



CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS Landscape Irrigation Auditor

CEU SUBMISSION PACKAGE

June, 2011

1. Read and follow the **Procedures to Submit Field Audits**. Audit field work and calculations must be conducted and completed independently by the candidate with no outside assistance of any type.
2. Complete the **CEU Pre-Approval Application Form**. No fee required for application.
3. Conduct field audit. Record all audit data on IA forms – 8 worksheets for rotor area and 8 worksheets for spray area. Only data submitted on IA forms will be used to grade the audit. Do not submit additional materials or photographs. Fill out the candidate and site info at the top of every audit worksheet. Do not write your name on the worksheets, only your Candidate ID.
 - For the rotor area audit, complete a designated watering days irrigation schedule. Assume watering restrictions are in place that will limit irrigation to every third day.
 - For the spray area audit, complete a soil moisture bucket irrigation schedule.
4. Complete the **Audit Submission Form with payment** to the IA office at the address below.
5. **FIRST TIME SUBMISSIONS:** Mail original **Submission Form** and **16 Audit Worksheets** to the Irrigation Association. Make a copy for your records. You will receive email verification when your audit is received at the IA office. If you do not receive verification of receipt within two weeks of sending the audit contact the IA office.
6. **RESUBMISSIONS:** Mail original **Resubmission Form** with payment information and corrected **Audit Worksheets** to the Irrigation Association. Make a copy for your records. You will receive email verification when your audit is received at the IA office. If you do not receive verification of receipt within two weeks of sending the audit contact the IA office.
7. Certified professionals who have submitted passing audits will receive four CEUs. CEUs will be automatically entered on your record.
8. Send to:
Cory Harlow
Irrigation Association
6540 Arlington Blvd
Falls Church, VA 22042-6638

PROCEDURES TO CONDUCT AND SUBMIT FIELD AUDITS FOR CEUS

To submit an irrigation audit for CEUs you must:

- 1) Be pre-approved for the program.
- 2) Be a current CLIA who completed their certification prior to June 1, 2011.
- 3) Successful completion of independent field audit:
Landscape - one rotor (minimum 4 heads) and one spray (minimum 8 heads) area on new CEU specific audit forms (posted June, 2011).
- 4) Submit payment for audit submission.
- 5) Once successfully completed, CEUs will be automatically added to your record. You must pass the audit to earn CEUs.

Candidates are required to conduct audits and complete calculations independently with no assistance. Audits conducted as part of a class do not meet this requirement.

WHEN YOU ARE READY TO CONDUCT THE FIELD AUDIT

- 1) Check the IA web site for the correct version of the Audit Work Sheets. Print a hard copy of the forms. Audits must be submitted on these worksheets.
- 2) Conduct field audit. **For rotor area complete the designated days schedule assuming watering restrictions allowing watering every third day. For the spray zone, complete the soil moisture bucket schedule.** Fill out all information completely including date(s), time(s), pressure and flow data, etc.
- 3) Complete the remaining forms making sure to show all values and calculations. Pay careful attention to the DU_{LQ}, precipitation rate and run time calculations. These must be calculated to within the rounding margin of error in order for the audit to be approved.

WHEN YOU ARE READY TO SUBMIT YOUR FIELD AUDIT

- 1) Sign and make sure all pages are included
- 2) Make a copy for your records
- 3) Mail the original audit to:
Cory Harlow
Irrigation Association
6540 Arlington Blvd.
Falls Church, VA 22042
- 4) You will be notified when the audit is received at the IA
- 5) Results will be mailed to the address shown on the verification form.

RESULTS AND CEU UPDATE MAY TAKE UP TO TWELVE WEEKS TO COMPLETE.

The Irrigation Association reserves the right to revoke any certification if it was obtained under conditions that did not meet the posted requirements, if any portion of the Code of Ethics is not upheld or if renewal/CEU procedures are not adhered to.

REJECTING AUDITS

Audits may be rejected if you receive assistance or if you observe someone while they conduct their audit on the same site where you will be conducting your field work.

If there is reason to believe that the audit was not conducted independently or if any information was copied or falsified, the certified professional will be notified in writing and given an opportunity to respond. After investigating, the certification board will make a decision about the consequences which may include a partial or full ban of the certified professional's involvement in the IA Certification Program. The certified professional will be notified in writing of the decision.

