POOL SERVICE PROFESSIONALS
GET CERTIFIED!

Whether you are a lifeguard at a pool in the summer or working in a family business, this service pathway leads you to a rewarding career. Tap into the only recognized service career pathway in the industry. Validate your skills and give your company the advantage.

Take control of your career. Build your business. Show Customers Your Expertise.

The Certified Pool Service Professional Pathway

Expand beyond the CPO certification. Gain knowledge and the highest certification available in the service industry.

Convenient & Flexible
Most courses are available online with remote testing options, so you can fit classes and continuing education into your busy schedule.

24 states and Washington, DC require pool operator training. CPO satisfies this requirement and is approved in most jurisdictions where additional certification and continuing education is required.

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Level Up. This pathway for the service segment of our industry puts your team on the right track to master their trade. This program builds upon your existing knowledge base and enables you to achieve different levels of certification as you grow in your service career.

**Certified Pool & Spa Operator®**

The world’s leading education and certification program for keeping pools open, safe, and running smoothly. CPO certification provides individuals with the knowledge, techniques, and skills required for proper pool operations.

**Curriculum includes:**
- Safety protocols, risk reduction
- Regulatory compliance
- Water balance, testing, troubleshooting
- Automation and technology

**Certified Pool & Spa Maintenance Specialist®**

Ideal for those new to the pool industry or working a pool maintenance route, this course covers the PHTA Service Tech Manual, providing knowledge of industry standards for safety, pool circulation and filtration, pool maintenance, and water quality, as well as an introduction to electrical systems, pool structures and finishes, heaters and controls, and customer service.

**Prerequisites:**
- Successful completion of the Certified Maintenance Specialist (CMS) course
- Pass the CMS Exam

**Certified Pool & Spa Service Technician®**

Distinguish yourself as an experienced and knowledgeable service technician. Develop a better understanding and troubleshooting skills for circulation, filtration, hydraulics, and electrical systems, as well as common problems with pool finishes and how to repair them.

**Prerequisites:**
- 2 years of industry experience
- Successful completion of the Certified Service Technician (CST) course
- Pass the CST Exam

**Certified Pool & Spa Service Professional®**

More experienced professionals can achieve the CSP certification, demonstrating to customers and employers the knowledge and skills that will set you apart. This nationally recognized designation can also increase visibility with pool and spa manufacturers, distributors, and buying groups.

**Prerequisites:**
- 5 years of industry experience
- Current Certified Pool & Spa Service Technician (CST) certification
- Pass the CSP Exam

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