

NOTICE TO ISA EVENT PARTICIPANTS

REQUIRED EMERGENCY CONTACT AND HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION

The Midwestern ISA Chapter tree climbing championship is covered under the International Society of Arboriculture and as such is identified below as an ISA Event.

The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) strongly advises all ISA Event participants to have comprehensive, personal health (medical) insurance throughout their participation in ISA Events, including the *Midwestern ISA Chapter Tree Climbing Championship* and the ISA Certified Tree Worker examination. ISA also strongly recommends that ISA Event participants have disability insurance coverage. Participants should confirm that their insurance plan(s) covers medical expenses in the event of an injury during an ISA Event, including certain events that are conducted outside of the participant's home country.

Participants should have their personal health (medical) insurance information, including the insurance provider and policy number, readily available during the ISA Event in case of emergency. Participants should also provide that insurance information to the emergency contact they list below.

As stated in the required ISA Event Participant Agreement and Release that all participants must accept, ISA currently maintains a supplemental medical insurance policy (the ISA Climbers Event Policy) on behalf of participants in ISA Events conducted in the United States and Canada. The ISA Climbers Event Policy is a supplemental and secondary insurance plan and is not intended to replace the personal health and disability insurance policies of an ISA Event participant.

In summary, the ISA Climbers Event Policy includes the following benefits and limitations:

- The policy is applicable only to ISA Events conducted in the United States and Canada.
- The policy may pay up to \$50,000 in covered medical costs not paid by the ISA Event participant's primary health insurance plans.
- The policy may not pay for co-pays, deductibles, and other costs required by the participant's primary health insurance policy.
- The participant must satisfy all requirements of the policy and the insurance company that issues the ISA Climber Event Policy.

ISA Event participants may contact ISA at itcc@isa-arbor.com for additional information regarding the ISA Climbers Event Policy.

Each ISA Event participant must complete the following emergency contact information, and submit the completed form to the *Midwestern ISA Chapter* at: staff@mwisa.org

Participant Name: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Phone Number(s): _____

This form must be submitted to the *Midwestern ISA Chapter* at least 4 days before the *Midwestern ISA Chapter* Event. *Midwestern ISA Chapter* will keep the information provided on this completed form for one year and will use the information only in the event of emergency involving the participant during an ISA Event.