



## FOUR STEPS TO BECOMING A CERTIFIED RESTORER®

### Step 1: Meet the Pre-Qualifying Requirements

#### Education & Work Experience

- High school diploma or equivalent education; OR active RIA CMP or WLS Certification
- Five (5) years of verifiable work experience or three (3) of verifiable supervisory experience (Experience can include: restoration worker, project supervisor, estimator, consultant, inspector, restoration company manager, facility manager, restoration instructor)

### Step 2: Complete the Certified Restorer Prerequisite Courses

To be eligible to take the CR Prep Course and sit for the exam, you must complete one course in each of the following domains. A certificate of completion will be required as verification that each domain requirement has been satisfied.

- 1. Domain #1: Basic Skills in Fire, Smoke & Water Damage Restoration**
  - a. RIA Certified Restoration Technician Course (CRT)
  - b. IICRC Fire & Smoke (FST) AND IICRC Water Restoration Technician Course (WRT)
- 2. Domain #2: Structural Restoration**
  - a. RIA One-Day Building Science
  - b. RIA's Water Loss Specialist (WLS)
  - c. RIA Building Science Workshop
  - d. Building Science Corporation 2-day seminar
- 3. Domain #3: Contents Restoration**
  - a. RIA Contents Restoration: Science & Theory Course
- 4. Domain #4: Health & Safety Training**
  - a. OSHA 10-hr Haz-Com Course
  - b. IICRC Health & Safety Technician (HST) course
  - c. Other OSHA/Red Cross training equivalent (Confined Space, Lock-Out/Tag-Out, etc.: minimum of 10 hours training required)
- 5. Domain #5: Project Management**
  - a. RIA 2-day Project Management Course
  - b. IICRC Commercial Drying Specialist (CDS) Course
  - c. RIA Project Management Workshops
  - d. RIA-approved Project Management course or industry equivalent

### Step 3: Take the CR Prep Course and Exam

Complete the CR Application and Prep Course/Exam Registration [here](#). Be prepared to upload the following documents with your application:

1. Resume
2. Letter of Recommendation (from immediate Supervisor)
3. Certificate of completion for each domain of prerequisite courses

### Step 4: Complete the CR Formal Report

Bring a draft of your Formal Report to the CR Prep Course and receive immediate guidance and advice. (Your WLS Report is acceptable to use here.) Finalize your Formal Report within 60 days of completing the course.