinstatement of up to one year - \$90
- Expired Certification Reinstatement beyond one year - \$70 per certification period, plus \$100

Level III Maintenance and Operations:

- Application Fee - \$125
- On-Time Renewal Fee - \$75
- Expired Certification Reinstatement of up to one year - \$90
- Expired Certification Reinstatement beyond one year – Must reapply for certification

### **AIMS Associate Ride Inspector Level 1 (ARI) Certification**

- Application Fee to test during AIMS Seminar - \$125
- Non-Seminar Application Fee - \$150
- On-Time Renewal Fee - \$75
- Expired Certification Reinstatement of up to one year - \$90
- Expired Certification Reinstatement beyond one year - \$70 per certification period - plus \$100

### **AIMS Certified Ride Inspector Level II (CRI)**

- Application Fee to test during AIMS Seminar - \$150
- Non-Seminar Application Fee - \$175
- On-Time Renewal Fee - \$75
- Expired Certification Reinstatement of up to one year - \$90
- Expired Certification Reinstatement beyond one year - \$70 per certification period - plus \$100

### **AIMS Professional Ride Inspector Level III (PRI)**

- Application Fee to test during AIMS test period - \$175
- Non-Seminar Application Fee – To be determined based on location
- On-Time Renewal Fee - \$75
- Expired Certification Reinstatement of up to one year - \$90
- Expired Certification Reinstatement beyond one year – Must reapply for certification

### **Additional Information**

- All fees are in addition to the examination, education, employment, maintenance, and CEU requirements as stated in the AIMS International Certification Program and are non-refundable.
- All applicants for certification testing must complete a New Application for Certification, pay the exam fee and submit all requirements before they will be permitted to sit for the exam.
- All applicants for Renewal and Reinstatement must complete a Renewal Application, pay the applicable fees, and submit all requirements before a credential is issued.

### **Reinstatement**

- To Reinstatement Levels I and II: 4 CEU are required for each 2-year certification period.
- It is the responsibility of the certificate holder to preserve their certificate and be able to present it upon request.

A Certification period begins April 1 and expires on March 31 after the applicable certification period of 2 years.

### **See Below for Breakdown of Individual Certification Requirements**

## Maintenance Certification Program Requirements

The **Maintenance Certification Program** is designed to confirm the knowledge of individuals working in the maintenance field within the amusement industry. Certification is an outward demonstration of one's knowledge of general activities and technologies that are an integral part of a daily amusement ride program and his or her participation in such activities and programs. Certification is useful for securing additional business opportunities and jurisdictional accreditation as well as for personal development.

There are three levels of maintenance certification.

- **Certified Maintenance Technician, Level I**
- **Certified Maintenance Technician, Level II**
- **Certified Maintenance Professional, Level III**

In order to achieve certification, an individual must provide verification of his or her experience and education. In addition, he or she must receive a passing score on the certification exam. The certifications are renewable. In order to maintain the certification, receipt of continuing education units (CEU), attendance in an AIMS-approved curriculum, and involvement in the amusement industry must be documented.

The AIMS Maintenance Certification Program is the only internationally recognized program for verification of knowledge and participation in the field of amusement ride maintenance.

When an individual achieves a Level III certification, it will be clear that that person is a valuable asset to the amusement industry. A Certified Maintenance Professional is a person who not only has gained knowledge with years of experience, but also unselfishly gives back to the industry.

For more information contact AIMS at 714-425-5747 or [www.aimsintl.org](http://www.aimsintl.org)

### Certified Maintenance Technician Level I Requirements

To be eligible to sit for the Level I exam, the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

1. Education: Applicant must attest to having a high school diploma, college diploma, or GED (General Equivalency Diploma). *Note: if documentation of education cannot be provided, applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride maintenance field for a minimum of 36 months).*
2. Experience: Applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride maintenance field to equal at least 12 months (36 months if no proof of education). Examination: Applicant must receive a passing score on the Level I Maintenance Certification Exam.
3. (Unsuccessful applicants will be eligible to reapply for the exam 60 days after the initial examination date.)



Certification Renewal: To maintain certification, the individual must provide proof of receiving 4 CEU (40 credit hours in an AIMS-approved curriculum) within his or her field during every two-year period following initial Level I certification. Certificate holders may not take the Level I exam again in lieu of receiving CEU in order to maintain the Level I certification.

