



# WSO Instructor Certification Categories

WSO-CSI, WSO-CSI(SL), and WSO-CSI(ML)

## **WSO–Certified Safety Instructor Basic Level [WSO-CSI]**

*This basic certification deals with the elementary aspects of instruction. This includes: basic public speaking, use and control of audiovisual aids, handling distractions and difficult students. Requires two (2) years verifiable instructor experience.*

## **WSO–Certified Safety Instructor Senior Level [WSO-CSI(SL)]**

*This program identifies and requires demonstrated proficiency in four types of presentations: formal briefing, informal briefing; verbal report, and classroom instruction. Additionally, development and preparation of audio-visual aids and "class action synergy" will be stressed. Requires four (4) years verifiable instructor experience.*

## **WSO–Certified Safety Instructor Master Level [WSO-CSI(ML)]**

*This highest level of certification requires demonstrated proficiency in program development, presentation, media choice, points for documentation and paper publishing, and continuity. Requires six (6) years verifiable instructor experience.*

### **Application Requirements**

Candidate must be a current Affiliate Member of the WSO, be of good moral character, meet application requirements, satisfy the educational and experience criteria, pay the required fee and pass the required evaluation. All applications for certification shall be on forms prescribed and furnished by the Board. Processing shall conform with procedures prescribed by the Board.

Candidate seeking certification as a Certified Safety Instructor (any level) must have at least five years of verifiable experience in the field of Occupational Safety and Health, Environmental Safety and Health, or specialized allied area, i.e.: Nuclear Safety, Emergency Response, Aviation Safety, Vehicular/Fleet Safety, Ergonomics, Industrial Hygiene, Emergency Management, Maritime Safety, Hazardous Materials Management, Industrial Safety, Chemical Safety, Process Safety Management, Systems Safety, Product Safety, Construction Safety, etc.

Candidate must hold one of the WSO Professional Certifications (WSO-CSE, WSO-CSM, WSO-CSS, or WSO-CSSD), current certification from other certifying groups deemed acceptable to the WSO Certification Board, or 10 years verifiable instructor experience. If Candidate does not hold such a certification or meet the 10-year instructor experience requirement, he/she must obtain a certification prior to application for the WSO-CSI, WSO-CSI(SL), or WSO-CSI(ML).

All levels require classroom instruction and demonstrated proficiency in an approved Project Presentation (for first two levels, this may be a video presentation that is sent in for evaluation). Presentation must be in English language.

The Master Level requires a graded program proposal, acceptance and development, coupled with a performance presentation at an annual WSO Conference.

All three levels require an overall score of 80% from the Review Board for the successful assessment of the presentation by the Review Board.

### ***An application package must contain the following:***

- 1) Professional recommendations by at least 2 supervisory personnel and 2 persons who have received training from the certification applicant.
- 2) Skills demonstration as verified by personal presentation and a video presentation judged appropriately by a Verification Committee consisting of at least three WSO members holding academic degrees, a professional certification and recognized by the Certification Board as having personal skills and demonstrated proficiency in the area of student training and program development. Personal and video presentation must be in English language.
- 3) Development and presentation of an accepted paper/program at an annual WSO conference or program with recommendations from the Verification Committee.
- 4) Applicant must be an Affiliate member of the WSO and hold an appropriate professional certification.



## About WSO

The WSO was founded in Manila, the Republic of the Philippines, in 1975 as a result of a gathering of over 1,000 representatives of Safety Professionals from all continents at the first World Safety and Accident Prevention Congress.

Headquartered in USA since 1985, the World Safety Organization (WSO) is a global community of people dedicated to "Making Safety a Way of Life ... Worldwide" since 1975. In Consultative Status with the United Nations and having National Offices and Chapters in over 20 countries, WSO has the reputation and reach to bring together diverse safety professionals and practitioners who are transforming the world's corporations, organizations, and communities to meet tomorrow's critical challenges.

The WSO's purpose is to internationalize all safety fields, disseminating throughout the world the practices, skills, arts, and technologies of the safety and accident prevention fields. With worldwide membership in the thousands, the WSO is undergoing a strong growth period. Through individual referrals and recommendations from WSO members, there is continuous growth in membership and the pool of professionals seeking the WSO certifications.

WSO's International/National Offices and Membership Chapters provide convenient venues for safety professionals and practitioners to avail of the benefits of WSO Membership and Certification.

In 2017 WSO's Certification Program was accredited in compliance with ISO/IEC 17024:2012, an international standard which sets out criteria for an organization's certification program for individual persons, by the International Certification Accreditation Council (ICAC). Learn more about WSO at [www.worldsafety.org](http://www.worldsafety.org).

## About ICAC

The International Certification Accreditation Council (ICAC) is an alliance of organizations dedicated to assuring competency, professional management, and service to the public by encouraging and setting standards for licensing, certification, and credentialing programs. The ICAC itself operates under the international guidelines established as a quality assurance regimen for accreditation bodies (*ISO/IEC 17011 – Conformity Assessment: General Requirements for Accreditation Bodies Accrediting Conformity Assessment Bodies*). Learn more about ICAC at [www.icacnet.org](http://www.icacnet.org).



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