

Building Performance Institute (BPI)

Building Analyst (BA)

F.A.Q.



Q: Who can become a BPI Building Analyst?

A: BPI has not established any pre-requisites for becoming a Building Analyst. While anyone is capable of learning the skills and obtaining information required to successfully pass the written and field exams, having experience (especially as a licensed contractor) in home repair, construction, or even HVAC will provide the candidate with a better chance for success in completing BPI Building Analyst certification.

Q: What is needed to become a certified Building Analyst?

A: The following is the minimum requirements to become a certified Building Analyst:

- Take a 100-question exam and pass with an overall score of 70% or higher.
- Take the field exam and complete the Combustion Appliance Zone (CAZ) and Carbon Monoxide (CO) sections of the field exam with a grade of 85% or higher.
- If you are already a Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Rater, then you would take a 50-question exam and must submit proof of your HERS certificate to BPI.

Q: Does someone need to sign up for a training course to become a certified Building Analyst?

A: While not a requirement for certification, it is highly advisable to attend a Building Analyst training course prior to attempting the written and field exams. *Be sure when researching a training course to ask if the instructors are BPI Building Analyst certified trainers and if the course includes proctoring of both the written and field exams.*

Q: Once certified, how long does that certification last?

A: The Building Analyst certification must be renewed once every three years.

- Option#1: 30 Continuing Education Units (CEU) + Field Exam
- Option#2: 10 - 29 CEU + 50 question written Exam + Field Exam
- Option#3: Less than 10 CEU + 100 question Written Exam + Field Exam