5) Professional References

Please submit two completed letters of reference with your application. List reference contact information below.

**Reference #1 Full Name:**
__________________________________________________________________________________

**How do you know this person?:**
_____________________________________________________________________________

**Email:**
_____________________________________________________________________________

**Reference #2 Full Name:**
__________________________________________________________________________________

**How do you know this person?:**
_____________________________________________________________________________

**Email:**
_____________________________________________________________________________

6) Examination and Proctor

All proctors must be approved. Though other options exist, if reasonably possible, your proctor should be a BCE (see www. entocert.org/roster to find a BCE near you). ESA staff can assist in locating a proctor: Contact bce@entocert.org or call 1-301-731-4535 x3013. Applicants must test within 365 days of acceptance of application. **Application must be received at least 30 days prior to your exam.**

**Proctor Full Name:**
_____________________________________________

**Test Date (if known):**
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**How do you know this proctor?**
_____________________________________________________________________________

**Company/Affiliation:**
_____________________________________________________________________________________

**Mailing Address:**
_________________________________________________________________________________________

**City:**
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**Province/State:**
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**Postal Code:**
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**Country:**
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**Email:**
________________________________________________________

**Phone:**
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7) Fees and Payment Information

All new application fees shown include one attempt at the BCE core and specialty exams. If you are a current ESA member or are joining with this form, choose the ESA member rates. Fees are non-refundable unless application is denied, in which case half to all of the application fees will be returned.

**New Application Fees:**

- Full BCE application/examination fee (includes 1 specialty)
  - $180/ESA members
  - $225/Non-ESA members

- Intern BCE application/examination fee (includes 1 specialty)
  - $20/ESA members
  - $40/Non-ESA members

- Additional specialty examinations (each)
  - $50/ESA members
  - $75/Non-ESA members

**Retesting Fees (only for those completing this application as a retest):**

- Re-examination fee
  - $50/ESA members
  - $75/Non-ESA members

**ESA membership (Calendar year 2018):**

- $148/full members
  - $38/student members
  (must be attending classes in 2018)

**Payment:** All applications must be paid in full in order to be considered. **Total enclosed:**

Please check one:

- Check (check number_________________________)

- Credit card (American Express, Discover, MasterCard, Visa)

  - Credit Card Number:____________________________________________  Exp. Date:_______________  CVV:________________

  - Name on Credit Card: _________________________________________________________

  - Address:  _________________________________________  City:_________________________  State:  _______  Zip:___________

  - Total Amount Charged:___________

  - Signature of Cardholder:______________________________________________________________________________________

Make a copy and mail to:

ESA Certification Corporation, BCE Program, c/o Wachovia Bank; Lockbox 758954, Baltimore, MD  21275-8954
BCE Certification can lead to better visibility, opportunities, and jobs.

In today's complex, competitive, and highly-specialized market, credentials are so important. Even though you know that you have the education and skills to do the job, how do you convince customers and employers you do? Become a Board Certified Entomologist (BCE) and your credentials will be evident to everyone. Bces are some of the most recognized experts in the field of entomology.

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The BCE Program offers certification in six specialty areas:
1. Urban and Industrial Entomology
2. Medical and Veterinary Entomology
3. General Entomology
4. Plant-Related Entomology
5. Pesticide Development, Analysis and Toxicology
6. Regulatory Entomology

Preparing for your BCE exams:
There are many ways to study for the exams. Study suggestions, including recommended books, can be found online at www.entsoc.org/studying-bce-exams. Generally, the Core or Qualifying Exam is going to be much of the same information as was covered in your entomology courses in college.

Why Certify?
People tend to become a BCE for many different reasons, but they all come down to the same thing - professionalism: for you, your team, and your industry. Consider BCE if:

• you want to either advance in your current job or seek a higher challenge. Many professionals have found that having a certified entomologist on staff is a requirement to be able to bid on some commercial contracts.
• you are a manager, owner, or technical director who wants to set an example of professionalism for others.
• you want to be the best in your business. Choose to certify as a way to show your professionalism. Even with an academic degree, choosing to become a BCE is a symbol of the highest professional achievement.

