

1 15A NCAC 27 .0801 is amended as published in 29:12 NCR 1485-1486 with changes as follows:

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3 **15A NCAC 27 .0801 REQUIREMENTS**

4 (a) Every certified well contractor is ~~required to~~ shall obtain ~~six~~ two Continuing Education Units (CEU) ~~during the~~
5 ~~renewal period; each year for the first three years of the contractor's certification. {CEU} CEUs shall be earned during the~~
6 renewal period. The renewal period is July 1 through June 30.

7 (b) ~~If a certified well contractor exceeds the annual requirement in any renewal period, a maximum of six CEU may be~~
8 ~~carried forward into the subsequent renewal period.~~

9 (b) If subject to disciplinary action, the certified well contractor shall complete continuing education as required by the
10 Commission per G.S. 87-98.12.

11 (c) Selection of courses and activities ~~which~~ that meet the requirements of Rule .0820 of this Chapter is the
12 responsibility of the certified well contractor.

13 (d) CEU CEUs may be earned as follows:

14 (1) ~~Completion~~ completion of college courses or community college courses;

15 (2) ~~Completion~~ completion of continuing education courses courses, (including, but not limited to
16 including correspondence, televised, videotaped, audiotapes, webinars webinars, and other
17 courses/tutorials) courses/tutorials that provide a completion certificate;

18 (3) ~~Teaching~~ teaching or instructing a course described in Subparagraph (1) or (2) of this Paragraph;

19 (4) ~~Attending~~ attending or making presentations at professional or technical events events, (including but
20 not limited to including seminars, in-house courses, workshops, meetings, conventions, or
21 conferences); conferences; or

22 (5) ~~Authoring~~ authoring published papers, articles, or ~~books; and~~ books.

23 (6) ~~Active participation in professional or technical societies as defined in Rule .0820 of this Chapter.~~

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3 **15A NCAC 27 .0810 APPROVAL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES**

4 (a) Courses ~~must~~ **shall** be preapproved by a representative(s) of the Commission no less than 30 days prior to the course
5 date.

6 (b) Course approvals shall expire June 30 of each certification period for which they have been approved.

7 (c) Representatives of the Commission ~~must~~ **shall** be allowed to attend any approved course for the purpose of auditing
8 without fee or ~~advanced~~ **advance** notice.

9 ~~(d) First Aid, CPR, OSHA Mine Safety, and HAZWOPER Refresher classes may only be approved for CEU credit~~
10 ~~every odd numbered certification period.~~

11 ~~(e)~~ **(d)** The Commission shall approve courses that instruct on well contractor activities and the use of well contractor
12 equipment, products, and materials. To be approved, courses and activities ~~must~~ **shall** **contain a clear purpose and**
13 **objective and** result in the maintenance, improvement, or expansion of skills and knowledge related to the practice of
14 well contractor activities. Additionally, ~~to be approved,~~ requests for approval of courses or activities shall include the
15 following information:

- 16 (1) course or activity content;
- 17 (2) timed agenda for the course;
- 18 (3) all course or activity dates and locations;
- 19 (4) qualifications of instructors (including both education and experience); and
- 20 (5) **sample a sample** of completion certificate or other forms provided by or to be preapproved by the
21 Commission for use in documenting attendance.

22 ~~(f)~~ **(e)** CEU credit shall not be awarded for courses involving **direct** sales of products to course attendees.

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1 15A NCAC 27 .0820 is amended as published in 29:12 NCR 1485-1486 with changes as follows:

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3 **15A NCAC 27 .0820 DETERMINATION OF CREDIT**

4 (a) The Commission has final authority with respect to approval of courses or activities, CEU values, and methods of
5 earning credit. Courses or activities ~~must~~ shall maintain, ~~improve~~ improve, or expand the skills and knowledge related to
6 the practice of well contractor activities in order for a well contractor to receive credit. The Commission shall award the
7 stated hours of credit (CEU) for any ~~acceptable~~ approved and ~~successfully~~ completed course or activity in each of the
8 following categories:

- 9 (1) ~~Credit~~ credit for college or community college courses shall be 45 CEU CEUs for receipt of a passing
10 grade in the course, regardless of the number of credits awarded by the college or community college;
- 11 (2) ~~Credit~~ credit for continuing education courses courses, ~~(including, including~~ but not limited to,
12 ~~correspondence,~~ televised, videotaped, audiotapes, webinars webinars, and other courses/tutorials)
13 courses/tutorials that provide a completion certificate shall be one CEU for each hour of attendance or
14 contact time; attendance;
- 15 (3) ~~Credit~~ credit for published papers, articles articles, and books is 10 CEUs; or
- 16 ~~(4) Credit for active participation in professional and technical societies is limited to two CEU per~~
17 ~~organization. "Active participation" requires that the well contractor attend at least 75 percent of the~~
18 ~~regularly scheduled meetings. CEU credits for this type of activity are not earned until the end of each~~
19 ~~calendar year of membership in the organization. A minimum of three (3) meetings held in a year is~~
20 ~~required to qualify for CEU credit; and~~
- 21 ~~(5) (4)~~ (4) ~~Credit~~ credit for teaching or presenting in ~~Items~~ Subparagraphs (1) and (2) of this Rule are double the
22 stated credits. Credit for teaching or presenting is available only for the first time that a well
23 contractor teaches such a course or makes such a presentation.

24 (b) CEU credit shall not be awarded to an individual certified well contractor for scheduled portions of a program where
25 the individual did not ~~actually~~ attend, was not ~~awake~~ awake, or in which the individual certified well contractor did not
26 personally participate.

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3 **15A NCAC 27 .0840 SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION**

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