



Oregon Landscape Contractors Board

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Arborist License Phase

Created for certified arborists, summarized below.

- ISA certification required;
- Must pass laws, rules, and business practice section of the exam;
- Subcontracting is allowed;
- May be added to other phases of licenses (e.g.; irrigation + arborist)

Scope of Work:

- Tree Planting (see definition of trees below)
- Preparing the property for planting of trees
- Grading and drainage (for trees only)
- Tree removal, trimming, pruning, stump grinding, and guying
- Existing LCB planting only phased licensees with an ISA certification could convert to an arborist license
- Arborist phase could be added to other phases of licenses, except the modified license

Definition: for the purpose of the arborist license, a tree is considered a woody plant usually having a dominant trunk, or trunks, and a mature height greater than 15 feet (4.5 meters), and which generally has few or no branches on its lower part, and is crowned with a head of branches and foliage or, as in palms, of foliage only.

Not Allowed:

- Planting of lawns, shrubs vines, or nursery stock (except trees as defined above)
- Ornamental water features
- Irrigation installation
- Backflow installation
- Low voltage lighting
- Hardscapes such as: retaining walls, fences, decks, arbors, walkways, patios, driveways, and landscape edging.

Work listed above can be performed by passing additional exams and obtaining additional phases of licensure.

You only need an LCB license to perform all tree work. A CCB license does not allow you to plant trees. For answers to frequently asked questions regarding tree work, please visit:

<https://www.oregon.gov/lcb/Pages/FAQ-Tree-Work.aspx>

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