

Becoming a CREIA Certified Inspector Member

[Complete the Associate Membership application](#)

CREIA Certified Home Inspectors are Tier One Inspectors: □ Unsurpassed testing; Unmatched training and education requirements; Industry leading performance Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics – That’s why California Law specifically mentions CREIA as an industry benchmark.

Path to become a Certified CREIA Inspector (CCI).



Complete the following steps to become a CCI
Steps 2-6 may be completed in any order, with Report Reviews as your final step.

1. Join CREIA - Complete an Associate Member Application and CREIA Background Check

Your first step is to become an Associate Member of CREIA by completing an application form. Member

Membership Fee: □ First year Associate membership is \$495 due to cost of new member materials

Your membership fee includes \$259 for the National Home Inspection Exam for the CREIA SOP/Ethics Exam and

[Complete the Associate Membership application](#)

[Click here](#) for information on the Background Check Program

2.

Pass the

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The EBPHI is the Examination Board of Professional Home Inspectors and Administrators with the NHIE (National Board of Professional Home Inspectors and Administrators)

The examination fee is \$225.00 per exam. Please know that the NHIE examination is rigorous. Be prepared.

There are 5 NHIE practice tests available on the platform PSI Online, [Click here](#) for information about the practice tests.

Participate in the CREIA NHIE Online Study Group, free to our Associate Members!

You earn 4 CECs for passing the NHIE. Send verification to [creia@creia.org](#)

3.

Pass the CREIA SOP & Eth

The CREIA SOP Exam is a monitored exam that can be completed by:

- *Emailing memberservices@creia.org to set up a time with the CREIA Office to take
- Scheduling the exam during a monthly chapter meeting (Please alert the CREIA Office 15 business days in advance)
- Taking the exam at the CREIA Annual Conference

The SOP Exam must be monitored by CREIA staff or a Chapter Leader. The office will work with the member to schedule the exam.

You earn 5 CECs for passing the CREIA SOP/Ethics Examination.

4.

Earn at least sixty (60) CREIA and CREIA-approved

20 of 60 units must be attained by CREIA-sponsored [CREIA Events Meetings](#) ,
[CREIA Chapter Toolboxes](#)
[CREIA Annual Conference](#)

Where an Associate or member receives multiple credits as an attending a recognized school or [Click here to read attending a recognized school or](#)
[Continuing Education Credits.](#)

[Click here](#) for CREIA-approved educational sources to fulfill your home inspector training.

CREIA Members receive [a \\$50 discount for Associates](#) LIVE training program. Be sure to let Kelly/M

***Education registration fees are not included with annual membership dues.**

5.

Complete two (2) Ride-Alongs with a CREIA Certified Inspector

Ride Alongs are to be scheduled with CREIA Certified Inspectors. [Click here to read Ride Along information](#) and [CREIA Chapter memberservices@creia.org](#)

CREIA will award one (1) CEC per ride to both the Mentor and Participating Member –not to exceed 3 CEC

6.

Participate in one CREIA SOP Group inspection

A CREIA or CREIA Chapter Standards of Practice (SOP) Group Inspection or a Chapter "Toolbox" Meeting

Group Inspections are held at the [Annual Conference](#) . Group Inspections are [Click here](#) for more information with Michael

[Click here](#) to view upcoming Chapter Toolbox Meetings. Please be sure to send verification to creia@creia.org

7. Report Reviews

This should be your **final** step. The purpose is to assess

It is recommended that [CREIA's Online Report Writing](#) education prior to submitting your report.

The Associate shall submit ten (10) inspection reports to CREIA which should be raised foundation dwellings.

NOTE:

Inspections performed in conjunction with a CREIA Certified Trainer/MCI do not count towards the ten (10) reports.

Q: What will happen when you submit your ten (10) reports?

A: The ten reports will be forwarded to a member of the report review panel. Of the ten (10) reports submitted, three (3) must be passed.

Q: What happens if my reports do not meet compliance?

A: Should either review not meet compliance, the reviewer will stop the review and report the areas needing improvement.

Note: Associates take an average of three (3) years to complete the requirements for the CCI designation.

Ready to join?
[Complete the Associate Membership application](#)

Please [click here](#) for additional information and FAQs.



Become a Certified CREIA Inspector (CCI), via the Experienced Inspector Path:

1. Join CREIA - Complete the Application & [Background Check](#) application.
2. Submit proof of having [passed the NCI Exam](#) to memberservices@creia.org
3. Pass CREIA's Residential Standards of Practice & Ethics (3) and 60
4. Submit valid proof of [having performed at least 250](mailto:memberservices@creia.org) fee paid home inspections
5. Submit a list of the last [50 fee paid inspection reports](mailto:memberservices@creia.org) to which CREIA will

At least one report should include a raised foundation dwelling.

Renewal Requirements: Payment of Membership Dues, 30 Continuing Education Credits (Hours/CECs), and attendance at 2 CREIA Chapter Meetings per year.

If you have further questions, please contact the CREIA office at memberservices@creia.org .

ASHI Membership Reciprocity*



An ASHI Certified Inspector shall be granted CREIA Certified Inspector (CCI) status upon satisfying the following requirements:

- (1) Provide proof of ASHI Certified Inspector status.
- (2) Submit a list of at least 50 fee paid inspection reports from which CREIA will randomly select 2 reports to be reviewed for compliance with CREIA's Standards of Practice.

*Other requirements may be mandated by ASHI. Please contact ASHI regarding reciprocity as a CREIA CCI/MCI.

CREIA has a very active public relations and marketing department to promote CREIA Certified members and the profession to the media and with the California REALTOR and home buying community. We have not seen other organizations doing as much in this regard on behalf of home inspectors in the state or the country for that matter. CREIA also retains a lobbyist monitoring legislation effecting California home inspectors.