

333-061-0245

Applications for Certification, Levels 1-4

- (1) An applicant for certification must submit documentation with any application demonstrating that their qualifying experience and education meets the minimum requirements specified in OAR 333-061-0235.
- (2) To obtain initial certification or certification at a higher level by examination, individuals must:
 - (a) Submit complete, signed copies of their application for the examination, and affidavit of experience;
 - (b) Meet the minimum qualifications for the certification sought as prescribed by OAR 333-061-0235;
 - (c) Pay the applicable examination fee as prescribed by OAR 333-061-0265 for the certification sought and examination applied for; and
 - (d) Successfully pass the examination for the certification sought.
- (3) To obtain certification by reciprocity, individuals must:
 - (a) Possess current, valid certification in another state or province which has a recognized certification program substantially equivalent to the requirements set forth in these rules;
 - (b) Submit a complete, signed reciprocity application and an affidavit of experience;
 - (c) Pay the applicable reciprocity application fee as prescribed by OAR 333-061-0265 for each certificate desired; and
 - (d) Pay the exam fee as prescribed by OAR 333-061-0265, for any examination as prescribed by OAR 333-061-0250, if required by the Authority.
- (4) All applications for exams must be accompanied by the appropriate fee(s) and documentation, and must be submitted to the Authority 60 days prior to the desired examination date.
- (5) Operating experience earned at a water treatment plant or distribution system is considered qualifying experience for examinations up to one classification level higher than that of the water system where the applicant gained their experience.
- (6) The Authority may waive the education or experience requirements for Level 1 certification if the applicant meets the education requirements and possesses at least three months of operating experience, three months of water-related experience or 30 hours of relevant water system training (three CEUs or three college credits). Upon passing an examination, the Authority will recognize the applicant as an operator in training (OIT) for a period not to exceed 36 calendar months, unless a longer period is approved by the Authority in writing.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 448.131

Stats. Implemented: ORS 448.450, 448.455, 448.460

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Examinations for Certification, Levels 1-4

- (1) Examinations will be provided at locations and at times designated by the Authority or its designee.

- (2) Applicants must obtain a minimum score of 70 percent in order to pass the examination.
- (3) Individuals may not take the same examination more than twice in a 12 month period unless they can demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Authority, that they have completed specific education related to the examination since taking the second examination.
- (4) The Authority or its designee will score all examinations and notify applicants of the results. Examinations will not be returned to the applicant.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 448.131

Stats. Implemented: ORS 448.450, 448.455, 448.460, 448.465 & 448.99