

SUBCHAPTER H: WATER TREATMENT SPECIALISTS
§§30.261, 30.267, 30.270, 30.272, 30.274, 30.279
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§30.261. Purpose and Applicability.

(a) The purpose of this section is to establish qualifications for issuing and renewing licenses to an individual who installs and repairs water treatment equipment.

(b) An individual who installs, repairs, or services water treatment equipment under contract must meet the qualifications of this subchapter and be licensed according to Subchapter A of this chapter (relating to Administration of Occupational Licenses and Registrations).

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§30.267. Definitions.

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

(1) Installation of water treatment appliances--Includes connecting the appliances to all necessary utility connections in residential, commercial, or industrial facilities.

(2) Water treatment--A business conducted under contract that requires the interpretation of analysis of water samples, including the ability to determine how to treat influent or effluent water, alter or purify water, or add or remove a mineral, chemical, or bacteriological content or substance. The term also includes the installation, exchange, connection, maintenance, service, and repair of potable water treatment equipment and appliances in public or private water systems.

(3) Water treatment equipment--Appliances used to alter or purify water or to alter a mineral, or bacteriological content, or substance.

(4) Water treatment specialist--A person who is licensed under this chapter to perform water treatment on a contract basis.

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§30.270. Qualifications for Initial License.

To obtain a license, an individual must have:

(1) met the requirements in Subchapter A of this chapter (relating to Administration of Occupational Licenses and Registrations); and

(2) met the following requirements:

Figure: 30 TAC §30.270(2)

License	Education	Minimum Work Experience	Approved Training
Class 1	None	None	None
Class 2	Less than High School Diploma or GED	3 years	Basic Course
Class 2	High School Diploma or GED	2 years	Basic Course
Class 2	1 year College	1 year	Basic Course
Class 3	High School Diploma or GED	3 years	Basic and Advanced Courses
Class 3	2 years College	2 years	Basic and Advanced Courses
Class 3	College Degree	1 year	Basic and Advanced Courses

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§30.272. Qualifications for License Renewal.

To renew a license, an individual must have:

- (1) met the requirements in Subchapter A of this chapter (relating to Administration of Occupational Licenses and Registrations); and
- (2) completed 12 hours of approved training credits.

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§30.274. Classification of Licenses.

(a) Class 1--Individuals who have been issued this license must work under the supervision of an individual holding a higher class license, a local plumbing inspector, or a health official that has jurisdiction where the work is performed.

(b) Class 1--Work is restricted to the following activities:

- (1) exchange and regeneration of portable tanks;
- (2) regeneration of nonportable tanks; or
- (3) other tasks which may be assigned by the supervisor and for which direct supervision is provided.

(c) Class 2--Individuals who have been issued this license:

(1) shall have demonstrated a practical working knowledge of the mechanics and servicing principles of water conditioners;

(2) are deemed able to perform water treatment installations, exchanges, services, or repairs of equipment;

(3) are considered to be aware of the public health requirements connected with their activities; and

(4) are excluded from working on reverse osmosis and deionization equipment unless the work is performed under the supervision of an individual holding a higher class license.

(d) Class 3--Individuals who have been issued this license meet minimum standards of qualifications established for the installation, exchange, servicing, and repair of water treatment equipment and appliances, including reverse osmosis and

deionization equipment.

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§30.279. Exemptions.

(a) Individuals who are licensed under the Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 1301 are exempt from the requirements of this subchapter.

(b) Employees of industrial facilities who install or service water treatment equipment at their facilities are exempt from the requirements of this subchapter.

(c) Employees of public water systems installing water treatment equipment at their system who hold a Class C license or higher, are exempt from the requirements of this subchapter.

(d) Employees of registered operations companies installing water treatment equipment at the facilities for which the operations company has a contract to operate and who hold a Class C license or higher, are exempt from the requirements of this subchapter.

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