

Learn about the VSMR!

Where to Take the VSMR Exam

Ventilation System Mold Remediators (VSMR) are professionals in the HVAC inspection, maintenance and restoration industry who are trained with an understanding of basic microbiological contamination, project assessment, and how to apply NADCA and other industry standards.

Candidates for the VSMR must already hold the ASCS distinction, and must receive a passing score on the VSMR exam.

The VSMR exam is available through several different outlets, including but not limited to:

[NADCA testing centers](#)

[NADCA's Annual Meeting & Exposition](#)

[NADCA's Technical Conference](#)

NADCA Testing Centers

The VSMR exam is available at testing centers throughout the world. In order to take the VSMR exam, an individual must already hold the ASCS certification.

To schedule the VSMR exam at a testing center, please [click here to create an account on the NADCA Testing Site](#). Click the "CREATE NEW ACCOUNT" link in the top right-hand corner of the page. The account must be created in the name of the person taking the VSMR exam. When the account has been created, call NADCA Headquarters to schedule the exam: (202) 737-2926.



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Taking the VSMR Exam at a NADCA Event

NADCA offers the VSMR exam at the [Annual Meeting & Expo](#) and may also be offered at the [Technical Conference](#). More detail is included in the registration brochures for each event. The Annual Meeting & Expo registration brochure is typically published in December. The Technical Conference brochure is typically published in May.

How much does the VSMR certification examination cost?

The cost of the examination is as follows:

	Member	Non-Member
VSMR Exam	\$165.00	N/A
VSMR Exam (at standardized testing center)	\$275.00	N/A
VSMR Prep Class	\$250.00	\$450.00

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Prepare for the VSMR Exam

VSMRs have the professional skills and experience to objectively determine whether a system is contaminated with a significant accumulation of particulate or microbial growth, or if HVAC performance is compromised due to contamination buildup.

The VSMR examination tests the knowledge and skills needed to assess and clean contaminated HVAC systems. The exam covers a range of topics, including: indoor air quality, safety, mechanical, field experience, and the ability to correctly apply practical knowledge.

There are several ways to prepare for the examination:

In-Person Training

The VSMR Training & Preparation course includes eight hours of classroom instruction and a binder of study materials. This class is offered at the [NADCA Annual Meeting & Exposition](#). The VSMR exam is often taken the day following completion of the in-person course.

VSMR Webinar

The VSMR Training & Preparation course is also available as an eight-hour Webinar. The Webinar is an ideal option for VSMR candidates who do not wish to travel, but would prefer to be taught by a live instructor. Please check [NADCA's training schedule](#) for dates and times of availability for the VSMR Webinar.

VSMR Study Materials CD

NADCA's VSMR Study Materials binder is available for those who do not wish to take the online or in-person classes, and would instead like to study on their own.

The binder of VSMR study materials can be ordered through the NADCA Store and the cost is: \$145 for NADCA members/\$280 for non-members.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Can anyone be VSMR certified?

Only individuals who are already Air Systems Cleaning Specialist (ASCS) certified are eligible to take the VSMR certification examination.

What are the prerequisites for taking the VSMR certification examination?

Every individual taking the VSMR certification examination must be Air Systems Cleaning Specialist (ASCS) certified. While it is not required, the VSMR Training Course or equivalent mold training is recommended.

Do I have to attend the class in order to take the examination?

No, you do not have to attend the VSMR training course before taking the certification examination, however, the course is recommended for a better understanding of mold remediation practices within HVAC systems.