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North Carolina Well Contractors Certification Commission

Requirements for Certification Pursuant to Session Law 2025-61

Session Law 2025-61 provides a pathway for licensure recognition in North Carolina for individuals licensed in certain surrounding states. In accordance with this law, the Well Contractors Certification Commission (WCCC) will issue certification to eligible applicants who meet the statutory requirements as well as additional Commission requirements to ensure competency in well construction and compliance with North Carolina's rules and regulations.

Statutory Requirements under Session Law 2025-61

To qualify for certification in North Carolina under Session Law 2025-61, an applicant must first establish residency in North Carolina and then satisfy all of the following conditions:

- Current Licensure: The applicant must hold a current license, certification, or registration in Georgia, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, or West Virginia in the discipline applied for in North Carolina at the same or substantially equivalent practice level, as determined by the WCCC.
- 2. **Licensure Duration:** The applicant must have been licensed, certified, or registered in one or more of the states listed above for at least one year.
- 3. **Examination:** The applicant must have passed any examination required for licensure, certification, or registration in the originating jurisdiction, if applicable.
- 4. **Good Standing:** The applicant must be in good standing in all jurisdictions in which they hold or have ever held licensure, certification, or registration in the relevant profession.
- 5. **No Prior Surrender or Revocation:** The applicant must not have voluntarily surrendered a license or had a license revoked in any jurisdiction as a result of unprofessional conduct.
- 6. **Demonstrated Competency:** The applicant must demonstrate competency through methods determined by the WCCC, which may include meeting education, supervision, or work experience requirements in effect in the originating state at the time of licensure.
- 7. **No Pending Disciplinary Actions:** The applicant must not have any active or pending disciplinary actions in another jurisdiction. If prior disciplinary actions exist, they must be resolved, and corrective action must be verified by the WCCC.
- 8. **No Disqualifying Criminal History:** The applicant must not have a disqualifying criminal history record as defined in G.S. 93B-8.1 and related provisions.
- 9. **Payment of Fees:** The applicant must pay all applicable fees, including those for application processing, license issuance, verification of credentials, and background checks.

Additional Requirements Established by the WCCC

In addition to the requirements outlined in Session Law 2025-61, and as part of the demonstrated competency provision in section 6 above, applicants must also complete the following to obtain certification in North Carolina:

- 1. **Rules and Regulations Course:** All applicants must successfully complete the WCCC's *Rules and Regulations* Course prior to certification.
- 2. **Affidavit of Knowledge:** Applicants must sign an affidavit attesting to completion of the Rules and Regulations Course and acknowledging familiarity with North Carolina well construction rules, including but not limited to 15A NCAC 02C .0100 and .0300, and G.S. 87-97.
- 3. **Proof of Identity:** Applicants must provide two forms of identification, one from each of the following lists:

One form of Identification, such as:

- o Any document issued by the State of North Carolina, a North Carolina county or city, or the federal government.
- o North Carolina vehicle registration card, insurance policy, or title.
- North Carolina voter precinct card.
- o Military orders or other military documents.

One document substantiating residency, such as:

- o Utility bill or cable bill.
- Housing lease or contract, mortgage statement, property tax statement, or income tax statement.
- o Preprinted financial statement.
- School records.
- o Letter from a homeless shelter (where applicable).
- 4. **Field Observation Requirement (Level A Applicants):** Applicants seeking a Level A certification must also pass the required field observation as outlined in (15A NCAC 27 .0910(b)).

Note: Failure to comply with these requirements or providing false information may result in denial, suspension, or revocation of certification pursuant to applicable statutes and rules.