

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the benefits of ASCS certification?

ASCS certification enhances one's professional development and is also a world-wide credential recognizing a person's knowledge and skills relating to HVAC system hygiene.

Is the individual or the business ASCS certified?

NADCA's certification program certifies individuals, not companies. Certified individuals may use the credential in marketing their own expertise. Certification is not transferable to other individuals.

Any certified individual who changes companies must pay a fee to transfer their ASCS certification. The fee is \$375 if the new company is a NADCA member and \$1,610 if the new company is a non-NADCA member.

Individuals have 30 days from their last day of employment to transfer. During the time NADCA is processing the transfer application, the ASCS certification is considered null and void.

[Click here for the ASCS Transfer Form.](#)

Who should become NADCA certified?

NADCA recommends at a minimum that an owner, principal, or key employee of a company become a certified an ASCS This individual must be a full-time employee, be directly responsible for project management, and should oversee all air duct cleaning projects. There is no limit to the number of company representatives who can become certified.

How was the ASCS certification examination developed?

The ASCS was developed in accordance with testing procedures created by the National Organization for Competency Assurance, under the close supervision of independent test development experts. These procedures included an industry-wide survey that gauged the frequency and proficiency of various techniques, subject matter areas, and general knowledge that contractors in the industry agreed are important for competent workmanship. [More information about NADCA's history is located here.](#)