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Registration Required for Certification

Taking a certification class and exam requires some advance planning and preparation. Not only do you have to apply to the State for the certification exam, but you must also register with the training sponsor for the training class. Due to early registration requirements, you should plan for your training and testing at least one month in advance.

When selecting a class, you can visit www accuratelabs.com to view the **online training calendar** or to **download the PDF training schedule**. Once you have selected a class, you must **register with Accurate Environmental Training Center** to reserve your spot, and to get class information that will be needed for the ODEQ Exam Application. Class **registration can be done online** using the AETC online training calendar, **by phone, or by fax** using the downloadable registration packet from the AETC website. Be sure to register with AETC as soon as possible to reserve a spot in your chosen training session.

Once you have registered for the class of your choosing, you will need to **complete and submit an exam application to the ODEQ at least three weeks before the class you are registering for**. The exam application must be submitted to the ODEQ by **anyone wishing to take a certification exam**. The **ODEQ exam application can be downloaded from the Accurate Labs website**. Instructions for filling out the application and how to submit it are included with the application packet. **Remember that submitting an exam application to the ODEQ does not register you for the training class**. Class registration must be done separately from the exam application.

Your registration process is complete only after you have signed up for your class with AETC and submitted your exam application to the DEQ. Certification exams are offered at the end of all AETC certification classes. If you miss the three week deadline for the DEQ application, you may still attend the scheduled training class, and come back to take your certification exam during one of our open exam sessions at a later date. Open exam sessions are offered every month for anyone who has already met their training requirement and just needs to take, or re-take, an exam.

If you would like more information about **Accurate Environmental Training** services contact **Jeff Clarke** at **(800) 516-LABS** or jeff@accuratelabs.com.

STILLWATER CLASSES

SEPTEMBER

06 Open Exam Session #11440
10 – 12 "D" Water & Wastewater Oper
16 – 19 "A/B" Water Laboratory

OCTOBER

21 – 24 "A/B" Wastewater Laboratory

NOVEMBER

01 Open Exam Session #11442
05 – 07 "D" Water & Wastewater Oper
11 – 14 "A/B" Water Operator
18 – 21 "C" Water Laboratory

DECEMBER

03 – 05 "D" Water & Wastewater Oper
13 Open Exam Session #11443
09 – 10 "C" Wastewater Operator
16 – 19 "C" Wastewater Laboratory

TULSA CLASSES

SEPTEMBER

13 Open Exam Session #11436
18 – 19 "C" Water Operator
24 – 26 "D" Water & Wastewater Oper

OCTOBER

04 Open Exam Session #11437
16 – 17 "C" Wastewater Operator
29 – 31 "D" Water & Wastewater Oper

NOVEMBER

08 Open Exam Session #11438
19 – 21 "D" Water & Wastewater Oper

DECEMBER

06 Open Exam Session #11439
11 – 12 "C" Water Operator
17 – 19 "D" Water & Wastewater Oper

Updates For Treatment Plant Classifications

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality is developing new criteria for determining treatment plant classification based on system complexity. Until recently, plant classification was based on the traditional treatment and filtration methods commonly used in Oklahoma. Over the past several years, other forms of treatment have become more prevalent so that systems may continue to meet more stringent State and Federal regulations. In order to update the process of classifying treatment systems based on complexity, the ODEQ has come up with a point system to help determine appropriate classifications for most systems. One of the major updates has to do with non-traditional treatment systems. There are several newer systems that will require higher certifications than similar sized traditional systems. According to the ODEQ, Membrane Filtration, Ion Exchange, and Electrodialysis systems will require a minimum of a Class "B" certification or a Class "A" certification as a result of population. The recent classification changes only apply to Drinking Water treatment plants, but similar guidelines are being established for wastewater treatment plants, too. If you have questions or concerns about your facility's classification, contact the ODEQ Water Quality Division.

Accurate Environmental is one of the nation's most unique and comprehensive environmental service providers. They not only operate the largest commercial environmental lab in Oklahoma and state-of-the-art operator and laboratory training centers, but also provide laboratory supply sales, field and sampling services with weekly sample pick-up routes, as well as environmental and engineering services.

Accurate Labs is comprised of three full-service laboratories, including our headquarters in Stillwater and two additional labs in Tulsa and Oklahoma City. They provide analytical services for drinking water, wastewater, groundwater, soil, sediment, sludge, and hazardous waste. Accurate Labs is nationally certified through The NELAC Institute, and the only commercial lab in Oklahoma that is fully certified for drinking water analysis.

Accurate Environmental Training Center (AETC) is an award winning training center offering operator and laboratory certification and renewal classes at their classrooms in Stillwater and Tulsa. Using multiple instructors for each class, and various teaching methods, such as pie charts and standard formulas for math, AETC is able to tailor training to meet the needs of each individual student.

Accurate Laboratory Supplies (ALS) is an authorized Hach dealer that can save you valuable time and money on all your laboratory supplies, chemicals, and equipment needs with one simple phone call. ALS even offers FREE DELIVERY to clients along their routine sample pick-up routes.

Accurate Field Services, with a team of well-trained field service technicians, provides field and sampling services throughout the state for drinking water, wastewater, soil, sludge, and hazardous waste. Accurate Field Services also has weekly sample pick-up routes to provide their clients with a fast, economical, and safer way to get samples to Accurate Labs for analysis.

Accurate Engineering Services (AES) provides expert technical assistance related to municipal and industrial water, wastewater, solid wastes and biosolids, industrial pretreatment, and environmental site assessments. AES is here to help your system meet EPA and DEQ rules and regulations, improve operation performance, and reduce operating costs.