*Application Fee to Test during AIMS Seminar: \$75. Non-Seminar Application Fee: \$100.*

Renewal Fee: \$75.

*The application fee is charged regardless of the applicant's eligibility or passing of the exam.*

### **Certified Maintenance Technician Level II Requirements**

To be eligible to sit for the Level II exam, the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

1. Education: Previous education attestation for Level I certification on file with AIMS will satisfy this requirement if all criteria have been met. Applicant must provide, at the time the application is made, verification of receipt of 8 CEU from attending amusement industry or other applicable seminars or education.
2. Experience: Applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride maintenance field equaling at least 36 months.
3. Applicant must hold a current AIMS Level I, Certified Maintenance Technician certification.
4. Examination: Applicant must receive a passing score on the Level II Maintenance Certification Exam.  
(Unsuccessful applicants will be eligible to reapply for the exam 60 days after the initial examination date.)

Certification Renewal: To maintain certification, the individual must provide proof of receiving 4 CEU (40 credit hours in an AIMS-approved curriculum) within his or her field during every two-year period following initial Level II certification. Certificate holders may not take the Level II exam again in lieu of receiving CEU in order to maintain the Level II certification.

*Application Fee to Test during AIMS Seminar: \$75. Non-Seminar Application Fee: \$100.*

Renewal Fee: \$75.

*The application fee is charged regardless of the applicant's eligibility or passing of the exam.*

### **Certified Maintenance Professional Level III Requirements**

To be eligible to apply for the Level III certification, the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

1. Education: Previous education attestation for Level II certification on file with AIMS will satisfy this requirement if all criteria have been met. Applicant must provide, at the time the application is made, verification of receipt of 8 CEU from attending amusement industry or other applicable seminars or education.
2. Experience: Applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride maintenance field equaling at least 120 months.
3. Applicant must hold a current AIMS Certified Maintenance Technician Level II certification.
4. Industry Support:
  - i. Applicant must submit two Safety Seminar course lesson plans that fit the requirements on the Level III application Form. The AIMS certification committee must approve the lesson plans.
  - ii. Applicant has demonstrated and can provide evidence documenting his or her volunteer service to the amusement industry.

Certification Renewal: To maintain certification, the individual must provide proof of receiving 4 CEU (40 credit hours in an AIMS-approved curriculum) within his or her field during every two-year period following initial Level III certification and is required to maintain an Associate membership in AIMS International.

***Application Fee: \$150. Renewal Fee: \$75.***

*The application fee is charged regardless of the applicant's eligibility or awarding of Level III certification.*

**Note: Each CEU is equivalent to 10 Credit Hours in an AIMS approved curriculum.**

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## Operations Certification Program Requirements

The **Operations Certification Program** is designed to confirm the knowledge of individuals working in the operations field within the amusement industry. Certification is an outward demonstration of one's knowledge of general activities and technologies that are an integral part of a daily amusement ride program and his or her participation in such activities and programs. Certification is useful for securing additional business opportunities and jurisdictional accreditation as well as personal development.

There are three levels of operations certification.

- **Certified Operations Technician, Level I**
- **Certified Operations Technician, Level II**
- **Certified Operations Professional, Level III**

In order to achieve certification, an individual must provide attestation of his or her experience and education. In addition, he or she must receive a passing score on the certification exam. The certifications are renewable. In order to maintain the certification, receipt of continuing education units (CEU), attendance in an AIMS-approved curriculum and/or involvement in the amusement industry must be documented.

When an individual achieves a Level III certification, it will be clear that that person is a valuable asset to the amusement industry. A Certified Operations Professional is a person who not only has gained knowledge with years of experience, but also unselfishly gives back to the industry.

For more information contact AIMS at 714-425-5747 or [www.aimsintl.org](http://www.aimsintl.org)

### Certified Operations Technician Level I Requirements

To be eligible to sit for the Level I exam, the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

1. Education: Applicant must attest to having a high school diploma, college diploma, or GED (General Equivalency Diploma). *Note: if documentation of education cannot be provided, applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride operations field for a minimum of 36 months).*
2. Experience: Applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride operations field that equals at least 12 months (36 months if no proof of education).
3. Examination: Applicant must receive a passing score on the Level I Operations Certification Exam.
4. (Unsuccessful applicants will be eligible to reapply for the exam 60 days after the initial examination date.)

