



PREScription PRUNING QUALIFICATION (PPQ)

December
3 - 5, 2025

UF/GCREC
14625 Co Rd. 672
Wimauma, FL
33598



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
ON OR BEFORE NOV. 25, 2025	\$525	\$600
ON OR AFTER NOV. 26, 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.



REGISTER NOW

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!

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)

"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

About the Instructors

DR. RYAN KLEIN, University of Florida IFAS, Ryan is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Environmental Horticulture at the *University of Florida*. His research focuses on the risk associated with urban trees and their survival following hurricanes and other intense storms. Ryan's interests center around exploring the impacts that urban forests have on the health and safety of urban populations. He views the relationship between people and their natural surroundings as being especially significant since most of the world's population live in urban areas and urban sprawl continues to consume our remaining natural spaces. Ryan is currently the Education Representative on the *Florida Chapter ISA* Board of Directors and is a member of the Education Committee.

CARSON SMITH, O'Neil's Tree Service, is a partner and Operations Officer at *O'Neil's Tree Service* in Palm Harbor, Florida. As Operations Officer, his duties include training, advancing safety, and managing crews to provide the highest standard of tree care. Carson is an ISA Certified Arborist, ISA Certified Tree Worker Climber Specialist, *Florida Chapter ISA* Prescription Pruning Qualification (PPQ), and a NCCER Certified crane operator. Carson currently serves as the President for the *Florida Chapter ISA* Board of Directors.

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 - Smith
9:20 am - 10:40 am
Part 1 Tree Architecture - Klein
10:40 am - 10:55 am
Break with refreshments
10:55 am - 12:00 pm
Part 2 Tree Architecture - Klein
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Lunch (provided)
1:00 pm - 1:45 pm
Outdoor Exercises - Smith
1:45 pm - 3:05 pm
Pruning Cuts - Klein
3:05 pm - 3:20 pm
Break with refreshments
3:20 pm - 5:00 pm
Guiding Urban Compatible Tree
Architecture
Smith

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 - Smith
9:40 am - 9:55 am
Break with refreshments
9:55 am - 10:25 am
Part 2 Prescription Approach to
Pruning -Klein
10:25 am - 11:10 am
Part 1 Preparing Prescriptions -
Klein
11:10 am - 12:10 pm
Part 2 Preparing Prescriptions -
Smith
12:10 pm - 1:00 pm
Lunch (provided)
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Outside Exercises - Klein and Smith
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Managing Architecture on Mature
Trees - Klein

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
Klein and Smith
8:45 am - 9:30 am
Outside Walk and Talk
Klein and Smith
Prescription Preparation Exercise
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.