



PRESCRIPTION PRUNING QUALIFICATION (PPQ)

September
9 - 11, 2025

Pompano Beach, FL
Pat E. Larkins
Community Center
520 Dr. M.L.K Jr. Blvd.
Pompano Beach, FL
33060



CEUs:

Producer: ISA - 7,
BCMA - 7 (P), FNGLA - 8, LIAF - 4

Prescriber: ISA - 15.5,
BCMA - 15.5 (P), FNGLA - 16, LIAF - 8

Are you a

a member
of a production
crew or
someone
seeking an
organized
approach to
pruning?

Then you are a

PRODUCER

or an

ISA
Certified
Arborist who is
interested in
earning the
PPQ
qualification?

Then you are a

PRESCRIBER



Vision Statement: Develop a new industry paradigm whereby no tree - or group of trees - is pruned without a prescription.

Goal: Improve communication between prescriber, production arborist, and tree owner. Increase clarity when preparing work orders.

PRESCRIBER REGISTRATION FEES

REGISTRATION	PRESCRIBER - DAY 1, 2, AND 3	
IMPORTANT DATES	ISA MEMBERS	NON-MEMBERS
BEFORE SEPT. 2, 2025	\$525	\$600
AFTER SEPT. 2, 2025	\$545	\$620
AT-THE-DOOR	\$700	\$700

*Late fees automatically calculated during online registration.
 Cancellation refunds honored if requested 7 days prior to the event;
 otherwise, a credit will be kept on file for a future PPQ event.
 Attendee substitutions will be honored for Day 1 ONLY.

You have to be a CA to sit for this qualification. Your CA information will be vetted.

Once you register, all important information regarding and exam and next steps will be sent to your email address. Please make sure to read through all the instructions.

Prescriber CEUs: ISA - 15.5, BCMA - 15.5 (P), FNGLA - 16, LIAF - 8

Prescribers Bring the Whole Crew!

If you are a Prescriber and an ISA Member, bring your Producers (crew) to Day-1 at the \$145 member price!

“On Day 2 of our first PPQ event, 89 Prescribers were asked, “How many of you regret not bringing your crew to Day 1?” Everyone raised their hands.”

-Lori Ballard, Florida Chapter ISA, Executive Director

REGISTER NOW

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

About the Instructors

Rob Calley – President, Backridge Tree Service, serves as the small production company representative on the PPQ Committee. Rob is an ISA Board Certified Master Arborist (BCMA) and Certified Arborist (CA), He is also a Certified Tree Care Safety Professional (CTSP) and has the ISA Tree Risk Assessment (TRAQ) and Florida Chapter ISA PPQ.He was president of the Florida Chapter ISA in 2020 and currently serves as the Chair of the Florida Chapter Marketing Committee. He is the recipient of “ISA True Professional of Arboriculture Award” in 2019.

Jonathan S. Frank - Jonathan discovered his passion for plants while in high school after taking a job at the local area garden center. He started in landscape design/build but ultimately chose to focus on trees and arboriculture. As an ISA Board Certified Master Arborist and ASCA Registered Consulting Arborist, Jonathan has spent most of his career in South Florida. Jonathan holds the following credentials: ISA Certified Tree Worker/Climber Specialist, ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualification, and Prescription Pruning Qualification. Jonathan is a Past President of the Florida Chapter ISA. He is also a recipient of the 2017 Florida ISA Chapter’s Loren Westenberger award, for high professional principles of arboriculture to better the environment for future generations.

Dr. Michael Orfanedes, UF/IFAS Extension Broward County - serves as Commercial Horticulture Agent IV for UF/IFAS Broward County Extension in Davie, FL. Mike is an ISA Certified Arborist. In 2011, Mike was named FNGLA Outstanding Educator. In June of 2019 he received the Florida Chapter ISA’s Award for Excellence in Education. Mike is the recipient of the 2021 Bob Brennan Research, Outreach, Organization and Teaching (R.O.O.T.) Award from the Miami-Dade Chapter LIAF. Mike is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with a B.S. degree in Agronomy and an M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Weed Science. Mike holds the Tree Risk Assessment Qualification (TRAQ) and the Florida Prescription Pruning Qualification (PPQ).

PRESCRIBERS ATTEND DAY 1, 2, AND 3:

Day-1 Agenda

7:00 am - 7:45 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:45 am

Everyone seated

8:00 am - 9:20 am

Introduction to the Prescription
Pruning Qualification - Calley

9:20 am - 10:40 am

Part 1 Tree Architecture - Frank

10:40 am - 10:55 am

Break with refreshments

10:55 am - 12:00 pm

Part 2 Tree Architecture - Calley

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Lunch (provided)

1:00 pm - 1:45 pm

Outdoor Exercises - Calley, Frank
and, Orfanedes

1:45 pm - 3:05 pm

Pruning Cuts - Frank

3:05 pm - 3:20 pm

Break with refreshments

3:20 pm - 5:00 pm

Guiding Urban Compatible Tree
Architecture
Orfanedes

Day-2 Agenda

7:00 am - 7:45 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:45 am

Everyone seated

8:00 am - 9:40 am

Part 1 Prescription Approach to
Pruning - Frank

9:40 am - 9:55 am

Break with refreshments

9:55 am - 10:25 am

Part 2 Prescription Approach to
Pruning - Calley

10:25 am - 11:10 am

Part 1 Preparing Prescriptions
Calley

11:10 am - 12:10 pm

Part 2 Preparing Prescriptions
Frank

12:10 pm - 1:00 pm

Lunch (provided)

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Outside Exercises - Calley, Frank
and, Orfanedes

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Managing Architecture on Mature
Trees - Calley and Frank

Day-3 Agenda

7:00 am - 7:45 am

Registration and Breakfast

7:45 am

Everyone seated

8:00 am - 8:45 am

Review Session and Discussion
Calley and Frank

8:45 am - 9:30 am

Outside Walk and Talk -
Prescription Preparation Exercise

Calley, Frank, and Orfanedes

9:30 am - 9:45 am

Break with refreshments

9:45 am - 10:15 am

Exam Check-In (ID required)

10:15 am - 10:30 am

Instructions and Paperwork

10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Exam



Receiving the
qualification
automatically
makes you
eligible to attend
an exclusive
one-day limited-
attendance
outdoor pruning
workshop and
complimentary
special features
to include on
your
prescriptions.