



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

IHMM Announces Annual Certification Maintenance Fee (ACMF) Increase

Rockville, Maryland (3 November 2016) – The Institute of Hazardous Materials Management appreciates the incredible loyalty and commitment you dedicate to your hard-earned gold standard credentials in the hazardous materials management and dangerous goods transportation fields. We thank you also for your patience through our database conversion.

As we move into a new year, IHMM will be making much-needed improvements to the new database, our office equipment, and our headquarters staff as we move to better promote and manage our certification programs in the US and internationally. To support these initiatives while continuing to remain consistent with industry standards among our contemporaries, the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM) will be increasing the annual fees for the Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM), Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner (CHMP) and Certified Dangerous Goods Professional (CDGP) credentials, effective 1 January 2017.

IHMM sources of operational income include:

- Application fees covering application and processing costs
- Examination fees covering costs for registration, exam delivery, reporting of results, analysis of exam performance, and ongoing test development and maintenance
- Annual certification maintenance fees covering governance, staff, facility, equipment, supplies, and other operational support services and expenses, as well as promotion and expansion of IHMM programs and initiatives
- Sales of our textbook, *Managing Hazardous Materials*

Your annual fees are critical to the Institute's operations, and make possible the incredible growth and improvement IHMM's programs have seen in recent years. Please refer to our upcoming electronic IHMM Today newsletter for details on what we have accomplished this year.

This fee change is based on industry standards for credentials within the EH&S professions. Please refer to the chart on the next page detailing the following new changes:

- New certificants will pay the ACMF in the first year
- The ACMF is raised from \$140 to \$160



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IHMM 2017 FEE CHANGE:

Fee Comparison for new applicants and new certificants (first five year recertification cycle):

2017 ACMF Change	Organization	Application Fee	Exam Fee	Annual Fee	Recert Fee	5-year Total	Increase/year (over 5 years)
Fees thru 31 Dec 2016	IHMM (CHMM/CHMP /CDGP)	\$175	\$360*	\$140x4*=560	0	\$1,095	
NEW Fees as of 1 Jan 2017	IHMM (CHMM/CHMP /CDGP)	\$175	\$360**	\$160x5**= 800	0	\$1,335	\$48

*New IHMM certificants previously did not pay annual fees in the first year.

**New IHMM certificants will now pay annual fees in the first year.

Please contact us at info@ihmm.org should you have any questions.

About the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management

For over 30 years the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management, a not-for-profit organization founded in 1984, has been protecting the environment and the public's health, safety, and security through the administration of credentials recognizing professionals who have demonstrated a high level of knowledge, expertise, and excellence in the management of hazardous materials.

Over 16,000 homeland security, environmental protection, engineering, health sciences, transportation, and public safety professionals have earned IHMM's accredited Certified Hazardous Materials Manager credential. IHMM also administers the Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner credential, Certified Dangerous Good Professional and the Certified Dangerous Goods Trainer (CDGT) program.

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