



## Direct Entry Pre-Approval Requirements

Policies for the Direct Entry program can be found in Section 9 of SPRAT's [Rope Access Evaluation Guidelines](#).

### Eligibility

- SPRAT's Direct Entry program allows individuals who have obtained rope access experience outside of the SPRAT certification program to evaluate at an upper-level SPRAT certification
- Individuals who hold or have held a certification in one of the following recognized rope access associations may apply for approval to evaluate as a Direct Entry candidate as per the eligibility requirements:
  - Australian Rope Access Association (ARAA)
  - German Association for Rope Access (FISAT)
  - Industrial Rope Access Trade Association (IRATA)
  - IRATA Brasil *Associação Comercial de Acesso por Cordas Industrial* (IRATA Brasil)
  - Norwegian Association for Rope Access (SOFT)
  - Singapore Rope Access Association (SRAA)
- The Evaluations Committee will consider other rope access certification schemes following a review of their certification requirements.
- The following table provides a summary of eligibility requirements for Level 2 and Level 3 Direct Entry consideration:

		Direct Entry L2	Direct Entry L3
Recognized organization level (current or expired)	1	≥ 6 months, ≥ 500 hours as L1	<i>Not eligible</i>
	2	≥ 500 hours	≥ 6 months, ≥ 500 hours as L1, ≥ 1000 total hours
	3	≥ 500 hours	≥ 1000 total hours

### Application Process

- Applications must be completed in their entirety for committee consideration.
- Applications may be submitted by the individual, the Evaluation Session Host, or training provider.
- Applications and application fees should be submitted no less than five weeks before the scheduled rope access evaluation.
- Notice of an application's approval or rejection is sent to the Evaluation Session Host listed within the application.
  - This notice, as well as experience documentation, shall be presented to the evaluator at the beginning of the rope access evaluation. Additional confirmation may be provided by the SPRAT Office upon request.
- A candidate is ineligible to test at their preferred level without notice of Direct Entry approval from the SPRAT Office.
- Approval to test as a Direct Entry candidate is valid for two attempts.
- If a candidate is unsuccessful following two attempts, a new application must be submitted.

### Application Fee

- A non-refundable \$300 application fee is assessed at the time of application submission.
- This fee does not cover any candidate fees associated with an evaluation session .



Please send completed applications and supplemental documentation to [info@sprat.org](mailto:info@sprat.org)

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**Applicant Name:**

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**Applicant Email:**

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**Direct Entry Level:**

Level II

Level III

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**Evaluation Session Date:**

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**Evaluation Session Host:**

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**Contact Name:**

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**Contact Email:**

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### Attached

- Verification of current or previous certification
- Required documentation of work experience employing a two-rope system as specified in the *SPRAT Safe Practices for Rope Access Work*.
- Two professional references (include below)

**Reference #1 Name:**

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**Email:**

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**Phone:**

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**Reference #2 Name:**

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**Email:**

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**Phone:**

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### ***Terms and Conditions***

I verify that all information appearing within this application, inclusive of accompanying documents, is correct to the best of my knowledge, and all required documentation for the preferred level of certification has been included.

I understand that the review process will begin promptly upon submission of this application requiring the fulfillment of the application fee regardless of the outcome of the process. I also understand that once submitted, no additional information will be accepted as part of the application unless explicitly requested.

If approval has not been provided by the date of the session, I understand that I will not be permitted to participate in an evaluation session as a Direct Entry candidate.

I understand that if approval is granted to test as a Direct Entry candidate, following two consecutive failed attempts at the pre-approved level, the provided approval will no longer be valid.

Furthermore, I authorize the SPRAT Evaluations Committee to verify all information, and to contact all provided references provided.

**Applicant Signature:**

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**Applicant Name:**

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**Date:**

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To be completed if submitted by the Evaluation Session Host:

I verify that I understand the above terms, and hereby submit the provided application materials and waiver on behalf of the listed candidate.

**Evaluation Session Host:**

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**Contact Signature:**

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**Contact Name:**

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**Date:**

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### Application Fee

\$300 per applicant

*Application fee does not cover the certification processing cost assessed following a successful completion of the evaluation.  
An invoice for the application fees can be provided upon request.*

#### Payment Options:

Please select one:

##### Credit Card:

- Online Payment (link to be provided following receipt of the application)
- Complete the following credit card authorization form and submit with required materials to [info@sprat.org](mailto:info@sprat.org).

Check (U.S. Funds) made payable to "SPRAT" sent to:

SPRAT  
994 Old Eagle School Road, Suite 1019  
Wayne, PA 19087

Wire Payment or Bank Draft

Credit Card Type:    Visa    MasterCard    American Express    Other \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Name on Card:</b>	
<b>Credit Card Number:</b>	
<b>Expiration Date (mm/yy):</b>	<b>CVV*:</b>
<b>Billing Address:</b>	
<b>Email for Receipt:</b>	

*\* CVV is the three-digit code found on the back of a Visa and MasterCard or the four-digit code found on the front of an American Express.*