

**1514.0300 ANHYDROUS AMMONIA INSPECTOR CERTIFICATION.**

Subpart 1. **Certification.** An applicant for an anhydrous ammonia inspector certification must be certified by the commissioner if the applicant meets the requirements of subparts 2 to 5 or 8. Upon certification, the commissioner shall issue the certified anhydrous ammonia inspector a certification card. If an applicant fails to pass any stage of the certification process, the applicant must not be certified, but is eligible to restart the certification process from the beginning.

Subp. 2. **Qualifications.** To be eligible to apply to be a certified anhydrous ammonia inspector, an applicant must meet the following requirements:

A. At a minimum, the applicant must have a high school diploma or GED and five years of experience working in at least two of the following areas:

- (1) handling anhydrous ammonia systems;
- (2) inspecting anhydrous ammonia systems;
- (3) maintaining anhydrous ammonia systems; or
- (4) installing anhydrous ammonia systems.

B. An individual seeking certification under this part must apply to the commissioner, on forms approved by the commissioner, to receive an anhydrous ammonia inspector certification and must submit proof of previous experience as specified in item A.

Subp. 3. **Classroom training.** The applicant must attend classroom training as approved by the commissioner. The classroom training must consist of basic safety requirements and a review of all anhydrous ammonia requirements in chapter 1513 and Minnesota Statutes, chapters 18C and 18D. The classroom training must be at least 16 hours in length and must include lectures, demonstrations, course review, and a final written examination.

Subp. 4. **Written exam.** In order to be certified as an anhydrous ammonia inspector, the applicant must pass a written examination required as part of the classroom training under subpart 3.

Subp. 5. **Practical training and skills test.** After completing the classroom training as required under subpart 3, and passing a written examination as required by subpart 4, an applicant must complete a practical training and skills test. The practical training must be at least eight hours in length and must include demonstrations, information on conducting anhydrous ammonia inspections, and inspection policies and procedures. The skills test must require the applicant to demonstrate the applicant's understanding and ability to conduct anhydrous ammonia inspections. An applicant must pass the practical training and skills test in order to complete the certification process.

Subp. 6. **Training partners.** The classroom training, written exam, and practical training and skills test must be offered by the commissioner or through a partner that the commissioner approves, or both. The commissioner is responsible for making available a list of partners to all applicants.

Subp. 7. **Attempts to pass and time limits.** Applicants have an 18-month time period and a total of three attempts to pass both the written examination and the practical training and skills test from the date that the applicant completes the classroom training required under subpart 3. If the applicant is unable to pass the written examination and both the classroom and practical training and skills test within the 18-month time period, the applicant must restart the certification process from the beginning by retaking the classroom training required under subpart 3.

Subp. 8. **Reciprocal certification agreements.** If classroom training, a written examination, or a practical training and skills test is offered by another jurisdiction or organization and is determined by the commissioner to be equal in standards to Minnesota's anhydrous ammonia inspector certification training and examination requirements, the commissioner may waive all or part of the training and examination requirements provided for in subparts 3 to 5. For the purposes of this subpart, the commissioner shall only approve a classroom training program, a written examination, or a practical training and skills test that is offered by another jurisdiction or organization if the classroom training program, written examination, or practical training and skills test meets or exceeds the applicable requirements in subparts 3 to 5.

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