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Site Conditions Review – Rotor Worksheet # 1

Project Name		Date	
Address		Candidate ID #	
City, State		Page	of

Controller ID/Name					
Controller station(s) #					
Area/location					
Irrigated area	ft ²	ft ²	ft ²	ft ²	ft ²
Plant material (all that apply)					
Plant condition (choose one)					
Microclimate (choose one)					
Soil category (choose one)					
Root depth	in.	in.	in.	in.	in.
Slope (choose one)					
Compaction (Y/N)					
Runtime until runoff	min	min	min	min	min
Standing water (Y/N)					
Hydrozone separation (Y/N)					

Abbreviation Key

Plant Materials

- CS= Cool season turf
- WS= Warm season turf
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- GC= Ground cover

Soil Category

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Microclimate

- FS= Full sun all day
- PS= Part shade, less than 6 hours of sun per day
- SH= Full shade all day
- EX= Extreme conditions (parking lots, south-facing glass or wall)

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Sprinkler System Review – Rotor Worksheet # 2

Project Name		Date	
Address		Candidate ID #	
City, State		Page	of

Abbreviation Key: S = Spray, fixed nozzle R = Rotor, including MSMT nozzles I = Impact X = Needs correction ✓ = Correction

Controller ID/Name										
Controller Station #										
Sprinkler type (choose one)										
Station flow		gpm		gpm		gpm		gpm		gpm
High pressure		psi		psi		psi		psi		psi
Low pressure		psi		psi		psi		psi		psi
Action Required (Place "X" for action needed, ✓ when completed)	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓
Broken pipes										
Missing/broken heads										
Missing nozzle										
psi adjustment needed										
Clogged nozzle										
Heads not turning										
Arc misalignment										
Low head drainage										
Leaking seals/fittings										
Spray deflected/blocked										
Sunken head										
Tilted heads										
Mismatched heads										
Spray/rotor separation										
Spacing uneven										
Valve malfunction										

Observations on Maintenance Frequency

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Controller Features – Rotor Worksheet # 4

Project Name		Date	
Address		Candidate ID #	
City, State		Page	of

Manufacturer		Central Control (check one)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Model Number		Weather Station (check one)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Stations Being Used		Smart Controller (check one)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Station Run Time Range (min)			
Minimum		Maximum	
Number of Programs		Start Times/Program	
Calendar Days (check one)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 7 days	<input type="checkbox"/> 14 days	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain)	
Irrigation Interval (check options available)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Daily	<input type="checkbox"/> Even/Odd	<input type="checkbox"/> Custom (explain)	
Rain delay (maximum days)		Skip Day Period (maximum days)	
Percent Adjust Options (check applicable)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Global	<input type="checkbox"/> By program	<input type="checkbox"/> By station	<input type="checkbox"/> By month
<input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal			
Sensors Installed (make & model)			
Rain			
Freeze			
Wind			
Temperature			
Flow			
Soil moisture			
Tipping bucket			
Notes			

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Test Area Map – Rotor Worksheet # 6

Project Name		Date	
Address		Candidate ID #	
City, State		Page	of

Test Area/Station								
Test Run Time		min	Wind		mph	Pressure		psi
Meter Start			Meter Stop			Total		

**Indicate north and ALL audit area and sprinkler dimensions

O = SPRINKLER – Record the location of each sprinkler and sprinkler spacing.

X = CATCH DEVICE – Record the location of each catch device and catch amount.

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Catch Can Test – Rotor Worksheet # 7

Project Name		Date	
Address		Candidate ID #	
City, State		Page	of

Test Area/Station			
Catch Device Area (A_{CD})		in. ²	Test Run Time (t_R)
			min

Catch Device Volumes: *All values and calculations must be completed on this page; auditing software is not acceptable for use in determining these values.*

#1		#13		#25		#37		#49		#61		#73	
#2		#14		#26		#38		#50		#62		#74	
#3		#15		#27		#39		#51		#63		#75	
#4		#16		#28		#40		#52		#64		#76	
#5		#17		#29		#41		#53		#65		#77	
#6		#18		#30		#42		#54		#66		#78	
#7		#19		#31		#43		#55		#67		#79	
#8		#20		#32		#44		#56		#68		#80	
#9		#21		#33		#45		#57		#69		#81	
#10		#22		#34		#46		#58		#70		#82	
#11		#23		#35		#47		#59		#71		#83	
#12		#24		#36		#48		#60		#72		#84	
Sub-total		Sub-total		Sub-total		Sub-total		Sub-total		Sub-total		Sub-total	

Total Catch Volume		Total Low Quarter	
Average Volume		Average Low Quarter	

Calculate Distribution Uniformity (show work)	Calculate Net Precipitation Rate (show work)
$DU_{LQ} = \frac{\text{avg catch in low quarter}}{\text{avg catch volume}}$ $= \frac{\text{_____ mL}}{\text{_____ mL}}$ $= \text{_____}$	$PR_{net} = \frac{3.66 \times V_{avg}}{T_r \times A_{CD}}$ $= \frac{3.66 \times (\text{_____ mL})}{(\text{_____ min}) \times (\text{_____ in.}^2)}$ $= \text{_____}$

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Designated Watering Days Irrigation Schedule – Rotor Worksheet # 8

