



CSIA MASTER CHIMNEY SWEEP® Requirements

Requirements for Application

1. Applicant must be an active CSIA Certified Chimney Sweep® and must have held the CCS credential for a minimum of nine continuous years or a minimum total of 18 years (non-continuous).
2. Applicant must have completed at least six (6) of the following CSIA courses and or requirements:
 - a. Applicant must be actively certified as a CSIA Certified Dryer Exhaust Technician®
 - b. Chimney Physics (either online or 2-day in-person)
 - c. Inspection and Report Writing (2-day in-person) or Diagnosis and Documentation
 - d. CSIA Masonry Repair for Chimney Professionals (in-person)
 - e. CSIA Lining Masonry Chimneys with Stainless Steel (online)
 - f. CSIA Rope / Roof Access (in-person)
 - g. CSIA Advanced Masonry repair (in-person)
 - h. NFI Core Review + NFI Specialty Review
 - i. Advanced Inspection & Documentation
 - j. Master Chimney Sweep Comprehensive Burn Wise Course (online)
 - k. 12 hours of CSIA online training (not to include reviews, lining masonry chimneys, or chimney physics online)
3. Applicant must have an active NFI Certification obtained through the CSIA Installing & Troubleshooting Wood Heating Appliances class or CSIA Installing and Troubleshooting Gas Hearth Appliances class. This requirement may be substituted by an active NFI Certification held for a minimum of six (6) years, a current F.I.R.E Certified Inspector credential or an Associate level (or higher) degree in Fire Science from an accredited college.
4. A one-time application fee of \$275 paid to the Chimney Safety Institute of America. \$175 of this fee will be refunded if the application is rejected.

Application Process

1. The Master committee will be commissioned by the current CSIA Board President and be composed of four persons, including the CSIA Certification Coordinator and at least one active board member. In the event an impasse occurs the CSIA President will cast the deciding vote.
2. Applications should be mailed, along with the application fee of \$275. Check should be made out to Chimney Safety Institute of America and be mailed to the CSIA Technology Center at 2155 Commercial Drive, Plainfield, IN 46168, ATTN: CSIA Certification Coordinator; or, payment can be made by Visa, Mastercard, or American Express and application and all supporting documents can be emailed to certification@csia.org.
3. The CSIA Certification Coordinator will be responsible for vetting all requirements before submitting qualified applicants to the Master committee for a final decision within 30 days of receiving application.
4. The Master committee will render a decision regarding CSIA Master Chimney Sweep® designation within 30 days of receiving the application from the CSIA Certification Coordinator.
5. The CSIA Certification Coordinator will notify applicants by mail of the final decision regarding the Master Chimney Sweep® designation within 60 days of receipt of application.

Additional Considerations & Retention of Designation

1. Credential can be revoked at any time at the discretion of the Master Committee.
2. A failure to retain any of the certifications required for the Master Chimney Sweep® designation will result in disqualification and notification will be made.



CSIA Master Chimney Sweep Application

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Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

1. CSIA Certified Chimney Sweep Number _____ Initial certification date _____ (mm/yyyy)

2. CSIA Education/Requirements Completed

- a. CSIA Certified Dryer Exhaust Technician Number _____ Initial certification date _____ (mm/yyyy)
- b. Chimney Physics (online or in-person) Date: _____ Instructor: _____
- c. Inspection and Report Writing or Diagnosis and Documentation Date: _____ Instructor: _____
- d. CSIA Masonry Repair for Chimney Professionals Date: _____ Instructor: _____
- e. CSIA Lining Masonry Chimneys with Stainless Steel Date: _____ Instructor: _____
- f. CSIA Rope / Roof Access Date Completed _____
- g. CSIA Advanced Masonry Repair Date Completed _____
- h. NFI Core Review + NFI Specialty Review Date Completed _____ Date Completed _____
- i. Advanced Inspection & Documentation
- j. Master Chimney Sweep Advanced EPA BurnWise Course Date Completed _____
- k. 12 hours of CSIA online training (not to include review, lining masonry chimney, or chimney physics online)

3. NFI Certification awarded through which of the following CSIA courses:

- a. CSIA Installing and Troubleshooting Wood Heating Appliances Date: _____ Instructor: _____
- b. CSIA Installing and Troubleshooting Gas Hearth Appliances Date: _____ Instructor: _____

NFI Certification Number _____ Initial certification date _____ (mm/yyyy)

One of the following may substitute for item #4:

- a. Current F.I.R.E Certified Inspector Number _____
Initial certification date _____ (mm/yyyy) Expiration date: _____ (mm/yyyy)
- b. Associate level (or higher) degree in Fire Science from an accredited college – must provide transcripts or copy of diploma with application.

5. Application Fee of \$275** made payable to Chimney Safety Institute of America.

***If your application is denied, \$175 of this fee will be refunded.*

Mail completed application, required documentation, and application fee to:

Chimney Safety Institute of America
C/O Certification Coordinator
2155 Commercial Drive | Plainfield, IN 46168

Please circle payment type: Check Visa MasterCard AmEx

Check # _____ Card Number _____ / _____ / _____ / _____

Card Security Code (3 or 4 digit) _____ Exp. Date: _____ / _____

Cardholder Signature _____