

## CERTIFICATION EXAM NOTICE WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services will conduct written examinations at the Training Center in Franklin, NH for all levels of wastewater treatment plant operator certification on Wednesday, June 7, 2017. The examinations will commence promptly at 9:30 a.m.

**Registration:** Applications for the examination must be received at the NH DES Wastewater Operations Section office at least 6 weeks prior to the examination date. Applicants are advised to submit materials by April 10, 2017 to allow adequate review time before the deadline. The Certification Committee will review the applications and notify the applicants in writing of their eligibility to take the examination. The Committee will consider only information submitted on or before the application due date. Applications that are incomplete or those lacking supporting evidence will be returned unprocessed. Contact DES at 603.271.5553 and request a copy or visit the DES web site to download an Application for Certification at <http://www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wweb/applications.htm>

**Payment:** Legislation requires a \$50.00 application fee (non-refundable) for certification examinations. Please indicate on the check- WASTEWATER EXAM FEE. Make check or money order payable to:  
**TREASURER-STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Mail fee with complete application to:  
**NH DES, Water Division  
Wastewater Operations Section  
PO Box 95  
Concord, NH 03302-0095**

**Exam Criteria:** Applicants who achieve a score of 70% correct or higher on the OIT exam must complete the full experience requirement prior to receiving a full grade license. Applicants who take the Grade 1 examination and achieve a score of 70% correct or higher will receive a Grade 1 license. Operators achieving a score of 70% correct or higher on the written examination for Grades 2, 3 and 4 may be required to attend an interview with the Certification Committee as the second step of the certification process. The education and experience requirements for the various grades are as follows:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Experience</u>	<u>Education</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1-OIT	0 years	12 years	Full Grade 1 after one yr of full time experience
1	1 year	12 years	HS diploma or GED for education
2-OIT	1 year	12 years	HS diploma or GED for education
	<u>or</u> 0 years	13 years	HS diploma <u>plus</u> 1 yr wastewater certificate
2	3 years	12 years	HS diploma or GED for education
3-OIT	2 years	14 years	HS or HSE <u>plus</u> 90 CEU's or 2 yrs college
3	4 years	14 years	HS or HSE <u>plus</u> 90 CEU's or 2 yrs college
4-OIT	4 years	14 years	HS or HSE <u>plus</u> 90 CEU's or 2 yrs college
4	6 years	14 years	HS or HSE <u>plus</u> 90 CEU's or 2 yrs college

**Applied WW Math Review:** There will be an Applied Wastewater Math Review class for all grades prior to the exam. The class will be held at the DES Training Center (FTC) in Franklin, NH on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 and will begin at 8:30 a.m. The fee is \$40.00 per person. The next certification exam will be administered on June 7, 2017.

**Schedule of Dates:**

Suggested Application Due Date	April 10, 2017
Math Review: All Grades	May 24, 2017
Written Examination: All Grades	June 7, 2017

**Recommended Review Materials:** An excellent set of wastewater operator training manuals for all levels of certification are available from the California State University, Sacramento, CA Office for Water Programs. Contact NH DES Wastewater Operations Section at 603-271-5553 for a brochure or contact CSU, Sacramento directly at 916-278-6142 or by fax at 916-278-5959 or on the Internet at <http://www.owp.csus.edu>