Project Name		Date	
Address		Candidate ID #	
City, State		Station	

Watering Days or Interval (see instructions)				
Plant Water Requirement		Value	Units	Source
A.	Hydrozone type			field observation
B.	Reference period		days	
C.	Reference ET [ET _O]		in.	weather data
D.	Landscape coefficient [K _L]			K _T × K _d × K _{mc}
	1) Turf or plant factor [K _T or K _P]			charts & tables
	2) Vegetation density factor [K _d]			charts & tables
	3) Microclimate factor [K _{mc}]			charts & tables
E.	Landscape ET [ET _L]		in.	C × D
F.	Average daily ET _L		in.	E ÷ B
Sprinkler Performance		Value	Units	Source
G.	Precipitation rate [PR]		in./h	audit or calculation
H.	Distribution uniformity [DU _{LQ}]		decimal	audit or estimate
I.	Scheduling multiplier [SM]			table or equation
Scheduling Parameters		Value	Units	Source
J.	Irrigation interval		days	watering days (see instructions)
K.	Water to apply		in.	J × F
L.	Lower boundary		min	(K ÷ G) × 60
M.	Upper boundary		min	(L × I)
N.	Selected Run Time		min	management decision
O.	Determine cycle starts (CHOOSE METHOD A OR B)			
	a. Observed time to runoff		min	field observation
OR	b. Site conditions		cycles	based on site conditions
	1) Soil category			Coarse = 1, Medium = 2, Fine = 3
	2) Slope			Flat = 0, Slight = 1, Moderate = 2, Steep = 3
	3) Compaction			No = 0, Yes = 1
	4) Sprinkler type			Rotor = 0, Spray = 1
Scheduling Summary		Value	Units	Source
	Water to be applied		in.	Line K
	Interval		days	Line J
	Cycle starts per day			(Line N ÷ O-a) (round up) or O-b
	Minutes per cycle		min	Line N ÷ Cycle starts

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Plant condition (choose one)					
Microclimate (choose one)					
Soil category (choose one)					
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Irrigation Interval (check options available)			
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Rain delay (maximum days)		Skip Day Period (maximum days)	
Percent Adjust Options (check applicable)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Global	<input type="checkbox"/> By program	<input type="checkbox"/> By station	<input type="checkbox"/> By month
<input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal			
Sensors Installed (make & model)			
Rain			
Freeze			
Wind			
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Tipping bucket			
Notes			

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Sub-total		Sub-total		Sub-total		Sub-total		Sub-total		Sub-total		Sub-total	

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<p>Calculate Distribution Uniformity (show work)</p> $DU_{LQ} = \frac{\text{avg catch in low quarter}}{\text{avg catch volume}}$ $= \frac{\text{mL}}{\text{mL}}$ $= \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$	<p>Calculate Net Precipitation Rate (show work)</p> $PR_{net} = \frac{3.66 \times V_{avg}}{T_r \times A_{CD}}$ $= \frac{3.66 \times (\text{mL})}{(\text{min}) \times (\text{in.}^2)}$ $= \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
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CEU - Soil Moisture Bucket Irrigation Schedule – Spray Worksheet # 8

Project Name		Date	
Address		Candidate ID #	
City, State		Station	

Plant Water Requirement		Value	Units	Source
A.	Hydrozone type			field observation
B.	Reference period		days	
C.	Reference ET [ET _o]		in.	weather data
D.	Landscape coefficient [K _L]			K _T × K _d × K _{mc}
	1) Turf or plant factor [K _T or K _P]			charts & tables
	2) Vegetation density factor [K _d]			charts & tables
	3) Microclimate factor [K _{mc}]			charts & tables
E.	Landscape ET [ET _L]		in.	C × D
F.	Average daily ET _L		in.	E ÷ B
Sprinkler Performance		Value	Units	Source
G.	Precipitation rate [PR]		in./h	audit or calculation
H.	Distribution uniformity [DU _{LQ}]		decimal	audit or estimate
I.	Scheduling multiplier [SM]			table or equation
Soil Moisture "Bucket"		Value	Units	Source
J.	Soil category			field observation
K.	Available water [AW]		in./in.	charts & tables
L.	Root zone depth		in.	field measurement
M.	Plant available water [PAW]		in.	K × L
N.	Management allowable depletion [MAD]		decimal	50% for landscapes
O.	Allowable depletion [AD]		in.	M × N
Scheduling Parameters		Value	Units	Source
P.	Irrigation interval		days	O ÷ F (round down)
Q.	Water to apply		in.	F × P
R.	Lower boundary		min	(Q ÷ G) × 60
S.	Upper boundary		min	(R × I)
T.	Selected Run Time		min	management decision
U.	Determine cycle starts (CHOOSE METHOD A OR B)			
	a. Observed time to runoff		min	field observation
OR	b. Site conditions		cycles	based on site conditions
	1) Soil category			Coarse = 1, Medium = 2, Fine = 3
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	4) Sprinkler type			Rotor = 0, Spray = 1
Scheduling Summary		Value	Units	Source
Water to be applied			in.	Line Q
Interval			days	Line P
Cycle starts per day				(Line T ÷ U-a) (round up) or U-b
Minutes per cycle			min	Line T ÷ Cycle starts