

CPRP Agency Discount

NRPA is now offering discounted Certified Park and Recreation Professional Certification (CPRP) packages for Agencies. Times are tough for everyone right now, and training budgets have been severely reduced. NRPA is answering the call by offering discounted Certified Park and Recreation Professional Certification (CPRP) packages for agencies. Don't miss this opportunity to offer your employees the most sought-after certification in the industry. Encourage professional development through certification, have your employees CPRP certified today.

According to Recreation Management magazine's 2008 Salary Survey of more than 2000 individuals in the field, of those people who plan to seek new certifications, the most (40%) think they should become CPRPs.

Why support certification for your agency staff?

- Maintain and Increase Employee Excellence - Employers that encourage certification are very attractive to potential hires, this stems from a dedication to employee professional development
- Demonstrate Professionalism - Employing Parks and Recreation professionals within your department tells patrons you're dedicated to exceptional customer service and overall quality service
- Assure Knowledge Base of Employees - Employees demonstrate this in the Field of Parks and Recreation through successful completion of the valid and reliable CPRP exam
- Continued Education and Excellence - The CPRP program requires certified professionals to provide 2.0 Continued Education Units to recertify which ensures professional employees are consistently growing in the field of parks and recreation
- The benefits out way the cost – \$55/NRPA member
- \$65/non-member application fee and \$195/exam fee

Certification Packages and Pricing

CPRP Certification Pricing and Savings

Number of Certifications	Agency Member *	Agency Non-Member	Total Savings
3	\$690	\$720	\$60
5	\$1050	\$1100	\$200
10	\$1900	\$2000	\$600
15	\$2550	\$2700	\$1200
20	\$3000	\$3200	\$2000

* includes discounted exam and application fees

Eligibility Requirements

- Have just received, or are set to receive, a Bachelor's degree from a program accredited by the Council on Accreditation (Students who have not yet graduated from an COA accredited program with a major in recreation, park resources, and leisure services but are in their final semester on campus may be able to qualify for exam status)
- Have a Bachelor's degree from any institution in recreation, park resources, or leisure services; and also have no less than 1 year of full-time experience in the field
- Have a Bachelor's degree in a major other than recreation, park resources, or leisure services; and also have no less than 3 years of full-time experience in the field
- Have a high school degree or equivalent, and have 5 years of full-time experience in the field

Application Process

1. Identify the "Agency Package" you would like to purchase
2. Identify prospective staff to apply for the CPRP certification
3. Complete ["Agency Application."](#)

About the CPRP Exam:

This examination is one of the principal requirements for certification as a "Certified Park and Recreation Professional" (CPRP). It is designed to assess the base knowledge of job related tasks common to entry level professionals. The examination is administered under the auspices of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) National Certification Board (NCB). The NCB consists of professionals representing all areas of the leisure services profession and various geographical regions of the country, who have volunteered their time and expertise to provide overall guidance to the Parks, Recreation, and Leisure Service Certification Program.

A national job analysis was conducted in 1989 and again in 1999 and 2006, to identify the important core components of the leisure service profession. The NCB appointed Job Analysis Advisory Committee conducted the study, which culminated in the test specifications. This test content outline serves as the blueprint for constructing the examination.

All examination items (questions) have been written and reviewed by content experts representing all areas of the leisure services profession and all geographical regions. These individuals provide the job related perspective and expertise that underlies valid examinations. The examination is designed to be a comprehensive, job related, and objective measure of an individual leisure service professional's knowledge in areas identified by the test content outline.

For more information on the CPRP certification please contact the National Recreation and Park Association at www.nrpa.org/cprp or call 1.800.626.6772.