Maryland Licensed Tree Expert Exam Study Guide

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Introduction

This Study Guide is intended for those individuals who are preparing to take the Tree Expert exam as required by the Maryland Tree Expert Licensing Laws. Anyone seeking to practice or advertise tree care services in the State of Maryland must obtain this license from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. Without it, they may not practice or advertise tree care services in the state. To obtain a license, the applicant must possess adequate and related college education plus one year of experience under a Licensed Tree Expert or have three years of experience under a Licensed Tree Expert, then have passed the exam and carry adequate amounts of liability and property damage insurance. Information on when the exams are given can be found at https://dnr.maryland.gov/forests/Pages/treeexpert_studyguide.aspx.

The exam has ten sections or domains. The questions are in multiple choice or true/false format. A passing score of 70% is required for each individual domain, as well as for the overall test. There are 140 questions, 14 in each domain. A listing of the domains, their associated study materials, and the pass rates required for each can be found in Appendix A.

