



MWEA – Industrial Waste Committee (IWC)

The Industrial Waste Committee is pleased to announce new testing procedures for the MWEA Voluntary Industrial Wastewater Operator Certification Program.

MWEA has a cooperative agreement with California Water Environment Association (CWEA) which provides Missouri a system to certify operators working in an industrial setting.

MWEA encourages certification to promote professionalism in the protection of our environment. As a Certified Industrial Wastewater Operator you demonstrate proficiency, dedication, and value to your company, not only to yourself, but to your organization in managing compliance with applicable regulations and preservation of the water environment.

The Program consists of four grade levels, earned progressively, and based on education and work experience. **Testing for Grade Level I and Level II and are held throughout the year.** Successful candidates will be eligible for additional levels upon completion of additional education/experience requirements in forthcoming testing opportunities.

Testing will be offered in multiple locations across Missouri.

The application is included in this notice along with instructions for the fee and where the application is to be sent.

Minimum Requirements for Approval to Sit for Examination:

Grade Level I – Persons seeking certification at this level are not required to have any experience to qualify for the certification test. However, it is recommended that all candidates seeking Grade I certification have at least one year of experience or the equivalent experience/education combination. The test subject areas are designed for the candidate with at least one year of practical experience.

Grade Level II –

QUALIFYING COMBINATIONS	EDUCATION/CERTIFICATIONS	EXPERIENCE
Scenario # 1,	NONE	4 full-time years in vocation
Scenario # 2,	Hold Grade Level I certificate in vocation for 1 year	2 full-time years in vocation
Scenario # 3, or	Associate's, or higher, degree in a related field	2 full-time years in vocation
Scenario # 4	Bachelor's, or higher, degree in a related field	1 full-time year in vocation

Requirements to Maintain Certification:

Level I (\$69) and Level II (\$74) certificate holders will be required to pay the annual renewal fee and submit documentation of 12 hours of continuing education every two years. Participation at the annual conference and technical workshops (sponsored by MWEA) allow sufficient opportunities to readily meet this requirement.

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