

Frequently Asked Questions About the Certified Clinical Electrologist (CCE) Certification

1. What is the CCE the exams and for whom are they written?

The Certified Clinical Electrologist (CCE) is based on the needle-modality only and is based on one's current knowledge and practice.

2. What are the eligibility requirements of becoming certified?

The International Commission for Hair Removal Certification (ICHRC), the Society for Clinical and Medical Hair Removal's certification committee, strongly recommends that one be a practicing electrologist or have recently completed electrology training prior to taking the CCE examination. It is recommended that an electrologist be in active practice for one year before sitting for the examination.

3. What should I expect from the exam?

The CCE consists of 100 multiple-choice questions. A content assessment for this exam is available in the CCE/CME study guide, by contacting the home office, or on SCMHR's website. Committees made up of practicing electrologists, physicians, nurses and educators from the United States and Canada developed the exam questions. The ICHRC hand-picked these exam writers based on their expertise in the field.

4. Where and when can I take the CCE exam?

The exam can be proctored at a community college or learning center (ie, Sylvan or Huntington) in your area. You are responsible for contacting the proctoring site and making arrangements. Proctoring fees are your responsibility and separate from any exam fees paid to the Society.

Your exam packet will arrive at your designated proctoring site approximately three weeks after the Home Office receives your application. Those requesting less than three weeks to process the application will be subject to a \$250 "rush" fee, which includes expedited shipping.

5. Can I study for the exam?

The areas tested include knowledge and skill you develop from being in practice, as well as those learned from initial training. If you are a good practitioner and have had quality training, you should have no difficulty passing the examination. The CCE is designed to recognize competent practitioners.

6. After I take the exam, how will I know the results?

Those successfully completing the exam will receive a score and certificate from ICHRC. It takes approximately 4-6 weeks to receive the certificate due to the processing time involved with obtaining test results, printing and mailing. You may begin to use the designation as soon as you have been notified that you have passed the exam.

Those who do not pass the exam will receive a letter detailing scores in each specific exam area.

7. Does my certification expire?

Certification expires five years after the date of the original certification. You must be recertified every five years by either retaking the examination or by accumulating and registering 7.5 (75 hours) of CEUs.

7. What does CEU stand for?

CEU stands for Continuing Education Unit. One CEU is equal to 10 contact hours of participation in an organized continuing education experience under responsible sponsorship, capable direction, and qualified instruction. Up to 2.4 CEUs (24 hours) may be home studies. CEU certificates should be mailed, faxed or emailed to the home office within six months of completion. CEUs will NOT be granted without the proper documentation.

8. What is the purpose of the recertification requirements?

The ICHRC enforces these requirements to ensure that each certified person obtains current information in professional development, explores new knowledge in specific content areas, masters new skills and techniques, and conducts his or her professional practice in a safe and ethical manner.

9. How can I be recertified?

You must either meet the CEU requirements or pass the current applicable examination. You must submit application for recertification (along with payment) at least 2 weeks before your certification expires.