



The **Kansas Certified Nurseryman Program** is developed and administered by the Kansas Nursery and Landscape Association, designed to identify individuals who are knowledgeable and experienced about our industry to be considered as professionals.

### **TESTING:**

The Kansas Certified Nurseryman exam is given each summer during the KNLA Summer Meeting and in January in conjunction with The Western Trade Show, time and location announced in the KNLA newsletter. If you are not receiving the KNLA newsletter, you may contact the KNLA by emailing [kansasnla@gmail.com](mailto:kansasnla@gmail.com).

### **CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

- Show evidence of a minimum of one year's full-time employment or two year's part-time employment in the nursery industry. Your major income must be derived from the growing and/or marketing and servicing of nursery stock and allied materials, which are connected with and essential to garden living.
- Pay for the Kansas Certified Training Manual and the required testing fee (see order form below)
- Receive a passing grade in each of the three sections (below) of the exam administered by the Certification Committee
  - a.) *Written section: covers the Certified Nurseryman's Training Manual and basic knowledge gained through practical experience in the industry*
  - b.) *Landscape section: tests the general knowledge of landscape problems (1/8 scale is needed)*
  - c.) *Plant specimen identification: one hundred plant specimens to be identified will be presented as live specimens or slides*

### **BENEFITS:**

- Landscape contractors can be assured the Kansas Certified Nurseryman on their staff is capable of handling both job-related problems and follow-up advice to their customers. Turf management, weeds and weed control and the identification of diseases and insects are an integral part of the training process.
- Garden centers gain a customer service advantage knowing the Kansas Certified Nurseryman has been trained in areas such as sales, display techniques and maintaining nursery stock in the nursery yard. Retailers can feel comfortable offering advice to their customers about plant use and care when a professional is "in the shop".
- For the individual, being a Kansas Certified Nurseryman tells the prospective employer about your knowledge of the industry and your commitment to this industry through a program and continuing education. It tells your clients you are a professional and that you maintain a "leading edge" in knowledge of the industry.

*Promoting professionalism in the Kansas Nursery, Landscape, and Garden Center Industry through knowledge, sharing and education*

# KANSAS CERTIFIED NUSERYMAN PROGRAM

## CERTIFICATION EXAM & TRAINING MANUAL ORDER FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXAM FEES:** All registrations include a PDF copy of the Training Manual for the Test. Hard copies of the manual can be ordered for \$25 per copy in the section below

**Member Price**             \$50.00 per Member            X    Qty: \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**New Member Price\***             \$100.00 per New Member            X    Qty: \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Test Section Re-Take**             \$20.00 per Section            X    Qty: \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL**            = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Applicants

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*\* New Member Registration is designated for Non-Members of the KNLA. Please select the 'New Member Registration' box. Registration for the test will include annual dues for an Individual Membership as well as the test and PDF training manual.*

**PAYMENT OPTIONS:**             Check Enclosed             Credit Card (complete below form)

NAME (as it appears on card): \_\_\_\_\_ Card Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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