CALIFORNIA Water Boards

State Water Resources Control Board

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Treatment Operator Exam Process

Submit a completed Exam Application and Fee

Applications for the May exam must be postmarked by March 1st. Applications for the November exam must be postmarked by September 1st.

DWOCP reviews your application

DWOCP sends a deficiency letter or an approval card

Deficiency Letter

- Supply the requested information needed to complete the application

OR

- Request to take a lower grade exam, if you qualify

OR

- Request to pend your application until you meet the Minimum Qualifications (can be held up to 1 year)

Approval Card Sent

DWOCP sends exam notification letter

You will receive the letter two weeks before the exam. This letter provides the exam location, date, time and exam Grade Level.

Take the Exam

Pass Exam with a minimum of 70%

Grades 1 & 2 - submit the certification request and fee and the certificate is mailed out
Grades 3-5 - must submit the certification application, fee and documentation as noted in section 4 of the certification application

Fail

Re-apply for examination and pay re-exam fee

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