Certification Renewal: To maintain certification, the individual must provide proof of receiving 4 CEU (40 credit hours in an AIMS-approved curriculum) within his or her field during every two-year period following initial Level I certification.

*Application Fee to Test during AIMS Seminar: \$75. Non-Seminar Application Fee: \$100.*

Renewal Fee: \$75.

*The application fee is charged regardless of the applicant's eligibility or passing of the exam.*

### **Certified Operations Technician Level II Requirements**

To be eligible to sit for the Level II exam, the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

1. Education: Previous education attestation for Level I certification on file with AIMS will satisfy this requirement if all criteria have been met. Applicant must provide, at the time the application is made, verification of receipt of 8 CEU from attending amusement industry or other applicable seminars or education.
2. Experience: Applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride operations field that equals at least 36 months.
3. Applicant must hold a current AIMS Certified Operations Technician Level I certification.
4. Examination: Applicant must receive a passing score on the Level II Operations Certification Exam. (Unsuccessful applicants will be eligible to reapply for the exam 60 days after the initial examination date.)

Certification Renewal: To maintain certification, the individual must provide proof of receiving 4 CEU (40 credit hours in an AIMS-approved curriculum) within his or her field during every two-year period following initial Level II certification. Certificate holders may not take the Level II exam again in lieu of receiving CEU in order to maintain the Level II certification.

*Application Fee to Test during AIMS Seminar: \$75. Non-Seminar Application Fee: \$100.*

Renewal Fee: \$75.

*The application fee is charged regardless of the applicant's eligibility or passing of the exam.*

### **Certified Operations Professional Level III Requirements**

To be eligible to apply for the Level III certification, the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

1. Education: Previous education attestation for Level II certification on file with AIMS will satisfy this requirement if all criteria have been met. Applicant

must provide, at the time the application is made, verification of receipt of 8 CEU from attending amusement industry or other applicable seminars or education.

2. Experience: Applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride operations field that equals at least 120 months.
3. Applicant must hold a current AIMS Certified Operations Technician Level II certification.
4. Industry Support:
  - i. Applicant must submit two Safety Seminar course lesson plans that fit the requirements on the Level III application Form. The AIMS certification committee must approve the lesson plans.
  - ii. Applicant has demonstrated and can provide evidence documenting his or her volunteer service to the amusement industry.

Certification Renewal: To maintain certification, the individual must provide proof of receiving 4 CEU (40 credit hours in an AIMS-approved curriculum) within his or her field during every two-year period following initial Level III certification and is required to maintain an Associate membership in AIMS International.

*Application Fee: \$150. Renewal Fee: \$70.*

*The application fee is charged regardless of the applicant's eligibility or awarding of Level III certification. **Note: Each CEU is equivalent to 10 Credit Hours in an AIMS approved curriculum.** The content, rules and requirements of this program may change without notice. The current AIMS Certification Program is published at [www.aimsintl.org](http://www.aimsintl.org).*

## Inspector Certification Program Requirements

The **Inspector Certification Program** is designed to confirm the knowledge of individuals working in the inspection field within the amusement industry. Certification is an outward demonstration of one's knowledge of general activities and technologies that are an integral part of a daily amusement ride program and his or her participation in such activities and programs. Certification is useful for securing additional business opportunities and jurisdictional accreditation as well as personal development.

There are three levels of inspector certification.

- **Level I - Associate Ride Inspector (ARI)**
- **Level II - Certified Ride Inspector (CRI)**
- **Level III - Professional Ride Inspector (PRI)**

In order to achieve certification, an individual must provide verification of his or her industry experience and education. In addition, he or she must receive passing scores on the certification exams. The certifications are renewable. In order to maintain the certification, receipt of continuing education units (CEU), attendance in an AIMS-approved curriculum, and involvement in the amusement industry must be documented.

The AIMS Inspector Certification Program is an internationally recognized program for verification of knowledge and participation in the field of amusement ride inspection.

When an individual achieves a Level III certification, it will be clear that that person is a valuable asset to the amusement industry. A Professional Ride Inspector is a person who not only has gained knowledge with years of experience, but he or she also unselfishly gives back to the industry from which he or she has benefited.

