



CREIA Recognizes Building Science Principles (BSP) Certificate for Continuing Education *BSP second edition now available.*

The California Real Estate Inspection Association (CREIA) has recognized [BPI's Building Science Principles \(BSP\) Certificate of Knowledge](#) for the basic principles of residential energy efficiency, health and safety it brings to the continuing education of their membership. The BSP Certificate is earned by passing BPI's 100 question, multiple choice online exam on the principles of building science behind house-as-a-system energy upgrades. The [California Real Estate Inspection Association](#) is a non-profit, member-driven trade association with chapters throughout the state. CREIA is a hands-on organization that provides educational programming for its members at events throughout the state, while representing the real estate inspection industry and promoting real estate inspection as a professional discipline.

"The CREIA community is proud of our commitment to deliver high quality service to home buyers in California. Due to California's ever-changing energy codes, CREIA's inspectors are regularly called upon due to their proven guidance, and high standards of excellence. BPI's Building Science Principles raises that bar, and bolsters the credibility of home inspectors that have taken the exam and earned the certificate. With verified knowledge of building science, CREIA's home inspectors stand second to none," says CREIA Chairman Steve John.

A foundation in residential building science knowledge is critical for practitioners in the building and real estate trades. The principles of building science demonstrate how various components of the home interact to affect the home's overall performance. By studying the BSP Reference Guide, readers understand the relationship between the building envelope, insulation, heating, A/C, mechanical ventilation, lighting, appliances and other systems of the home. Readers learn how all of these systems affect the comfort, health and safety of occupants and durability of the home. They discover why improving the energy efficiency of the home is the first step toward solar, geothermal or other renewable energy improvements.

The BSP exam is a 100-question multiple-choice exam that can be taken anytime online. Candidates prepare for the exam by first studying the companion reference guide that walks you through the major systems of the home.

A Spanish-language edition of the BSP reference guide and exam will be available toward the end of November.

Program Details

The BSP Certificate of Knowledge is for those who need to know how homes work but don't need the hands-on technical skills required of BPI certified professionals. The BSP certificate verifies your knowledge of the fundamentals of building science, critical for anyone involved in the real estate community.

Earn 5 CREIA CEUs with the BSP Exam Passing the BSP exam and earning the certificate qualifies for 5 CREIA CEUs. Special for CREIA members, **BPI is offering you and your colleagues a 20% discount off both the BSP reference guide and exam, through November 30, 2014. Just enter XCREIAX at check out to receive your discount.**

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