



Certification vs. Training

What is the difference?

Training is a hands-on approach to learning the basics of the exhaust cleaning industry. It gives students a real-world experience and should put them on actual jobs to see how various systems are cleaned and inspected. By the end of the training program, students should have a working knowledge of how to clean and inspect a variety of systems using a variety of methods.

Certification is a knowledge-based recognition of an individual who shows competency in the guidelines, codes, and standards in the industry. By studying the materials and passing the test, a student shows that they have a working knowledge of the required codes and standards that apply to the entire industry.

Neither training nor certification guarantees that any company or individual will do a good job. Some organizations offer “certification for life” and others let candidates take open book exams. IKECA’s programs are different. We believe that individuals should continue their education well beyond the exam and that those that we certify, uphold the most rigid Code of Conduct in the industry.

IKECA does not endorse any cleaning method or training provider.