



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
GROUNDWATER PROFESSIONAL
INITIAL CERTIFICATION APPLICATION
Certification Fee - \$200

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0253-542-GP08-0581

Applicant Name

Company Name

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Applicant Name: _____

Home Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Employer Name: _____

Company Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Company Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Public Contact Information: list your preferred public facing contact information for use in DNR UST databases

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

GROUNDWATER PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

One of the following qualifications must be met for certification as a Groundwater Professional. Please indicate with an "x" in the appropriate space(s) below, which qualification you meet. If items 1-6 are marked, please submit a copy of your certification or registration that contains a current expiration date. If item 7 is marked, please submit a detailed resume containing experience, education, and training that shows you meet the minimum requirements.

1. ☐ Certified by the American Institute of Hydrology as a:
☐ Professional Hydrologist ☐ Professional Hydrogeologist
☐ Professional Hydrologist (Groundwater)
2. ☐ Groundwater Professional certified by the Association of Groundwater Scientists and Engineers (division of the National Water Well Association).
3. ☐ Industrial Hygienist certified by the American Board of Industrial Hygiene.
4. ☐ Professional Engineer registered in Iowa (*Attach Application for PE Exemption from Examination Board*)
5. ☐ Professional Geological certified by a national organization
☐ American Institute of Professional Geologists
☐ American Association of Petroleum Geologists
☐ Society of Independent Earth Scientists
6. ☐ License, certification, or registration to practice hydrogeology or groundwater hydrology issued by another state in the United States or by a National Organization, provided that, at a minimum, a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college and five (5) years of related professional experience is required.

Type of License, Certification, or Registration

License, Certification, or Registration Number

State or National Organization

7. ☐ Five (5) years of direct or related experience and training as a Groundwater Professional or in the field of Earth Sciences. A minimum of two (2) years education/training and two (2) years of professional experience are required.

The person must be able to show the professional application of scientific or engineering judgment, initiative, and application of scientific or engineering principles to execute work as a Groundwater Professional. This does not include performance of routine technical activities only, such as, drilling wells, water level measurements, laboratory work, sampling, soil excavation, drawing contour level measurements and maps, or compilation of data into a table. The applicant's experience must include using the results of such routine technical work in determining underlying geology and hydrogeology, movement of groundwater, composition of groundwater, the presence and movement of any contamination, any future impact of contamination, and the design of remediation systems. (Submission of detailed resume required.)

COURSE AND EXAMINATION:

The applicant must first show qualification with the above criteria by completing and submitting this application. Upon approval of the application, the applicant must complete the approved self-study course, and pass the certification examination (except as provided in [Iowa Administrative Code 567-134.6\(4\)a](#)). 12 hours of approved continuing education must be received during each 2-year period after initial certification, along with a renewal application and \$200 renewal fee.

APPLICATION FEE:

A non-refundable, \$200 certification fee must accompany each application. To pay via credit card, please email your completed renewal application, with required supporting documentation to ustcertifications@dnr.iowa.gov, and request to pay with card. To pay via check, please send the completed application, required supporting documentation and fee to:

**UST Professional Certifications
Iowa Department of Natural Resources
6200 Park Ave Ste 200
Des Moines IA 50321**

SIGNATURE CERTIFYING INFORMATION:

I hereby certify that the statements made in this application and supporting documents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any misrepresentation may result in revocation of the certification and civil and criminal penalties. I am submitting this application with all required supporting documentation. I agree to supply my social security number upon request in order to comply with [Iowa Code 252J](#). If my application is approved, I agree to uphold all relevant requirements in Iowa Code and Iowa Administrative Code.

Signature

Date



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM EXAMINATION
FOR
CERTIFICATION AS AN IOWA GROUNDWATER PROFESSIONAL

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Iowa Professional Engineer Registration No.: _____

The following is from [Iowa Code 455B.474.9g](#): “The commission may provide for exemption from the certification requirements of this subsection and rules adopted hereunder for a professional engineer licensed pursuant to [chapter 542B](#), if the person is qualified in the field of geotechnical, hydrological, environmental groundwater, or hydrogeological engineering.”

The following is from [Iowa Administrative Code 567-134.6\(4\)a](#): A professional engineer exempted from groundwater professional certification examination pursuant to Iowa Code section [455B.474\(9\)“q”](#) must meet the continuing education requirements of [567—134.8\(455B\)](#) for the exemption to apply.

APPLICABLE ENGINEERING DEGREES:

An engineering degree in the environmental, civil, hydrogeological and closely related areas may be applicable, if accompanied by direct experience in this field. A transcript of your college credits is requested.

ENGINEERING REGISTRATION CLASSIFICATION:

Iowa registration in agricultural, chemical, civil, hydraulic, mining/mineral, municipal, environmental, geotechnical, or petroleum classifications will be considered if accompanied by direct, well-defined experience in this field.

APPLICABLE EXPERIENCE:

You must have at least two (2) years of direct experience in assessment of leaking underground storage tanks and design of related remediation systems in addition to the applicable degree and registration classification. Documentation in the form of identification of specific projects is required. Include attachments, if additional space is required.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Return completed form to:

Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Underground Storage Tank Section
6200 Park Ave Ste 200
Des Moines IA 50321

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