

Aquatic Facility Operator



Re-certification Application

Please complete this form and submit with your payment of \$99.00 to:

National Recreation and Park Association
Aquatics Programs
22377 Belmont Ridge Road
Ashburn, VA 20148
FAX – 703-858-0794

APPLICATION INFORMATION (please print clearly):

Name (as listed when previously certified): _____

Company/Agency Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Email: _____

Select from the following re-certification options:

- Re-certification Challenge Exam – Please visit our website, www.nrpa.org/afo, for a list of scheduled exam locations. You must sit for the exam at one of the listed locations.

Applications must be postmarked 14 days prior to exam date.

Location: _____ Date: _____

- CEUs – Must be from both Group A and B from the Re-certification Options Page. (Please attach appropriate documentation. Units are subject to the approval of the NRPA AFO Manager.)

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

- Check Enclosed
 Purchase Order # _____ (please enclose a copy of the purchase order)
 Credit Card (circle one)
 Visa Mastercard American Express Discover

Credit Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____

RECERTIFICATION

Your AFO certification is valid for three years. Recertification is necessary as industry, technology and standards may change significantly, and old knowledge must be refreshed. The purpose of the AFO recertification process is to review and retest the AFO's knowledge.

You have three options for recertification:

1. **Option 1:** You may take a challenge exam (50 question). The Challenge test will be administered at locations throughout the country. If you receive a score of 70% or above on the exam will receive recertification.
2. **Option 2:** You may collect 2.0 Continuing Education Units over the three-year term of your certification. The CEUs **MUST** be in the area of aquatic management and operations (see below), and are subject to approval by the NRPA AFO Coordinator. **1 hour of instructional time is equivalent to .1 CEU. The full 2.0 CEU's will equal 20 hours of instructional time.**

Both options 1 and 2 have a \$99.00 renewal fee.

3. **Option 3:** You may also retake the full course and take the exam. We recommend this option, as there have been changes within the industry as well as in the textbook. You will pay the full course registration fee.

AFO RECERTIFICATION--CEU OPTION

Successful completion of this option exempts the AFO from taking the recertification exam. CEUs submitted to renew an AFO certification must fall into one of the following topic groups and must meet the following criteria:

1. A total of 2.0 CEUs are necessary to recertify (2.0 CEUs over the 3-year certified period).
2. Applicant must have a minimum of .5 CEUs from each group (see Group A and B, below).
3. CEUs may be obtained from NRPA or any group offering the Continuing Education Unit (CEU). The NRPA National Aquatic Conference, the NRPA Annual Congress, state recreation conferences, and regional trainings and workshops are examples of places where CEUs in aquatic topics are typically offered. **CEUS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FROM THE CERTIFIED POOL OPERATORS (CPO) COURSE or NSPI courses.**

Group A

Health Department considerations
Circulation
Filtration
Heating and Power
Water Chemistry
Chlorine and chemical types
Sanitation
Breakpoint/Super Chlorination
Pool Water Balance
Stabilization
Water Testing
Chemical Dosages
Pool Problems and Solutions
Alternate Sources of Disinfection
Automation and Control
Design Considerations
Spas, and Special Case pool operation
Peripheral and Deck Equipment
AFT

Group B

Preventative Maintenance
Safety Considerations
Aquatic Facility Leadership/Management
Aquatic Risk Management
Selected topics from the NRPA National Aquatic Management School
Selected topics from the NRPA National Aquatic Conference
Better Beaches Course

Example of CEUs that WILL NOT be accepted:

Swimming techniques, instruction, or coaching
WSI, lifeguarding, CPR
Aquatic Programming
Other non-technical or non-managerial topics
Certified Pool Operator (CPO) course
NSPI course