

Certification Presentation Summary

REFER TO WATER & WASTEWATER FACILITY OPERATORS REGULATION (M.R. 77/2003) FOR EXACT REQUIREMENTS AND TEXT

Facilities:

Facilities are divided into 4 categories:

Water Treatment, Water Distribution, Wastewater Treatment, Wastewater Collection

Each category of facility falls into one of 5 classes:

Small System, Class I, Class II, Class III, Class IV

Class designation of Distribution and Collection Facilities is dependant on population served.

Class designation of Treatment Facilities is dependant on the treatment processes used.

Facility classification valid for 5 years (with some conditions).

Operating Requirements:

- All facilities must be classified, deadline to be extended in the regulation amendment
- As of September 1, 2006 all operators employed in facilities must be certified.
- The regulation amendment includes an extension of the timeline for owners to file a table of organization (proposed extension to Nov 28, 2005)
- Operator certificates to be prominently displayed
- Operator-in-charge must be designated and recorded
- Emergency response plan required
- In-service training may be required
- Operating records to be maintained (listing of requirements in section 33 of regulation)

Operators:

Three components of operator certification:

Examination Education Experience

Red River College, Assiniboine College & Keewatin Com. College all have some in-class training programs, please contact the college for information. Correspondence courses are also available, refer to ABC website for a list of "Need to Know" criteria and reference materials.

When the regulation amendment passes, operator application forms will be available on the Program website.

All operators working in any facility will be required to be certified by September 1, 2006.

Operator certificates valid for 5 years (with some exceptions and conditions).

Resources:

Manitoba Conservation program website (lists exam schedule, facility forms, links to regulation, etc)

<http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/envapprovals/operator-certification/index.html>

ABC Exam "Need to Know" and reference material <http://www.abccert.org/examinformation.html>

Regulation <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/regs/2003/pdf/077-e125.03.pdf>

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