



BEAC is pleased to announce a new professional designation in 2012! Certified Process Safety Auditor (CPSA)

The CPSA is an attestation of a process safety auditor's education, experience, training, personal and professional skills and attributes, and adherence to the BEAC Code of Ethics.

CPSA Professional Experience Recognition will be accepted during Phase 1, and is a way for individuals to obtain the CPSA designation before the CPSA exam is offered in 2012.

CPSA Qualification Criteria – Phase 1

EDUCATION

All applicants are required to have an Associate's degree or higher in a technical field such as engineering, sciences, or health and safety. To allow for consideration for cultural and societal differences worldwide, an equivalency review of university or technical school degrees granted outside of the U.S. can be requested.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

General Work Experience – Applicants are required to have a minimum of 15 years of experience with an Associate's degree, or a minimum of 10 years of experience with a Bachelor's degree.

Process Safety Experience - Applicants are required to have verifiable experience gained during the last ten (10) years in at least **two** of the areas described below:

- Implementation of process safety programs.
- Process hazard analysis.
- Management of change.
- Pre start-up safety reviews.
- Process safety information.
- Product stewardship, transportation or distribution of hazardous products.
- Mechanical integrity.
- Requirements of process safety laws, regulations, and related documents.
- Process safety management systems and standards.
- Process safety auditing procedures, processes and auditing techniques.

AUDIT EXPERIENCE

Applicants must provide evidence of auditing experience within the previous 10 years, showing that they have performed either a minimum of 30 comprehensive process safety audits, or have audited for a minimum of 150 days, including at least 30 days on site.

PROCESS SAFETY TRAINING

Applicant must provide evidence of at least 40 hours training in the past three years. At least 32 hours of training should be specific to process safety, and the remaining eight hours should be relevant to auditing, health and safety, or management systems.

CHARACTER REFERENCE

Applicants must provide contact information for **three** individuals who can provide peer references that attest to the applicant's knowledge of process safety and auditing concepts.

Visit www.BEAC.org or email info@beac.org for criteria and additional details.