



## Colorado Certified Nursery Professional Certification Program

CNGA's Colorado Certified Nursery Professional program was designed to promote high quality standards and professionalism for the Colorado nursery industry. Managing or working in a nursery requires an in-depth knowledge of plant physiology, Entomology, weed control, turf management, pruning, plant identification, landscape design, and disease control.

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The Colorado Certified Nursery Professional seminars are offered twice a year, once in July and once in November. The seminars provide a comprehensive review of information covered on the exam and is a great way to prepare for the exam. The three sections of the exam are:

- A 100-question true/false and multiple-choice questions which covers basic knowledge gained through practical experience;
- Identification of live or pressed plant specimens; and
- Design problem which includes drawing a landscape plan.

### CCNP Manual:

In addition to the face-to-face seminars, CNGA offers a CCNP manual. The manual is a great study tool when preparing to take the CCNP exam. In addition, it's a great reference guide to utilize when working in a nursery. The manual covers the following topics:

Plant physiology	Marketing
Entomology	Pruning
Weed control	Plant Identification
Salesmanship	Landscape Design
Disease control	

### Recertification:

Recertification is required every three years. A completed recertification form including continuing education efforts during the previous three years AND at least 2000 hours of work during the previous three years with a Colorado registered nursery, garden center, landscape contractor, or an allied industry is required.

In addition, there is a \$50 fee (CNGA members) for recertification.