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Repeal Mec 801 through Mec 807 effective 7-9-23 (Document #13632) as follows:

~~CHAPTER Mec 800 VOLUNTARY WATER TREATMENT CERTIFICATION~~

~~PART Mec 801 GENERAL RULES~~

~~— Mec 801.01 Purpose.~~

~~— (a) The purpose of these rules is to:~~

- ~~(1) Establish procedures and guidelines for the voluntary water treatment certification of water treatment technicians in New Hampshire;~~
- ~~(2) Provide the public with a way of recognizing qualified water treatment technicians;~~
- ~~(3) Provide employers with a formal structure to train employees and test their knowledge and skill level; and~~
- ~~(4) Provide water treatment technicians with the knowledge to perform their tasks safely and efficiently.~~

~~— Mec 801.02 Scope.~~

~~— (a) These rules shall establish voluntary water treatment certification program for the following:~~

- ~~(1) Individuals involved in the installation of residential and non-residential water treatment systems; and~~
- ~~(2) Individuals involved in the servicing and repair of water treatment systems.~~

~~— (b) No person shall hold themselves out as a certified water treatment technician unless the certification was obtained pursuant to these rules.~~

~~— (c) No person less than 18 years of age shall be issued a certificate pursuant to these rules.~~

~~PART Mec 802 DEFINITIONS~~

~~— Mec 802.01 “Water treatment system” means “water treatment system” as defined in RSA 153:27, namely, “any apparatus for treating or processing water to modify, enhance, or improve its quality or to meet a specific water quality need, desire, or standard, and the pipes, fittings, and other components servicing such apparatus.”~~

~~— Mec 802.02 “Water treatment technician” means “water treatment technician” as defined in RSA 153:27, namely, “any person who installs maintains or repairs water treatment systems.”~~

~~— Mec 802.03 “Water treatment trainee” means “water treatment trainee” as defined in RSA 153:27, namely, “any person who engaged in learning about and assisting in installing, maintaining, or repairing water treatment systems under the direct supervision of a water treatment technician certified under this subdivision.”~~

~~PART Mec 803 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR WATER TREATMENT TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION~~

~~Mec 803.01 Eligibility Requirements for Certification as a Water Treatment Technician. The qualification for certification as a water treatment technician shall be:~~

- ~~(a) Successful completion of a water treatment technician educational program described in Mec 805;~~
- ~~(b) Successful completion of the examination as described in Mec 805;~~
- ~~(c) Good character and professional competence as evidence by the documents required by Mec 804.03;~~
- ~~(d) Having:~~
 - ~~(1) Worked as a water treatment technician trainee for at least one year and have taken and passed the examination described in Mec 805;~~
 - ~~(2) Having operated as a water treatment technician for at least one year as a certified water treatment technician in another state; or~~
 - ~~(3) Having operated as a water treatment technician for at least one year prior to January 1, 2024.~~

~~PART Mec 804 APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR WATER TREATMENT CERTIFICATION~~

~~Mec 804.01 Initial Process for Individuals Seeking Initial Certification as a Water Treatment Technician or Water Treatment Trainee.~~

~~(a) Each individual seeking certification as a water treatment technician or water treatment trainee shall so do by submitting the following application and supporting documents:~~

- ~~(1) A completed "Application for Voluntary Certification of Water Treatment Technician or Trainee" revised 9/2022.~~
- ~~(2) The documents specified by Mec 803.03; and~~
- ~~(3) The certification fee specified in Mec 806.~~

~~(b) If the board, after receiving and reviewing the completed application and supporting documents requires further information or documents to determine the applicant's qualification for certification, the board shall:~~

- ~~(1) Notify the applicant in writing within 30 days; and~~
- ~~(2) Specify the information or documents it requires.~~

~~(c) The board shall deny the application if the applicant does not submit the additional information or documents requested under (b) above within 60 days of the request.~~

~~(d) The board shall approve or deny the application within 60 days of the date that the board's office receives the completed application, application fee, supporting documents, and any additional information requested.~~

~~(e) If the board approves the application a certification shall be issued that expires on the last day of the month 2 years from the month of issuance.~~

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~~— (f) If the board denies the application, it shall provide the applicant, in writing, the reason for the denial.~~

~~— (g) The board shall deny an application based misconduct described in Mec 604.01.~~

~~— (h) Any applicant wishing to challenge the board's denial of an application for certification shall:~~

~~(1) Make a written request for a hearing of the applicant's challenge; and~~

~~(2) Submit this request to the board:~~

~~a. Within 60 days of the board's notification of denial; or~~

~~b. If the applicant is on active military duty outside the United States, within 60 days of the applicant's return to the United States or release from duty, whichever occurs later.~~

~~— Mec 804.02 Application Form.~~

~~— (a) The application form shall be the "Application for Voluntary Certification of Water Treatment Technician or Trainee" requiring the following information be provided:~~

~~(1) Whether the application is for an initial or renewal certification;~~

~~(2) If the application is for a renewal of certification the previous certification number;~~

~~(3) The applicants full legal name;~~

~~(4) Social security number required pursuant to RSA 161-B:11;~~

~~(5) The applicant's home mailing address;~~

~~(6) The applicant's home or cell phone number;~~

~~(7) The applicant's date of birth;~~

~~(8) Home e-mail address;~~

~~(9) The applicant's current employer;~~

~~(10) The applicant's current employers mailing address;~~

~~(11) The current employer's phone number;~~

~~(12) The current employer's e-mail address; and~~

~~(13) The applicant's signature, printed full name, and the date of signing below the following preprinted statement:~~

