



Grandfathering Requirements for the SSE-CMM Appraiser or SSE-CMM Lead Appraiser

A Grandfathering period of one year from the date of program implementation will be established. All applications for grandfather status will be reviewed by a review committee established by the ISSEA Certification Working Group and approved by the ISSEA Board of Directors:

An individual will be awarded recognition as an **SSE-CMM Appraiser** if they meet the following criteria:

1. **Experience and Education:** Acceptable proof of experience includes no less than five years experience in the SSE-CMM Appraisal Methodology and/or other recognized security appraisal methodology; participation in the development or ongoing maintenance of the SSE-CMM model and associated processes; contributions to the field of security (e.g., publications, presentations); exposure to other capability maturity models and their application in an appraisal process. Acceptable proof of education includes successful completion of a bachelor's program in a relevant field of study (e.g., Information Systems, Information Systems Security, Information Technology Management) and/or successful completion of independent commercial certifications (CISSP, GIAC, ISSEP, and others).
2. **Professional Reference:** The applicant must provide a letter of reference from his/her employer attesting to the qualifications for certification. Additionally, a letter from another grandfathered or certified SSE-CMM Appraiser or SSE-CMM Lead Appraiser may be submitted.
3. **Ethics Statement:** The applicant must sign the ISSEA Code of Ethics statement found on the back of the application.
4. **Application:** The applicant must complete and submit an application and meet the eligibility requirements in place at the time of the application.

An individual will be awarded recognition as an **SSE-CMM Lead Appraiser** if they meet the following criteria:

1. **Experience and Education:** Acceptable proof of experience includes no less than ten years experience in the SSE-CMM Appraisal Methodology and/or other recognized security appraisal methodology; participation in the development or ongoing maintenance of the SSE-CMM model; valuable contributions to the field of security (e.g., publications, presentations, security tools development); application of other capability maturity models in an appraisal process. Acceptable proof of education includes successful completion of a post-graduate program in a relevant field of



- study and/or successful completion of independent commercial certifications (CISSP, GIAC, and others).
2. Professional Reference: The applicant must provide a letter of reference from his/her employer attesting to the qualifications for certification. Additionally, a letter from another grandfathered or certified SSE-CMM Appraiser or SSE-CMM Lead Appraiser may be submitted.
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