

**GRANDFATHERING APPLICATION FOR
PERMANENT CERTIFICATION**

- * Applicants must maintain YAA membership and be a member in good standing. *
- * Applications must be received by the applicable deadline (March 1st for May certification, July 1st for September certification, and November 1st for January certification) and must be received **no later than November 1, 2021.***
- * Please be advised that any applicant may be subject to an audit of submitted documentation at anytime. *

Name: _____	E-mail Address: _____
Address: _____	
City/Province: _____	Postal Code: _____
Phone Number: (Home) _____	(Alternate) _____

Those who may be considered for YAA Permanent Certification must have long-standing experience as teacher and practitioner with:

- 20 or more years of on-going learning and practice of hatha yoga, including
- 15 or more years of on-going teaching experience as a **YAA Certified** Hatha Yoga Teacher (equivalencies not accepted), and
- must affirm that they are at least 55 years of age.

To apply for Permanent Certification, please submit this form to the above with the following:

- Up-to-date YAA membership** (current expiry date listed on the mailing label of your *Yoga Bridge* newsletter),
- Permanent Certification Fee (\$225),**
- Prior approval as a YAA Senior Teacher, OR submit:**
 1. A **reference letter** from a YAA Certified Senior Teacher (or equivalent) with whom the applicant has mentored that attests to the applicants' maturity of practice and teaching skills, and
 2. A **character reference** from another YAA Certified Senior Teacher that verifies that their professional conduct reflects the YAA Code of Ethics.

Please provide the following information for review by the YAA Certification Committee:

1. In what year did you first start taking hatha yoga classes in a formal setting? _____
2. Describe the nature of your present yoga practice. (e.g. Tradition, style, types of practices, areas of interest, expertise).

_____ **Initial to affirm that you are at least 55 years of age.**

The information on this form is used to determine eligibility in YAA programs. By signing below, I affirm that all the documents attached to this certification application are correct, complete and fully disclose my yoga activities. I agree to have my name, phone number, teaching location and training, e-mail and/or website added to the YAA Directory in the *Yoga Bridge* and on the YAA Website. I also agree to receive commercial electronic emails from the YAA. All other information is kept confidential. The YAA does not sell databases to third parties.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____