



Application for Reciprocity Licensure of Maine Water System Operator

A Water Operator must possess the knowledge, skills, ability and judgment to assure safe drinking water. This is measured via examination as well as through reviews of education and experience. Current drinking water operators that hold active licensure in another State may apply for a Maine license through reciprocity.

Maine Water System Operator Requirements

1. **Education:** All applicants must submit satisfactory evidence of graduation from high school or an equivalency certificate.
2. **Examination:** Applicants must pass an examination for the class and discipline for which licensure is sought. Exam results will be accepted to apply to license application for one year after the date of the examination.
3. **Experience:** Work experience in a public water system is defined as that gained in actual performance of operational activities within any public water system. Related experience may include, but is not limited to, wastewater treatment plant operations, pilot studies, design, planning, construction and other related technical disciplines. Education may be substituted for experience. Post high school education in approved areas of engineering, science, or related fields: 60 semester hours or equivalent equals one year of experience.

Licensure Class	Operating Experience Class I System or Higher	Related Experience
Very Small Water System (VSWS)	6 months (VSWS)	1 Year
Class I	1 Year	2 Years
Class II	2 Years	4 Years
Class III	3 Years	6 Years
Class IV	4 Years	8 Years

Operator-in-Training (OIT): Persons with less than the required experience can be granted a license status of Operator-in-Training.

4. **License Fee:** \$95. Make checks or money orders payable to *Treasurer, State of Maine*. Credit Card payments can be made by calling 207-287-2070.

Operator Information

Current License State _____ License/Certification No. _____

License Expiration Date _____

Legal Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Mailing Address _____

Education

School Name	Degree	Date
	☐ HS Diploma/ ☐ GED	

Examination

Attach your official score report.	Score	Date
Very Small Water System		
Treatment Class I		
Treatment Class II		
Treatment Class III		
Treatment Class IV		
Distribution Class I		
Distribution Class II		
Distribution Class III		
Distribution Class IV		

It is understood that there are situations where an operator may no longer have access to their exams. If that is the case, please make a note in the table above and continue with the rest of the application.

Experience

Start Date	End Date	Employer (PWS ID)	Describe job responsibilities including how it relates to water operations

Requested Maine Licensure

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Education

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Examination

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Experience
(If not met, will receive OIT license)

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Fee (\$95)

Treatment

VSWS

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Class I

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Class II

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Class III

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Class IV

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Distribution

VSWS

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Class I

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Class II

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Class III

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Class IV

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I do hereby apply for licensure as a water system operator in the State of Maine under the *Rules Relating to the Licensure of Water System Operators 90-429 Chapter 1*. I understand that the truth and correctness of my statements in this application are material to the issuance of the license for which I am applying. I also understand that any omissions, inaccuracies or failure to make full disclosures may be deemed sufficient reason to suspend or revoke the license.

(Signature)

(Date)

Application can be submitted the following ways:
Electronic submission: DWPLicensing.DHHS@maine.gov
Hard Copy submission: 286 Water Street SHS #11,
Attn: Drinking Water Licensing
Augusta ME 04330