GRP Accreditation Maintenance and Renewal Guidelines

Continuing Education

The ongoing maintenance of the GRP accreditation is important as it demonstrates that GRPs are keeping up to date with industry trends, technologies and best practices.

In order to maintain the GRP status, GRPs must obtain 16 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) within two years of the date they wrote the exam. In general, one CEU is equivalent to one hour of learning.

A minimum number of eight CEUs must be acquired via GRHC related activities (e.g. conferences, symposiums/workshops, courses – some of which are available in our online learning center, the Living Architecture Academy) while the remaining 8 CEUs can be acquired via external programs provided they are related to one or more aspects of green roof design, installation, or maintenance. For example, courses related to green roof practices in the following areas would be eligible for credits:

- Roofing and waterproofing
- Leak detection
- Construction management
- Landscape design
- Plants
- Architecture
- Maintenance

CEUs can be earned through different types of activities. Generally speaking, one hour of attendance (minus breaks) or study is equivalent to one CEU unless otherwise specified. Types of activities which may qualify include:

- Conferences
- Workshops
- Information sessions
- Courses (online or in person)
- Webinars
➢ Published articles (1 CEU)
➢ Presentations (1 CEU per hour)

**Reporting Continuing Education Units**

All CEUs must be self reported using the *GRP Continuing Ed* tab of your online member profile.

Any credits being claimed that appear to fall outside of the requirements stated above will be forwarded to the Accreditation Committee for review.

There will be a grace period of 6 months following the two-year period. If CEUs are not reported by the end of the 6 month period then the GRP credential will not be renewed without paying a $200 penalty.

If an excess of CEUs are accumulated in the two-year period, up to 50% (8 CEUs) can be carried forward into the next two-year period.

**GRP Renewal Fee**

Once all CEUs are reported, a GRP will be required to pay a $95 renewal fee for the next two year period.

**GRHC Membership**

As of January 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2011, all GRPs are required to be GRHC Individual Members in good standing.