



# BEARING SPECIALISTS ASSOCIATION

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## Certified Bearing Specialist Application



### Return completed application with payment to:

Bearing Specialists Association 800 Roosevelt Road, Building C, Suite 312 Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

**Applicant Information:** *Please complete all information.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer \_\_\_\_\_  
Supervisor/Manager \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of years with employer \_\_\_\_\_

### Educational Background

Check highest level attained

Grade School # Years \_\_\_\_\_  
**High School**  
# Years \_\_\_\_\_ Diploma \_\_\_\_\_  
**Technical Institute**  
# Years \_\_\_\_\_ Diploma \_\_\_\_\_  
**College**  
# Years \_\_\_\_\_ Diploma \_\_\_\_\_

### CBS Eligibility Requirements

BSA's certification program is designed to elevate professional standards, enhance individual performance, and recognize those individuals who demonstrate the knowledge and critical skills necessary to provide effective service and solutions in the bearing industry.

To be eligible for the BSA certification program an applicant must:

- Be currently employed full time and have been for at least the past 2 years either in the bearing distribution or in the bearing manufacturing industries or have worked a minimum of two years in a position involving the identification and selection of appropriate bearings for use by the military service.
- Successfully complete the BSA In-House Training Guide self-study course
- Agree to the policies for use of the CBS Designation and Logo, and any other relevant policies (see next page of this form)
- Complete this application and pay the appropriate filing fee (indicate fee below):

\_\_\_ \$500 (employees of BSA members and participating manufacturers and military applicants)  
\_\_\_ \$900 (employees of non-BSA member distributors or non-participating manufacturers who are members of ABMA)

This certifies that I meet the above requirements and agree to the policies for use of the CBS designation stated on the next page.

I am a  Distributor  Manufacturer  Military Applicant

### Test Date and Location

Testing for Bearing Specialist Certification is conducted in the U.S. & Canada by the National College of Testing Association (NCTA) at their testing centers. Review the locations at [www.ncta-testing.org](http://www.ncta-testing.org) and indicate the site below; also list two possible dates (we will contact the test center to confirm). Be advised that you will be responsible for the test center fee.

Test Center \_\_\_\_\_  
Date 1st option \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd option \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Information

Full payment by check, in U.S. funds, or credit card is required at the time of this application. Please make checks payable to Bearing Specialists Association.

Note: Study Guides are included in first-time certification test fee. There is a separate charge for the *In-House Training Guide*

*Please charge fee to my*

Visa  MasterCard  American Express

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name on Card

\_\_\_\_\_  
Card Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Exp Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature required for credit card

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **Certified Bearing Specialist (CBS) directions for use of CBS designation and logo**

A CBS may use the CBS designation and CBS logo only in accordance with the following directions adopted by the Bearing Specialists Association:

1. The CBS designation may be used only in immediate proximity to the holders name on business cards, stationary, office advertising, business and professional listings, and telephone listings.
2. The right to use the CBS designation and logo are granted to single individuals only, not to the firm for whom they may work or organizations to which they may belong.
3. The designation or logo shall not be used as part of, or in association with, a firm name, trademark, or logo, except by the Bearing Specialists Association.
4. Neither designation nor logo shall be used in any manner which would reasonably lead other to conclude that someone other than the named CBS held the designation. Uses of the designation or logo which directly or indirectly extend a CBS's personal designation to others are prohibited.
5. A CBS shall not use the CBS designation in such a way as to imply that it represents knowledge, skills, and professional capabilities greater than those encompassed by the successful completion of the CBS certification program.
6. A CBS shall not write, speak or act in such a way as to lead another reasonably to believe the CBS is officially representing the Bearing Specialists Association, unless the CBS has been authorized to do so by the Bearing Specialists Association.
7. The designation and logo may be used in any other manner which has received prior approval in writing from the Bearing Specialists Association.
8. If in the sole judgment of BSA, a CBS violates all or any part of these directions, or otherwise misuses the CBS designation or logo, or knowingly permits another to do so, BSA will have the right to immediately cancel the CBS's right to use the CBS designation and logo; and upon such cancellation the CBS agrees to immediately cease any such use.
9. Each CBS must renew their certification at five year intervals. If a CBS does not re-certify, he/she is no longer considered a Certified Bearing Specialist and may no longer use the CBS designation or logo. All certifications expire at the end of a calendar year, regardless of whether earned in the beginning of the year or during the year.
10. The Bearing Specialists Association in its sole discretion reserves the right to amend these directions or add new ones, and, if it does so, it will so advise all CBS's.

### **How to prepare for and take the test**

- Complete the IHTG (In-House Training Guide)
- Complete the study guide enclosed with your application confirmation
- Verify that you are registered for the date and location you selected
- Arrive at your test site early
- Bring 3 references of your choice (such as catalogs or engineering manuals) and a hand-held calculator.  
Note: You may not bring the study guide into the exam.
- You are allotted 180 minutes (3 hours) to complete the test.



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**For more information, please call the BSA office at 630/858-3838; Fax 630/790-3095;**

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