For more information contact AIMS at 714-425-5747 or [www.aimsintl.org](http://www.aimsintl.org)

### **Associate Ride Inspector (ARI) Level I Requirements**

To be eligible to sit for the Level I exam, the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

1. Education: Applicant must attest to having a high school diploma, college diploma, or GED (General Equivalency Diploma). *Note: if documentation of education cannot be provided, applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride inspection field for a minimum of 36 months).*
2. Experience: Applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride inspection field that equals at least 12 months (36 months if no proof of education).
3. Examination: Applicant must receive a passing score on the Associate Ride Inspector exam.

4. Eye Exam: Applicant must show evidence of passing an eye exam within the previous 6 months. The requirements of the exam are prescribed in the AIMS Inspector Application for Certification
5. (Unsuccessful applicants will be eligible to reapply for the exam 60 days after the initial examination date.)

Certification Renewal: To maintain certification, the individual must provide proof of receiving 4 CEU (40 credit hours in an AIMS-approved curriculum) within his or her field during every two-year period following initial Level I certification.

*Application Fee to Test during AIMS Seminar: \$125. Non-Seminar Application Fee: \$150.*

Renewal Fee: \$75.

### **Certified Ride Inspector (CRI) Level II Requirements**

To be eligible to sit for the Level II exam, the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

1. Education: Previous education verification for Level I certification on file with AIMS will satisfy this requirement if all criteria have been met. Applicant must provide, at the time the application is made, verification of receipt of 8 CEU from attending amusement industry or other applicable seminars or education.
2. Experience: Applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride inspection field for that equals at least 36 months.
3. Eye Exam: Applicant must show evidence of passing an eye exam within the previous 12 months. The requirements of the exam are prescribed in the AIMS Inspector Application for Certification.
4. Applicant must hold a current AIMS Level I, Associate Ride Inspector certification or a current *Certified Amusement Ride Safety Inspector, Level II (Advanced) or Level III (Senior)* certification from the National Association of Amusement Ride Safety Officials (NAARSO).
5. Examination: Applicant must receive a passing score on all Certified Ride Inspector exams:
6. Written Exam: Applicant must receive a passing score on a multiple choice and fill-in-the-blank exam covering ASTM standards (provided for exam) and questions regarding the application of a generic ride manual (provided for exam).
  - i. Oral Exam: Applicant must receive a passing score on an oral examination administered by no less than three examiners.
  - ii. Certification Renewal: To maintain certification, the individual must provide proof of receiving 4 CEU (40 credit hours in an AIMS-approved curriculum) within his or her field during every two-year period following initial Level II certification. Certificate holders may not take the Level II exam again in lieu of receiving CEU in order to maintain the Level II certification.

Application Fee to Test during AIMS Seminar: \$150. Non-Seminar Application Fee: \$175.  
Renewal Fee: \$75.

### **Professional Ride Inspector (PRI) Level III Requirements**

To be eligible to apply for the Level III certification, the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

1. Education: Applicant must provide, at the time the application is made, verification of receipt of 12 CEUs from attending amusement industry or other applicable seminars or education.
2. Experience: Applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement ride inspection field that equals at least 120 months.
3. Eye Exam: Applicant must show evidence of passing an eye exam within the previous 12 months. The requirements of the exam are detailed in the AIMS Inspector Application for Certification.
4. Applicant must hold a current AIMS Certified Ride Inspector Level II certification.
5. Industry Support: Applicant has demonstrated and can provide evidence documenting his or her volunteer service to the amusement industry.
6. Examination: Applicant must receive passing scores on all Professional Ride Inspector exams:
  - i. Written Exam: Applicant must receive a passing score on a multiple choice and fill-in-the-blank exam.
  - ii. Open Book Exam: Applicant must receive a passing score on a multiple-choice exam covering ASTM standards (provided for exam) and questions regarding the application of a generic ride manual (provided for exam).
  - iii. Oral Exam: Applicant must receive a passing score on an oral examination administered by no less than three examiners.
  - iv. Practical Exam: Applicant must receive a passing score on a practical exam administered on an actual piece of amusement equipment. Two examiners will administer this exam.

Certification Renewal: To maintain certification, the individual must provide proof of receiving 4 CEU (40 credit hours in an AIMS-approved curriculum) within his or her field during every two-year period following initial Level III certification. Certificate holders may not take the Level I, Level II or Level III exam again in lieu of receiving CEU's in order to maintain the Level III certification.

1. Must maintain Associate membership in AIMS.
2. The individual must be willing to serve on the AIMS Inspector Examination Committee.

