3745-7-07 **Professional operator in training.**

The director may allow an applicant for class A, I, II, or III certification to defer completion of the onsite operating experience requirements for their classification of certificate required by rule 3745-7-06 of the Administrative Code until after successfully passing an examination for certification. Such applicants shall be designated as "professional operators in training" after successfully passing an examination until such time as the onsite operating experience requirements are fulfilled.

(A) Eligibility requirements for examination and designation as a professional operator in training are the same as the prerequisites in rule 3745-7-06 of the Administrative Code, except that the director may waive the onsite operating experience requirement in public water systems, sewerage systems, or treatment works until after the applicant has successfully passed an examination.

(B) A professional operator in training shall complete the operating experience requirement within five years of passing an examination for which the professional operator applied.

(C) Upon successfully completing the actual onsite operating experience requirements of rule 3745-7-06 of the Administrative Code, the applicant shall submit an application to be certified by the director as a professional operator in the classification for which the professional operator applied, subject to verification by the council.

(D) Any person designated as a professional operator in training is not certified and shall not act as a professional operator of record.

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