



COATING INSPECTION PROFESSIONAL

CIP Level 1 & CIP Level 2 — Program Details 2026

Program Structure

The CIP training programs consist of the following parts:

1. **Theory and practical classes** – in the classroom.
2. **Field Lab day** – at the workshop followed by log book preparation in the workshop yard and classroom/home (CIP Level 1 only).
3. **Practical Examination** – in the classroom.
4. **Computer Based Examination (CBT)** – theory – at any Pearson VUE test center.
5. **Ethics for Corrosion Professionals** – AMPP online course – from anywhere.

The instructors from AMPP / NACE International will handle the training sessions and conduct the examinations.

Eligibility Criteria

CIP Level 1 (6 days)

No formal experience required, but a minimum educational qualification of high school with documentary proof is recommended. Students who have undergone CIP 1 training, passed the practical, log book and CBT can become certified after successful completion of the "Ethics for Corrosion Professionals" online course.

CIP Level 2 (5 days)

1. Candidate should be either CIP 1 certified or should have completed CIP Level 1 course within the last year (even if not certified).
2. For attending CIP 2 training, a pass in practical / log book / CBT of CIP 1 is **not essential**. Two years of experience is also **not essential** for attending the course and exam. However, certification will not be issued until condition 3 below is satisfied.
3. Two years of verifiable work experience is a must for CIP 2 **certification**. Students may take CIP 2 training, pass the practical and CBT, but can become certified only after gaining the experience, submitting required documents to NACE, and completing the "Ethics for Corrosion Professionals" online course.

Technical Content

CIP Level 1	CIP Level 2
• Corrosion Control	• Dehumidification
• Coatings Introduction	• Centrifugal Blast Cleaning
• Curing Mechanisms	• Water Jetting and Blasting
• Role of the Inspector	• Specialized Application Equipment
• Environmental Test Instruments	• Linings and Special Coatings
• Inspection Procedures	• Concrete and Cementitious Surfaces
• Nondestructive Test Instruments	• Pipeline and FBE Pipeline Coatings
• Coating Specifications	• Maintenance Coatings
• Documentation	• Inspection Procedures
• Surface Preparation Methods	• Destructive and Non-Destructive Test Instruments
• Application Procedures	• Special Substrates Preparation and Inspection
• Coating Failures	• Thick Barrier Lining
	• Specialized Coatings and Applications
	• Specialized Test Equipment
	• Hot-dip Galvanizing
	• Spray Metallizing
	• Coating Types and Failure Modes
	• Coating Survey Techniques
	• Cathodic Protection
	• Regulations and Standards

Examination & Certification

Only the practical examination will be conducted during the training program. AMPP will send a welcome email to registered candidates with their NACE ID and password.

Candidates must log in to their NACE ID and schedule a date for the theory examination. The theory paper must be taken separately by CBT at NACE Authorized Centers (Pearson VUE), anywhere in the world, within one year from the date of authorization.

From January 2021, completing the Ethics Online Course has become mandatory for CIP certification. The Ethics Course is organized by AMPP. Candidates register by logging into their NACE ID and paying the prescribed fee in US Dollars as listed on the NACE/AMPP website.

Course Timings: CIP 1 – Monday to Saturday | CIP 2 – Monday to Friday

Dress Requirement: Formal dress is required during classes. CIP 1 candidates must bring safety shoes (toe covered) for the field lab day.

Upcoming AMPP Programs at Cochin

Program	Program Dates	Remarks
Basic Coating Inspector – Level 1 (CIP-1)	6 – 11 April 2026	Confirmation subject to minimum registrations
Certified Coating Inspector – Level 2 (CIP-2)	13 – 17 April 2026	Confirmation subject to minimum registrations
Basic Coating Inspector – Level 1 (CIP-1)	8 – 13 June 2026	Confirmation subject to minimum registrations
Certified Coating Inspector – Level 2 (CIP-2)	15 – 19 June 2026	Confirmation subject to minimum registrations
Basic Coating Inspector – Level 1 (CIP-1)	9 – 14 August 2026	Confirmation subject to minimum registrations
Certified Coating Inspector – Level 2 (CIP-2)	16 – 20 August 2026	Confirmation subject to minimum registrations
Basic Coating Inspector – Level 1 (CIP-1)	7 – 12 December 2026	Confirmation subject to minimum registrations
Certified Coating Inspector – Level 2 (CIP-2)	14 – 18 December 2026	Confirmation subject to minimum registrations

There is no requirement to pass CIP 1 to appear for CIP 2. Candidates can register for CIP 1 & 2 together. There is no experience requirement to join CIP 1 & 2 classes. However, **for CIP 2 only**, proof of two years of verifiable experience must be submitted to AMPP before the certificate can be issued. A candidate must also pass all exams, complete the ethics course, and **hold a valid CIP Level 1 certificate** before a CIP Level 2 certificate can be issued.