BCE Requirements:
• Adhere by the BCE Code of Ethics
• Submit at least two letters of professional reference
• Academic transcripts and work history (resume or CV) that documents either
  • A 4-year Bachelor's degree in entomology (or a closely related discipline, such as biological sciences, zoology, ecology, etc.) and at least three years of professional work experience post-degree, or
  • A Master’s degree in entomology (or a closely related discipline) and at least two years of experience post-degree, or
  • A PhD in entomology (or a closely-related degree) and at least one year of experience post-degree
• Ability to pass two exams (general qualifying exam and a specialty exam). Those desiring an additional specialty must pass the respective specialty exam(s). After receiving BCE designation, all candidates must continue to abide by the BCE Code of Ethics and document a minimum number of continuing education requirements every three years.

BCE Interns:
BCE Interns are an option for those who meet the academic requirements but don't yet have the experiential requirements. All of the other requirements stay the same. Once the years of experience requirement is met, applicants must convert to full BCE.

BCE and ESA membership:
Membership in the Entomological Society of America (ESA) is not a requirement to become a BCE. However, certification fees are reduced for ESA members. Visit www.entsoc.org/join for information on membership.

Using your BCE:
When you become a BCE, you are added to the searchable online public roster of Board Certified Entomologists at www.entsoc.org. You also receive a professional certificate of accomplishment, a certification wallet card, a window decal, and an attractive BCE lapel pin. In addition, you will be authorized to use the BCE designation after your name, and you’ll have a limited license to use the BCE logo.

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BCE Application and Retesting Form

ASA Certification Corporation
Phone: +1 301-731-4535 x3013 Fax: 301-731-4538 bce@entsoc.org www.entsoc.org

Submit this application and all additional documentation to the ESA Certification Corporation at 3 Park Place, Suite #307, Annapolis, MD 21401 (U.S.A.). You may also apply by scanning and emailing or faxing the application.

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Required fees • Signature on BCE Code of Ethics section below

• Both sides of this application • CV or resume that documents work history
• Academic transcripts • Two letters of professional reference
• Required fees • Signature on BCE Code of Ethics section below

New applications check here = If you are a current applicant and need to retest, if so please fill out sections 1, 2, 6 and 7 only.

Retest applicants check here = If you are a current applicant and need to retest, if so please fill out sections 1, 2, 6 and 7 only.

1) Contact Information

Full Name: __________________________________________

Employer/Company Name: ____________________________

Work Mailing Address: __________________________________

City: __________________________________ State: ______ Zip: ______

Home Address: _______________________________________

City: __________________________________ State: ______ Zip: ______

Primary Email: ______________________________________

Work Phone: ________________________  Home Phone: ________________________

Mobile: ____________________________

Primary Email: ______________________________________

Alt. Email: _________________________________________

Are you an ESA member?  Yes [ ] No [ ]

If yes, I would like to join ESA.  Yes [ ] No [ ]

(Please visit www.entsoc.org/join for more information)

Where did you learn about the BCE program?

2) Certification Information

Choose the specialty area(s) in which you want to be certified: If retesting, check which exam(s) you need to take.

[ ] General Entomology

[ ] Medical and Veterinary Entomology

[ ] Plant-Related Entomology

[ ] Pesticide Development, Analysis, and Toxicology

[ ] Regulatory Entomology

[ ] Urban and Industrial Entomology

Name as you wish it to appear on your certificate: __________________________________________

(Please print/type clearly)

3) Education

Educational/Professional Degree: ____________________________ Date Received: __________

Major/Institution: ____________________________ Inst. Name/Address: ____________________________

[ ] Urban and Industrial Entomology

[ ] Medical and Veterinary Entomology

[ ] General Entomology

[ ] Plant-Related Entomology

[ ] Pesticide Development, Analysis, and Toxicology

[ ] Regulatory Entomology

[ ] Urban and Industrial Entomology

4) BCE Code of Ethics

The BCE Code of Ethics is the guiding set of principles for moral, ethical, and legal conduct to which all Bces and BCE applicants are expected to adhere. The Code details the Bces’ obligations to society, fellow professionals, the public, the profession, and customers or clients and can be found online at www.entsoc.org/bce-code-ethics. By signing your name below you are certifying that if your application to become a BCE is accepted and if you pass your examination and pay the applicable fees, you are willing to adhere to the BCE Code of Ethics.

Signature: __________________________________________ Date: ____________

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