

ACCREDITED RURAL APPRAISER (ARA) - FAST TRACK REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

1. Complete and pass the following appraisal courses:

Please note: All course work must be successfully completed at least 30 days prior to sitting for the accrediting exam.

- ASFMRA Best in Business Ethics tested course and be current with ASFMRA sixyear Ethics requirement
- If applying as a current AACI, you must also successfully complete the 15 Hour USPAP Course.
- 2. Provide evidence of certification as a Certified General Appraiser under the certification laws and regulations of any state, if the applicant of the designation works within the United States.
- 3. For ARA, five years of experience in the discipline applicable to the ARA designation for which the member is applying in rural appraisal. For the discipline of Appraisal, experience must include rural appraisal of at least 600 hours of the 1,600 hours in each of the last three years. No more than 100 hours of the 600 hours can be from rural residential appraising or reviewing. The individual shall have completed the requirements and objectives which are set out in each discipline

and Standards of Professional Practice as outlined in the corresponding procedures.

- 4. For the purpose of determining work experience, each applicant will be asked to submit six appraisal reports from their log. The Review Committee will inform the applicant as to which three reports must be submitted. The applicant will be asked to choose three additional appraisal reports, one from each of the past three years, to submit.
- 5. Be a current ASFMRA member prior to submitting an application for accreditation.
- 6. Be an active member in good standing holding a designation from an organization that requires passing a demonstration report,
- 7. An invoice for the examination fee will be sent when applicant is cleared to sit for the examination.
- 8. Pass the final ARA Accrediting exam.

The Application Deadline is January 15 and April 1 of each year. You must have all requirements completed by this date, with the exception of your education. Education must be completed at least 30 days prior to the accreditation exam.