Application Fee: During AIMS Level III test period: \$200. Renewal Fee: \$75. *The application fee is charged regardless of the applicant's eligibility or awarding of Level III certification.*



## **Fast Track:**

Individuals who believe they have unique qualifications that meet the intent of the AIMS certification program may apply to the Certification Committee in writing to waive specific requirements of the program.

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## **Aquatics Certification Program Requirements**

The **Aquatics Operations Certification Program** is designed to confirm the knowledge of individuals working in the aquatics operations field within the amusement industry. Certification is an outward demonstration of one's knowledge of general activities and technologies that are an integral part of a daily amusement program and his or her participation in such activities and programs. Certification is useful for securing additional business opportunities and jurisdictional accreditation as well as personal development.

There is one level of aquatics operations certification.

### **Certified Aquatics Operations Technician, Level I**

In order to achieve certification, an individual must provide verification of his or her industry experience and education. In addition, he or she must receive a passing score on the certification exam. The certification is renewable. In order to maintain the certification, receipt of continuing education units (CEU), attendance in an AIMS-approved curriculum, and involvement in the amusement industry must be documented.

The AIMS Aquatics Operations Certification Program is the only internationally recognized program for verification of knowledge and participation in the field of aquatics operations.

For more information contact AIMS at 714-425-5747 or [www.aimsintl.org](http://www.aimsintl.org).

### **Level I, Certified Aquatics Operations Technician Requirements**

1. To be eligible to sit for the Level I exam, the applicant must meet the following qualifications:

- Education: Applicant must attest to having a high school diploma, college diploma, or GED (General Equivalency Diploma). *Note: if documentation of education cannot be*

*provided, applicant must provide dates of employment in the amusement aquatics operations field for a minimum of 36 months).*

- Experience: Applicant must provide proof of current employment in the aquatics operations field for at least 12 months (36 months if no proof of education). A letter from the applicant's employer may serve as verification of meeting the experience requirement; the letter must state dates of employment and positions held within the inspection field. The total time of employment must exceed 12 months. This and all employment verification letters must be written on company letterhead.
2. Examination: Applicant must receive a passing score on the Level I, Aquatics Operations Certification Exam. (Unsuccessful applicants will be eligible to reapply for the exam 180 days after the initial examination date.)
  3. Certification Renewal: To maintain certification, the individual must provide proof of receiving 4 CEU (40 credit hours in an AIMS-approved curriculum) within his or her field during every two-year period following initial Level I certification. Certificate holders may not take the Level I exam again in lieu of receiving CEU in order to maintain the Level I certification.

*Application Fee to Test during AIMS Seminar: \$75. Non-Seminar Application Fee: \$100.*

*Renewal Fee: \$75.*

*The application fee is charged regardless of the applicant's eligibility or passing of the exam.*

**Note: Each CEU is equivalent to 10 Credit Hours in an AIMS approved curriculum.**

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## AIMS International Code of Ethics

AIMS International Certificate Holders shall be cognizant of the following principles and the scope to which they apply, with the understanding that any unauthorized practice is subject to the Certification Committee's review and may result in suspension, reprimand, or revocation of certification.

Certification holders shall:

- **Certificate Holders shall** regard the safety, health and welfare of the public as paramount in the performance of their professional duties.
- **Certificate Holders shall** be honest and truthful in the performance of their professional duties.
- **Certificate Holders shall** perform services only in the areas of their competence.
- **Certificate Holders shall** continue their professional development throughout their careers and shall provide opportunities for the professional and ethical development of those under their supervision.
- **Certificate Holders shall** build their professional reputation on the merit of their services and shall not compete unfairly with others.
- **The Certificate Holders shall** avoid a conflict of interest with the employer or client and shall disclose any business association, or circumstance that might be so considered.
- When Certificate Holders are required to issue public statements, these statements shall be made only in an objective and truthful manner with the authorization of his or her employer to support the integrity, honor and dignity of the amusement industry and all other Certificate Holders.
- **Certificate Holders shall** act with complete integrity in professional matters and be forthright and candid to their employer, the regulator or employer's customer, and with the Certification Committee or its representatives, on matters pertaining to this Code.
- Any violation of any part of this standard of conduct prescribed by this Code of Ethics if related to a Certificate Holder's occupation, including any violation of the Code of Ethics contained in this standard, shall constitute an unauthorized practice subject to the imposition of sanctions.