Are you certifiable?

If you can answer most of the questions below, you are ready to become one of Philadelphia's first CERTIFIED TOUR GUIDES!

ABOUT THE EXAM:

The first Certification Examination will take place at the Christ Church Neighborhood House on North American Street behind Christ Church at 6:00 pm on April 12. There is a \$25 fee for the examination. Enrollment in the Tour Guides' Training Course is not a prerequisite.

Part I of the exam, based almost verbatim on the content of the Handbook, will consist of 100 straightforward questions to test basic knowledge of important Philadelphia people and places. At least 60% of the exam will deal with the Historic District.

Part II will consist of 4 visual identifications. Here you will be asked to identify the site pictured in a photograph, (1 point), give its location (1 point) and briefly identify its significance and the persons, facts or events associated with it. (3 points).

Scoring:

100 questions 1 point apiece 100 points

4 site identifications 5 points apiece 20 points

TOTAL 120 points

The minimal passing score is 80 out of a possible 120 points - (66% correct answers).

Ready for some sample questions?

SAMPLE REPRESETATIVE QUESTIONS:

TRUE OR FALSE:
In 1800, the richest man in America was Robert Morris
The National Liberty Museum celebrates heroes like Nelson Mandela
The admission fee to the U.S. Mint is between \$3 and \$5 apiece
The largest bronze work in Philadelphia is the Washington Monument
Philadelphia's first African American mayor was John Street
Mikveh Israel is America's oldest synagogue
The American Philosophical Society is the nation's oldest learned society
FILL IN THE BLANKS:
The tower on this building made it the tallest structure in the American colonies:
He is called "The Father of American Surgery"
This is the tallest building in Philadelphia today:
He founded Mother Bethel (A.M.E.) Church:
Weisgerber's painting made this revolutionary woman famous:
His nose is 18" long.

MULTIPLE CHOICE: (circle one)

This is the oldest continuously-used Methodist Church building in America:

St. Paul's Old Pine St. George's First Asbury

This wealthy sail maker became a leading Philadelphia abolitionist:

Richard Allen Coffey Douglass James Dexter James Forten

America's first public hospital was founded by:

Dr. Rush Dr. Shippen Dr. Bond Dr. Wistar

The primary place for visitors to obtain information on Philadelphia is the:

Nat'l Constitution Center Bourse City Hall Independence Visitors Center

Arch Street was originally named:

Sassafras St. Cedar St. Mulberry St. High Street

The American Eagle, our national symbol, is displayed on the façade of this building:

Merchants Exchange First Bank Second Bank Congress Hall