- WAC 173-230-340 Provisional certificate. (1) If a wastewater treatment plant's classification increases solely due to a reclassification based on the criteria in Table 4, the department may issue a one-time provisional certificate to the certified operator in responsible charge and the lead operator of each shift.
- (a) The provisional certificate issued to the operator in responsible charge, will be for the same level as the plant classification.
- (b) The provisional certificate issued to the lead operator of a shift, will be for one level lower than the plant classification.
- (2) The provisional certificate will not be issued if the classification of a plant increases due to a:
  - (a) Plant upgrade.
  - (b) Change to the treatment processes.
  - (c) Change to flow.
- (3) The provisional certificate will be issued only for the operation of a specific plant and may not be transferred.
- (4) When a certified operator holding a provisional certificate leaves employment with that plant, their certification level will return to their former certification level.
- (5) The holder of a provisional certificate must continue to meet all certification requirements.
- (6) When a certified operator holding a provisional certificate upgrades their certification level, they will no longer hold a provisional certificate.

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