### **NABCEP PV Associate Credential**

### The Benefits of getting NABCEP **Board Certified**

# **NABCEP Board Certifications Requirements**

Just starting your career in the PV industry? The NABCEP PV Associate Program recognizes individuals who have demonstrated knowledge of the fundamental principles of the application, design, installation, and operation of photovoltaic systems. Passing a NABCEP Associate exam qualifies an individual to design, sell, install, or maintain PV systems in a supervised capacity.

Three Pathways to Earn the NABCEP PV Associate:

- Education Pathway: Successfully complete a course in photovoltaic with a NABCEP Associate Registered **Training Provider**
- Experience Pathway: Document at least six months of full-time work experience
- NABCEP Entry Level Conversion Pathway: Convert your NABCEP Entry Level Achievement Award to the **PV** Associate

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ASSOCIATE

Solar Heating



Photovoltaic



Small Wind

NABCEP Board Certification is the ultimate validation of experience and knowledge in the renewable energy industry. NABCEP Board Certified Professionals gain access to merchandise in our online store, discounts to NABCEP events like our annual Continuing Education Conference, and exclusive benefits through NABCEP's partnerships:

- NABCEP Digital Badges
- SolarReviews.com (\$500 discount)
- 365 Pronto (free employment option)
- SolarInsure (preferred insurance rates)
- Huge discounts at industry trade shows like SPI, Intersolar North America, and others
- · And many others! You can check them out at www.nabcep.org



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## PV Certification Requirements

NABCEP Board Certified Professionals earn over \$11k more per year after getting Board Certified.

**PV Installer** Specialist Certification ΡV **PV** Design Commissioning Specialist & Maintenance Certification Specialist **PV** Associate and the set of the local data in the Certification Credential Education or Experience **PV Technical Sales** Pathways **PV Installation** Professional Professional Certification **PV System** Inspector Certification

Along with increasing your earning potential, NABCEP Board Certifications signal to employers, customers and stakeholders that you're serious about your career. That's why over 26% of NABCEP Board Certified Professionals end up opening their own businesses.

NABCEP Board Certifications are earned by demonstrating your training, experience, and passing a rigorous exam. Board Certifications positively impact your career by giving you:

- Increased marketability
- Validation of knowledge
- Enhanced reputation, credibility, & consumer confidence

Each of NABCEP's Board Certifications have different professional experience and training requirements. To figure out which one fits you best, check out the requirements for NABCEP's Board Certifications in photovoltaics listed here.

#### **Project Credits**

- 2 project credits for systems 999kW and under
- 3 project credits for systems 1MW and over

#### Sales Credits

- 2 Sales Credits for systems under 25kW
- + 3 Sales Credits for systems between 25kW and 1MW
- 4 Sales Credits for projects larger than 1MW

#### **PV Installer Specialist**

- OSHA 10 in Construction Industry
- 24 hours of advanced PV installation training (all from an accredited institution)
- 6 Project Credits with supporting documentation
- Proof of decision-making role (DMR)
- Sign and agree to uphold the NABCEP Code of Ethics
- Board Certification exam (scheduled on-demand)

#### **PV Design Specialist**

- OSHA 10 in Construction Industry
- 24 hours of advanced PV design training (all from an accredited institution)
- 12 Project Credits with supporting documentation
- Proof of decision-making role (DMR)
- Sign and agree to uphold the NABCEP Code of Ethics
- Board Certification exam (scheduled on-demand)

#### **PV Installation Professional**

- OSHA 10 in Construction Industry
- 58 hours of advanced PV training (40 from an accredited institution)
- 6 Project Credits with supporting documentation
- Proof of decision-making role (DMR)
- Sign and agree to uphold the NABCEP Code of Ethics
- Board Certification exam (scheduled on-demand)

#### **PV System Inspector**

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Sign and agree to uphold the NABCEP Code of Ethics
- Board Certification exam (scheduled on-demand)

#### **PV Technical Sales Professional Certification**

#### Category A

- OSHA 10 in Construction Industry
- 58 hours of advanced PV training (40 from an accredited institution)
- 8 Sales Credits with supporting documentation
- Sign and agree to uphold the NABCEP Code of Ethics
- Board Certification exam (scheduled on-demand)

#### Category B

- OSHA 10 in Construction Industry
- 58 hours of advanced PV training (40 from an accredited institution)
- Advanced degree in renewable energy, Electrician's license (Master or Journeyman), or Solar Contractor's License
- 4 Sales Credits with supporting documentation
- Sign and agree to uphold the NABCEP Code of Ethics
- Board Certification exam (scheduled on-demand)

#### **PV Commissioning & Maintenance Specialist**

- OSHA 30 in Construction Industry
- 24 hours of advanced PV commissioning, operations, and/ or maintenance training (all from an accredited institution)
- 12 Project Credits with documentation
- Proof of decision-making role (DMR)
- Sign and agree to uphold the NABCEP Code of Ethics
- Board Certification exam (scheduled on-demand)

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