

ABC Examination Equivalency Chart
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This chart provides a list of certification programs that use ABC exams that are considered to be equivalent to ABC's standardized exams. The ABC classification scheme for each exam category starts with a Class I (lowest) to a Class IV (highest). Programs with equivalent exams are listed according to their classification system.

Operators/Analysts should use this chart only to determine if they can apply to ABC for certification without examination (i.e., reciprocity). To apply for certification through reciprocity, you must have passed a certification exam that is listed on the chart with a score of 70% or above and still hold an active certificate which you received when passing that exam. To qualify for certification you will also need to meet ABC's education and experience requirements. Operators/Analysts should **not** use this chart to determine if two other certification programs have equivalent exams. This chart can only be used to determine exam equivalency between ABC and another certification program. To determine if the exam you took to obtain your certification is equivalent to another certification program's exam, please contact the certification program directly to discuss their exam equivalency policies.

	Association of Boards of Certification	Collection				Wastewater Treatment				Industrial Waste				P/C Industrial				Wastewater Lab				
		I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	
AL	Alabama Water & Wastewater Operator Certification Program	I-C				I	II	III	IV													
AK	Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV													
AB	Alberta Environment	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV													
AC	Atlantic Canada Water & Wastewater Voluntary Certification Program	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV													
BC	British Columbia Environmental Operators Certification Program	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV													
CBWM	Caribbean Basin Water Management Programme, Inc	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV													
CO	Colorado Water and Wastewater Facility Operators Certification Board	1	2	3	3	D	C	B	A													
CT	Connecticut Certification of Wastewater Treatment Facility Operators					I	II	III	IV													
CT	Connecticut Wastewater Laboratory Certification Program																		I	II	III	IV
GA	Georgia State Board of Examiners for Certification of Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators & Laboratory Analysts	C					III	II	I											WWL		
GU	Guam Environmental Protection Agency	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV													
HI	Hawaii Board of Certification of Operating Personnel in Wastewater Treatment Facilities					I	II	III	IV													
ID	Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV										I	II	III	IV
IN	Indiana Water Pollution Control Association	I	II	III	IV																	
ITCA	Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.	I	II	III		I	II	III											I			
IA	Iowa Operator Certification Program					1	2	3	4													
IA	Iowa Water Pollution Control Association	I	II	III	IV																	
KS	Kansas Water Environment Association Voluntary Certification Program	I	II	III	IV						I	II	III	IV					I	II	III	IV
KY	Kentucky Water and Wastewater Operator Association, Inc.																		I	II	III	IV
ME	Maine Wastewater Operator Certification Program					1&2	3	4	5													
MB	Manitoba Conservation	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV													

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	Association of Boards of Certification																				
MD	Maryland State Board of Waterworks and Waste Systems Operators	1	2			1	2	3	4&5												
MA	Massachusetts State Board of Certification of Operators of Wastewater Treatment Facilities					1&2	3	4&5	6&7					1	2	3	4				
MS	Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality	I	II																		
MT	Montana Water and Wastewater Operators' Advisory Council					4	3	2	1												
NESHTA	National Environmental, Safety & Health Training Association								INS												
NAWA	Native American Water Association, Inc.	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV									I	II	III	IV
NE	Nebraska Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Certification Program					I	II	III	IV					I	II	III	IV				
NV	Nevada Board of Certification for Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV					I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
NJ	New Jersey Water Supply and Wastewater Operators Board of Examiners	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	I	II	III	IV								
NY	New York Qualifications of Operators of Wastewater Plants					I	II	III	IV												
NY	New York WEA	I	II	III	IV																
NC	North Carolina AWWA & WEA																	I	II	III	IV
OH	Ohio Water Environment Association																	I	II	III	IV
ON	Ontario Water and Wastewater Operator Licensing Program	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV												
OR	Oregon Department of Environmental Quality	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV												
PA	Pennsylvania State Board for Certification of Water and Wastewater System Operators					1*															
SK	Saskatchewan Operator Certification Program	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV												
SC	South Carolina Environmental Certification Board					D	C	B	A					D	C	B	A				
SD	South Dakota Operator Certification Program	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV												
UT	Utah Wastewater Operator Certification Program	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV												
VT	Vermont Wastewater Facility Operator Certification Program					1	2	3	4&5												
WA	Washington Wastewater Operator Certification Program					I	II	III	IV												
WY	Wyoming Operator Certification Program	I	II			I	II	III	IV												

*In order to be equivalent to ABC's Wastewater Treatment Class I exam, an operator in Pennsylvania needs to pass the Part 1 exam and Subclass 1, 2 and 3 modules.