

**7048.0600 CERTIFICATION; FACILITY OPERATORS.**

Subpart 1. **In general.** To be certified an operator must demonstrate the skill, knowledge, and experience necessary to operate the appropriate type of facility by qualifying for and passing the appropriate examination required by part 7048.0900.

Subp. 2. **Type I requirements.** Before taking an examination, an applicant for certification as an operator of a type I facility shall:

A. have a bachelor's degree in an appropriate branch of biological, physical, or chemical science or engineering or equivalent experience;

B. complete at least 15 contact hours of training offered through the agency or other training courses approved by the agency commissioner which are designed to ensure competency at a type I facility within three years prior to the date of application; and

C. have at least six months work experience as a type I facility operator.

Subp. 3. **Type II requirements.** Before taking an examination, an applicant for certification as an operator of a type II facility shall:

A. have a high school diploma or equivalent or equivalent experience;

B. complete at least 15 contact hours of training offered through the agency or other training courses approved by the agency commissioner which are designed to ensure competency at a type II facility within three years prior to the date of application; and

C. have at least six months work experience as a type II facility operator.

Subp. 4. **Type III requirements.** Before taking an examination, an applicant for certification as an operator of a type III facility shall complete at least four contact hours of training offered through the agency or other training courses approved by the agency commissioner which are designed to ensure competency at a type III facility within three years prior to the date of application.

Subp. 5. **Type IV requirements.** Before taking an examination, an applicant for certification as an operator of a type IV facility shall:

A. have a high school diploma or equivalent or equivalent experience;

B. complete at least nine contact hours of training offered through the agency or other training courses approved by the agency commissioner which are designed to ensure competency at a type IV facility within three years prior to the date of application; and

C. have at least six months work experience as a type IV facility operator.

Subp. 6. **Type V requirements.** Before taking an examination, an applicant for certification as an operator of a type V facility shall:

A. within the three years before the date of application, complete at least nine contact hours of training courses offered through the agency or other training courses approved by the agency commissioner which are designed to ensure competency at a type V facility; and

B. have at least one spray season's work experience as a type V facility operator.

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