AMPP Program Fees (Valid till June 2026)

Important Notes:

- Fees differ for AMPP members and non-members. It is advised that candidates enroll as AMPP members first to avail member benefits.
- AMPP membership fee: US\$ 75 (below 35 years) or US\$ 99 (35 years and above).
- Non-member fee participants receive complimentary 1-year AMPP membership automatically.
- Participants registering for CIP 1 & 2 together receive an additional 5% discount on CIP 2.
- "Ethics for Corrosion Professionals" course fee (approx. USD 100) is separate, paid directly to AMPP. Valid for 3 years. Required for CIP certification.

All payments are due in advance for confirming registrations.

For Corporate Customers: TDS deduction is applicable at 10% under Section 194J on the basic course fee. No withholding tax applicable for USD payments under LRS code S1006.

Regular Fees							
Course	Currency	Member			Non-Member		
		Base	GST	Total	Base	GST	Total
CIP 1	US Dollars	2,829	nil	2,829	3,104	nil	3,104
CIP 1	Indian Rupees	2,60,000	46,800	3,06,800	2,82,000	50,760	3,32,760
CIP 2	US Dollars	2,829	nil	2,829	3,104	nil	3,104
CIP 2	Indian Rupees	2,60,000	46,800	3,06,800	2,82,000	50,760	3,32,760

Advance Fees apply only to course fees paid in full **45 days prior** to the course start date. After this date, regular fees apply.

Advance Fees (45 Days Prior)							
Course	Currency	Member			Non-Member		
		Base	GST	Total	Base	GST	Total
CIP 1	US Dollars	2,759	nil	2,759	3,011	nil	3,011
CIP 1	Indian Rupees	2,48,000	44,640	2,92,640	2,74,000	49,320	3,23,320
CIP 2	US Dollars	2,759	nil	2,759	3,011	nil	3,011
CIP 2	Indian Rupees	2,48,000	44,640	2,92,640	2,74,000	49,320	3,23,320

Retest Policy

Practical Exam Retest: 80% of original fees if re-taken within 1 year of first class date; 100% if beyond. The candidate can retake during the next available class.

CBT Exam Retest: 2nd and 3rd attempts cost US\$ 165 each. Beyond 3rd attempt: 80% of original fees within 1 year, 100% thereafter. Minimum 30-day gap required between attempts.

CBT result is instantaneous. Practical results take 7–15 business days and are published online. Candidates can book CBT via their AMPP profile → Certification Portal. The first CBT attempt fee is included in the CIP course fee.

Retest Fees							
Course	Currency	Member			Non-Member		
		Base	GST	Total	Base	GST	Total
CIP 1	US Dollars	2,263	nil	2,263	2,483	nil	2,483
CIP 1	Indian Rupees	2,08,000	37,440	2,45,440	2,25,600	40,608	2,66,208
CIP 2	US Dollars	2,263	nil	2,263	2,483	nil	2,483
CIP 2	Indian Rupees	2,08,000	37,440	2,45,440	2,25,600	40,608	2,66,208

Renewal

Renewal is every 3 years. Candidates will be notified by AMPP 6 months in advance. Recertification fees are paid directly to AMPP and the process is completed by the candidate. There is no exam – only proof of 2 years of coating-related work experience needs to be submitted.

Payment Instructions

Whenever a payment is made, please send the payment receipt on WhatsApp to **+91 79074 22881**.

Indian Rupee Payments	
Account Name	Blastline Institute
Bank	South Indian Bank
Account Number	0532073000000808
Account Type	Current
SWIFT Code	SOININ55XXX
IFSC Code	SIBL0000532
Branch	Elamakkara
<i>Payment modes: Cash / Wire Transfer / NEFT / Online Banking / UPI. (IBAN number is Same as account number)</i>	

US Dollar Payments

Recipient or Account Name	EAC International LLC
Bank	JPMorgan Chase Bank
Account Number	2906255892 (IBAN number is Same as account number)
SWIFT	CHASUS33
Recipient Address	5830 E 2nd Street, Casper, WY 82609, USA
City	Casper
State	Wyoming
County	Natrona County
Postal Code	82609
Country	United States of America

Wire transfer: no additional charge. Credit card: additional 5% convenience charge applies.