# Irrigation Association Qualifying Continuing Education Units (Beginning August 1, 2018)

All certified professionals must submit 20 continuing education units per 2-year cycle to remain in good standing. A minimum of 5 Tier 1 CEUs per cycle must be related to water-efficient concepts in the field of irrigation.

## Irrigation Association Certifications

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<td>20 CEUs earned for becoming a CID</td>
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<td>10 CEUs earned for additional CID specialties</td>
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<td>10 CEUs earned for becoming a CIC, CIT, CLIA, CGIA, CAIS, CLWM</td>
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### Training Definition

Does not apply to first certification earned.

## Irrigation Association Leadership Roles

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### Activity

- Serving as a board member on an IA affiliate local or state irrigation association
- Serving as a board member or chair/vice chair of a committee with the Irrigation Association
- Serving as a non-compensated member of a state irrigation licensing board or committee

## Irrigation Educational Content Developer

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### Activity

- Writing reference material or irrigation books
- Presenting irrigation related technical papers
- Writing articles for an irrigation publication

## Irrigation Training - TIER 1

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### Activity

- Attending irrigation educational or brand specific courses or seminars
- Teaching irrigation education or brand specific courses or seminars

### Training Definition

- Irrigation courses and seminars are typically sponsored by, but are not limited to, trade associations, educational institutions, IA licensed providers, professional irrigation instructors, manufacturers or distributors.
- Subject matter within this tier is **directly related to irrigation and can be brand specific**.
- Examples of acceptable courses: irrigation scheduling, irrigation hydraulics, irrigation installation or product application scheduling and maintenance. Backflow and water harvesting classes fall in this category. The 40-hour backflow course earns 10 CEUs and recertification course earns 5 CEUs.

## Irrigation Training - TIER 2

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### Activity

- Judging an irrigation competition
- Attending "in-house" irrigation courses or seminars
- Teaching "in-house" irrigation courses or seminars

### Training Definition

- Subject matter is **directly related to irrigation and can be brand specific**.

## Irrigation Training - TIER 3

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### Activity

- Attending irrigation or green industry trade shows
- Attending or teaching green industry or pesticide application courses or seminars
- Attending or teaching business courses or seminars

### Training Definition

- Irrigation or green industry trade shows attendance is considered for walking the trade show floor or attending corporate sales meetings. Staffing of an individual's employer or affiliate trade association booth does not qualify.
- Green industry courses and seminars are typically sponsored by, but not limited to, manufacturers, distributors, trade associations, and educational institutions.
- Subject matter is **indirectly related to irrigation and can be brand specific**.
- Landscape lighting and hardscape classes and seminars do not qualify for IA CEUs.
- Business courses and seminars are typically sponsored by manufacturers, distributors, trade associations, and educational institutions. Subject matter is **directly related to irrigation industry business functions**.