

Message to Craft Professionals – **CERTIFICATION**



As an NCCER-credentialed craft professional, you prove your skills every day in the field. Because certification is a quality benchmark in the industry and the representative of the highest-level credential we have, becoming Certified can help you maximize your career opportunities and earning potential. Earning your certification demonstrates journey-level minimum competency.

Certification requires both knowledge and performance verification, and we are renaming the credential to “Certified” and removing the “Plus.” The **only** change is that the “Certified Plus” credential is being renamed “Certified.”

Knowledge Verified + Performance Verified = Certified

Beginning January 13, 2020, NCCER will use the term “Certified” on NCCER documentation to refer to candidates who successfully pass the written assessment and have been performance verified.

The written test and performance verification required to obtain this credential **have not changed**, nor has the value of your achievement. NCCER is actively educating owners and contractors about this change in terminology to ensure an industry-wide understanding. One important goal of that effort is to assure your employer that there is no reason to adjust any benefits or recognition you currently receive.