

## Why Accreditation and Trademarks Matter

ABTC® is pleased to present our NCCA accredited and trademarked exams to transplant industry candidates.

NCCA accreditation is a crucial validation for professional or personnel certification programs. It assures you that our program has met the rigorous national and international standards set by the credentialing industry for the development, implementation, and maintenance of certification programs. (<https://www.credentialingexcellence.org/Accreditation/Earn-Accreditation/NCCA>)

Trademarks protect the integrity of exam content and prevent unauthorized use or replication. By safeguarding against cheating, piracy, or misinformation, trademarks maintain the validity and reliability of the certification, upholding its value in the eyes of stakeholders.

Trademarks are the cornerstone of certification exams, preserving their credibility, authenticity, and reliability. They signify more than just a symbol; they represent the commitment to excellence and the standard of proficiency that candidates strive to achieve, and employers seek to trust.

## Certificant Responsibilities

To maintain the integrity of ABTC® certifications, only those who hold the certification in good standing may use the designation, including trademarks. Your certifications must remain current and not elapsed to stay in good standing. To maintain currency, see CEPTCs <https://abtc.net/certified-professionals/continued-education>

An exception is made for retired people; they may use Name, Sustainer, and the exam certification. (International Society of Certification (ICE). 2019. The ICE Handbook (3rd ed.). Institute for Credentialing Excellence p. 152.)