ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualification

Jonathan E. Perkins Earns ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualification

CHAMPAIGN, III., U.S. April 10, 2015 Jonathan E. Perkins of LEXINGTON, KY, recently earned the ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualification credential by successfully completing the course and passing the exam administered by the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) and the local chapter of ISA.

The ISA Credentialing Program is a voluntary program designed to test an individual's degree of knowledge in the field of arboriculture. The ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualification is the only ISA credential that requires individuals to take a designated course. To earn the qualification upon completion of the course, individuals must pass and exam that includes both a written and field component to test their knowledge of tree risk assessment. To maintain the qualification, individuals must take the course and pass the exam every five years.

The credentialing program is designed to increase the standard of practice and safety in the tree care industry and to promote the professional development of individual practicing arborists. Credentialing also assists the public in identifying qualified tree care professionals. When contracting for tree risk assessment, ISA recommends hiring arborists who are ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualified. Verification of credential-holders is available online at <u>www.isa-arbor.com</u>.

ABOUT ISA

The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA), headquartered in Champaign, III., U.S., is a nonprofit professional organization supporting tree care research and education around the world. As part of ISA's dedication to the care and preservation of shade and ornamental trees, it offers the only internationally-recognized certification program in the industry. For more information about ISA and Tree Risk Assessment Qualification, visit <u>www.isa-arbor.com</u>. To promote the importance of arboriculture and help educate the public about the value of proper tree care, ISA also manages the consumer education website TreesAreGood[™] (www.treesaregood.org).