



# BOARD FOR GLOBAL EHS CREDENTIALING

## BGC May 2022 Announcements

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## BGC Award Submissions

Reminder: We are now accepting nominations for the **BGC Lynn C. O'Donnell Lifetime Achievement Award**, the **BGC Impact Award**, the **James C. Ball Lifetime Achievement Award**, and the **QEP Annual Award**.

The **BGC Lynn O'Donnell Lifetime Achievement Award** is the highest honor awarded by the Board for Global EHS Credentialing for exemplary contributions to the practice of occupational and environmental hygiene that has culminated over a lifetime of work.

The **BGC Impact Award** is designed to recognize the contributions of BGC Certified Industrial Hygienists (CIHs) or Certified Associate Industrial Hygienists (CAIHs) to the practice of occupational and environmental health and safety at different stages in their career. The BGC Impact Award recognizes the contributions of an individual who has been a Diplomat for less than 20 years.

The prestigious **James C. Ball Lifetime Achievement Award** is conferred by the Board for Global EHS Credentialing to a Certified Professional Environmental Auditor (CPEA) or Certified Process Safety Auditor (CPSA) who has made significant contributions to the environmental, health and safety audit profession throughout his or her career. The award is given in honor of James Ball, an environmental, health and safety auditor who was a leader in the profession, a tireless volunteer for the Board of Environmental, Health & Safety Certifications (BEAC), and a staunch advocate of EHS auditor certifications.

The **QEP Annual Award** is conferred by the Board for Global EHS Credentialing to Qualified Environmental Professionals, Environmental Professionals In-Training, or Qualified Environmental Professionals who voluntarily surrendered the credential who have made exceptional contributions to the environmental profession or to society at large.

Nominees must be a Diplomat of BGC. More information regarding these awards and the submission process can be found on the [BGC website](#).



## BGC Forum at AIHce

This year's BGC Forum will update attendees on the current state of the organization, discuss strategic initiatives, and provide the opportunity for Q&A/Discussion with the BGC leadership to assist the Board in shaping the future of the profession. The session will also take time to recognize individuals who recently received their CIH credentials and conclude with a drawing for an annual fee waiver. If you're planning to attend AIHce this year, we hope to see you at the Forum and at the BGC booth, #1406.

### **BGC Forum at AIHce**

Monday, May 23, 2022 from 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM  
Omni Hotel  
Music Row Room 5

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## **BGC Board Nomination Deadline**

**BGC is accepting self-nominations for the 2023 Board of Directors until June 30, 2022, so please apply now!**

The BGC Board of Directors needs CIHs, QEPs, CPSAs, CPEAs, and CAIHs interested in joining the Board to improve the practice of professionals whose work is based on the science of protecting and enhancing the health and safety of people and the environment. The ideal Board candidate should be a strategic thinker who enjoys collaborative engagement with EHS leaders, practitioners, and the public we serve.

Individuals elected to the Board will participate on the Board as non-voting members as early as October 2022 with the term as voting members running from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2026. Due to the large number of highly qualified candidates, many individuals are not selected the first time that they apply to the Board, so we strongly encourage previously unsuccessful candidates to update their information and reapply.

Please visit our [website](#) to learn more about the Board or to submit your [nomination form](#) and résumé or curriculum vitae. **All nominations received**

**after June 30th** will be automatically included in the pool of applications for the 2024 Board.

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

The CPPS application deadline for Fall 2022 is **June 1, 2022**. 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.

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[Don't forget to check out our blog.](#) It is updated regularly with interesting and informative posts from our Board members. This month's blog, "Leading by Example," was written by BGC Board member Kelly Fernandes. In it, she discusses how taking one course in environmental studies changed her career path entirely and led her to become a CIH.



## 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
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## 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 Fall 2022 is August 1, 2022
- Application/reapplication deadline for Spring 2023 is February 1, 2023

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 June 30, 2022 is August 1, 2022
- CM deadline for the cycle ending December 31, 2022 is February 1, 2023

### 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 online [CPEA CM Handbook - Documents and Forms](#) page.

- CM deadline for the cycle ending December 31, 2022 is February 1, 2023

## **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 online [CPSA CM Handbook - Documents and Forms](#) page.

- CM deadline for the cycle ending December 31, 2022 is February 1, 2023

## **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 June 30, 2022 is August 1, 2022
- CM deadline for cycle ending December 31, 2022 is February 1, 2023

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