~~"I acknowledge that knowingly making a false statement on this application form is a misdemeanor under RSA 641:3. I certify that the information I have provided on all parts of the application form and in the documents that I have personally submitted to support my application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that I have read the statute and the rules of the Board and promise that, if I am licensed, I will abide by them."~~

~~— (b) The effect of the applicant's signature on the form described in (a) above shall be certification that the information supplied on the form and attached to the form is true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief, subject to the penalty for making false statement under RSA 641:3.~~

~~— Mec 804.03 Required Supporting Material.~~

~~— (a) An applicant for a voluntary water treatment initial certification shall provide the following documents:~~

~~(1) On a separate sheet, a detailed report of the relevant circumstances if any of the answers to the "Yes" no "No" questions on the application listed in Saf Mec 803.02(a) are in the affirmative;~~

~~(2) If the applicant holds a certification or other authorization to practice as a water treatment technician or water treatment trainee in another jurisdiction, and unless the information is available only from a secure internet site operated by the issuing jurisdiction, an official letter sent directly to the board by the issuing jurisdiction, stating:~~

~~a. Whether the certification or other authorization is or was, during its period of validity, in good standing; and~~

~~b. Whether disciplinary action was taken against the certification or other authorization.~~

~~(3) Proof of successful completion of the education program described in Mec 805; and~~

~~(4) Proof of passing the examination at the end of the educational program described in Mec 805.~~

~~— (b) If the applicant is seeking initial certification as a water treatment trainee the individual shall submit a letter from the board certified water treatment technician that will be providing the training.~~

~~— (c) If the applicant is seeking initial certification after having completed the training not less than 2000 hours within one year of certification the water technician trainee shall submit the following:~~

~~(1) A signed and dated letter written on personal or business letterhead by a certified water treatment technician who directly supervised the applicant during the period of their training that includes the following:~~

~~a. The beginning and ending date of the time period(s), not less than 2000 hours completed in one year, during which the applicant was directly supervised by the writer of the letter; and~~

~~b. The opinion of the writer regarding the competence of the applicant to work independently as a certified water treatment technician; and~~

~~(2) Evidence of having taken and successfully passed the examination to become a water treatment technician described in Mec 805.~~

~~— (d) If the applicant is seeking initial certification based on having been a water treatment technician in another state the applicant shall submit the following:~~

~~(1) A letter of good standing from all other states the applicant has ever been licensed or certified as a water treatment technician; and~~

~~(2) A completed "Affidavit for Proof of Appropriate Field Experience" revised 9/2022.~~

~~— (e) If the applicant is seeking certification on the basis of having operated as a water treatment technician for a least one year prior to January 1, 2024 the applicant shall submit a letter signed and dated by the principal in the business(es) during which the applicant worked as a water treatment technician and includes the following:~~

~~(1) The beginning and ending date of the time period(s) during which the applicant worked as a water treatment technician for the principal in the business(es); and~~

~~(2) A statement declaring that for at least one year prior to January 1, 2024 the applicant operated independently as a water treatment technician.~~

~~PART Mec 805 EDUCATION AND EXAMINATION~~

~~— Mec 805.01 Water Treatment Technician Education Program. The education required to be certified by the board of mechanical safety and licensing shall be the on-line Water Quality Association Certified Installer Program.~~

~~— Mec 805.02 Water Treatment Technician Examination. The examination required to be certified by the board of mechanical safety and licensing shall be the successful completion and passing of the examination administered by the Water Quality Association Certified Installer Program at the end of the program.~~

~~PART Mec 806 RENEWALS OF WATER TREATMENT TECHNICIAN~~

~~Mec 806.01 Renewal Application Process for Individuals Seeking Water Treatment Technician Certification.~~

~~— (a) Each individual seeking a renewal certification to as a water treatment technician, shall do so by submitting an application form described in 804.02 and fee describe in Mec 807.~~

~~— (b) If the board, after receiving and reviewing the completed application for renewal, requires further information or documents to determine the applicant's qualification for certification, the board shall:~~

~~(1) So notify the applicant in writing within 30 days; and~~

~~(2) Specify the information or documents it requires.~~

~~— (c) The board shall deny the application if the applicant does not submit the additional information or documents requested under (c) above within 60 days of the request.~~

~~— (d) The board shall approve or deny the application within 60 days of the date that the board's office has received the completed application packet and any information or documents requested under (c) above.~~

~~PART Mec 807 FEES~~

~~— Mec 807.01 Initial Certification Fee.~~

~~— (a) The fee for certification as a water treatment trainee shall be \$30.00;~~

~~— (b) The fee for a 2 year certification as a water treatment technician shall be \$60.00;~~

~~— (c) The fee for renewal of a certificate shall be \$60.00.~~

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~~—(d) The fees shall be non-refundable.~~

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APPENDIX

Rule	Statute Implemented
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Mec 802 (Repeal)	Repealed by 2023, 79:303
Mec 803 (Repeal)	Repealed by 2023, 79:303
Mec 804 (Repeal)	Repealed by 2023, 79:303
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