



# BOARD FOR GLOBAL EHS CREDENTIALING

## BGC December 2021 Announcements



The board and staff members of the Board for Global EHS Credentialing (BGC) extend our warmest wishes to you for health, peace, and prosperity over the holidays and throughout the coming year. Thanks to all of you for protecting the health and safety of people and the environment.

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## OEHS Professionals Help Update CIH Certification Exam

A nine-member panel of occupational and environmental health and safety professionals was instrumental in evaluating the scope of industrial hygiene practice in preparation for the Spring 2022 Certified Industrial Hygienist® (CIH®) examination.

The nine professionals were appointed to conduct the evaluation by the Board for Global EHS Credentialing (BGC) in 2021 to the Job Analysis (JA) Panel to work closely with the psychometric and testing services company, Scantron Corporation.

The panel identified the domains, tasks, knowledge, and skills essential to the performance of a Certified Industrial Hygienist. They were then reviewed by a representative sample of professionals in the practice of industrial hygiene to validate the recommendations.

The JA panel represented a variety of practice settings, geographic regions, educational levels, and years of experience.

“BGC appreciates the dedication of these professionals who have taken on this important responsibility,” said BGC Examination Director, Ron Drafta, CIH. “Their work has helped create the blueprint for the CIH exam which will be offered beginning in April 2022.”

The updated CIH exam blueprint can be viewed on the [BGC Website](#).

BGC offers the premier certification in the world for occupational hygienists: the Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH). These are professionals dedicated to protecting the health and safety of the workforce and our communities. Earning the CIH requires that candidates meet rigorous education and experience requirements, pass an examination, and recertify every five years by fulfilling certification maintenance requirements designed to enhance the ongoing knowledge and skills of the CIH. There are almost 7,000 CIHs globally.

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# blog

[Don't forget to check out our blog.](#) It is updated regularly with interesting and informative posts from our Board members. Each blog post has an area in which you can submit comments. To visit our blog, [go to the BGC website](#) and select the **News** dropdown menu. From there, select **BGC Blog**.

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## Wear Your BGC Credential In Style!

Visit our online store at <https://bgcnow.qbstores.com/> to purchase name-brand items customized with your BGC credential. The site includes a selection of items from shirts to jackets, duffle bags, hats, fleece, and more.

- No minimum purchase
- Generous first-time and ongoing discounts
- Flat-rate shipping



## Upcoming Certification Deadlines

Please be aware of the following deadlines for BGC credentialing programs. Be sure to pay all fees and submit all application or recertification materials before the deadline to avoid late charges.

### **Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH)**

CIH examinations are offered in the spring and fall of each year. All application documents from all sources must be submitted, all materials uploaded, and fees paid by the deadline and approved in order to sit for the exam.

- Application/reapplication deadline for Spring 2022 is February 1, 2022
- Application/reapplication deadline for Fall 2022 is August 1, 2022

CIH recertification/certification-maintenance (CM) deadlines are based on the end date of your recertification cycle. Please refer to your certificate or [log in to your CAPS profile](#) to determine your deadline.

- CM deadline for the cycle ending December 31, 2021 is February 1, 2022
- CM deadline for the cycle ending June 30, 2022 is August 1, 2022

## **Certified Professional Environmental Auditor (CPEA)**

CPEAs are being transitioned to 5-year recertification (CM/CPD) cycles. Your deadline for submitting your Attestation of Recertification Activities form can be found through the [CPEA/CPSA roster](#).

- CM deadline for the cycle ending December 31, 2021 is February 1, 2022

## **Certified Professional Process Safety Auditor (CPSA)**

CPSAs are being transitioned to 5-year recertification (CM/CPD) cycles. Your deadline for submitting your Attestation of Recertification Activities form can be found through the [CPEA/CPSA roster](#).

- CM deadline for the cycle ending December 31, 2021 is February 1, 2022

## **Certified Professional Product Steward (CPPS)**

All application documents from all sources must be submitted, all materials uploaded, and fees paid by the deadline and approved in order to sit for the exam.

- CPPS application deadline for Fall 2022 is **June 1, 2022**

CPPS recertification deadlines are based on the end date of your recertification cycle. Please refer to your BGC certificate to confirm your deadline.

- Recertification deadline for cycle ending June 30, 2025 is August 1, 2025
- Recertification deadline for cycle ending December 31, 2025 is February 1, 2026

## **Environmental Professional In-Training (EPI)**

The EPI designation has no requirement for recertification; however, you may only hold the designation for seven years without sitting for the QEP exam.

## Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP)

QEP recertification deadlines are on a five-year cycle, on the last day of the month in which you originally passed your QEP exam.

- [Please log in to your QEP profile](#) to confirm your deadline date.

## Certified Associate Industrial Hygienist (CAIH)

CAIH recertification/certification-maintenance (CM) deadlines are based on the end date of your recertification cycle.

- CM deadline for cycle ending December 31, 2021 is February 1, 2022
- CM deadline for cycle ending June 30, 2022 is August 1, 2022

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## BGC Holiday Hours

The BGC office will be closed from Friday, December 24, 2021, through January 3, 2022, in observance of the holidays. The BGC office will re-open on Tuesday, January 4, 2022.

Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Eastern Time)

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