

Chapter 196-32 WAC
ON-SITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM DESIGNER LICENSES/INSPECTOR
CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCY

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WAC 196-32-010 Applications. All applications must be completed on forms provided by the board and filed with the executive director at the board's address. The deadline for properly completed applications accompanied by the appropriate fee and/or charge as listed in chapter 196-30 WAC, is three months prior to the date of the examination. Incomplete applications, and applications received after the deadline will be considered for a later examination. Once an application has been approved, no further application is required. Applications submitted without the proper fee shall be considered incomplete.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.210.050, 18.210.060. WSR 00-20-017, § 196-32-010, filed 9/25/00, effective 10/26/00.]

WAC 196-32-020 Qualifications for designer applicants—Experience and education records. To qualify for examination the law requires a high school diploma or equivalent and four years of experience in the design of on-site wastewater treatment systems of a character satisfactory to the board. The four years of experience must be completed two months prior to the date of the examination. The board shall evaluate all experience, including education, on a case-by-case basis and consider such experience and education as appropriate. The board will use the following criteria in evaluating an applicant's experience record:

Acceptable education experience will be based on transcripts.

(1) Education experience, up to a maximum of two years, may be approved based on the following:

(a) Graduation from a baccalaureate or associate degree program which contains course work in the sciences and technologies of on-site wastewater treatment systems, as provided in RCW 18.210.100.

(b) Completed college level course work without a degree will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

(c) Documented seminars, industry training programs, and other educational or training programs specifically related to the science and technologies of on-site wastewater treatment systems will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

(2) Acceptable work experience shall be four years of broad based, progressive field and office experience in the design of on-site wastewater treatment systems. The applicability of the experience shall be considered by the board based upon the verification provided by the applicant, the level of independent judgments and decisions, and the demonstration of the ability to work within the regulatory structure. This experience must include, but shall not be limited to the following:

(a) Applying state and local health regulations;

(b) Exercising sound judgment when making independent decisions regarding the sciences and technologies of on-site wastewater treatment systems;

(c) Field identification and evaluation of site conditions;

(d) Conducting research and;

(e) Interacting with clients and the public in conformance with chapter 18.210 RCW.

The board may grant partial credit for experience that does not fully meet the requirements in (a) through (e) of this subsection.

(3) Teaching of a character satisfactory to the board may be recognized as experience up to a maximum of one year.

(4) Any work experience gained in a situation which violates the provisions of chapter 18.210 RCW will not be credited towards the experience requirement.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.210.050, 18.210.060. WSR 00-20-017, § 196-32-020, filed 9/25/00, effective 10/26/00.]

WAC 196-32-030 Qualifications for inspector certificate of competency. (1) To qualify for examination the law requires a written request from the local health director or designee. Requests shall be submitted on a form prescribed by the board.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.210.050, 18.210.060. WSR 00-20-017, § 196-32-030, filed 9/25/00, effective 10/26/00.]

WAC 196-32-040 Examinations. (1) To become licensed as an on-site wastewater treatment system designer or to become an inspector certificate of competency holder the candidate must pass the on-site designer licensing examination as established by the board. The examinations are given at times and places designated by the board. The schedule of future examinations and an examination syllabus may be obtained from the board office. An applicant who has taken an examination and failed or who qualified for an examination but did not take it shall request to take or retake the examination at least three months prior to the examination date. A written request accompanied by the applicable fee and/or charge as listed in chapter 196-30 WAC is required to reschedule for an examination.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.210.050, 18.210.060. WSR 00-20-017, § 196-32-040, filed 9/25/00, effective 10/26/00.]

WAC 196-32-050 Comity—Licensing of applicants without examination. (1) Applicants for licensure as an on-site wastewater treatment system designer by comity must meet the following criteria:

(a) The applicant's qualifications meet the requirements of chapter 18.210.180 RCW and this chapter;

(b) The applicant is in good standing with the licensing agency in a state, territory, possession, or foreign country. Good standing shall be defined as a currently valid license in the jurisdiction of original registration or the jurisdiction of most recent practice, if different from the jurisdiction of original registration.

(2) This provision does not apply to those individuals who have obtained a license, certificate or other authorization from a local health jurisdiction.

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