

**TITLE 35: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
SUBTITLE C: WATER POLLUTION  
CHAPTER I: POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**

**PART 312  
TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR CERTIFICATION**

**Section**

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**Section 312.100      References to Other Sections**

Unless the contrary is clearly indicated, all references to "Parts" or "Sections" are to Ill. Adm. Code, Title 35: Environmental Protection. For example, "Part 309" is 35 Ill. Adm. Code 309, and "Section 309.101" is 35 Ill. Adm. Code 309.101.

**Section 312.101      Prohibition**

No person shall cause or allow the use or operation of any treatment works for which a permit is required by Part 309 unless the operation of such treatment works is under the direct and active field supervision of a person who has been certified by the Agency as being competent to operate the particular type or size of treatment works being used or operated.

**Section 312.102      Classifications**

The Agency shall adopt and promulgate procedures which classify treatment works by type and size. Such classes shall be based on the volume and nature of wastewater influent to the treatment works, and on the complexity of the treatment works. The procedures shall contain corresponding standards defining the class or classes of operators competent to operate a particular type or size of treatment works.

**Section 312.103      Standards for Certification**

The Agency shall not certify any person as being a competent operator unless such person submits adequate proof that he or she is competent to operate the particular class of treatment works for which certification is sought in a manner so as not to cause a violation of the Act or of this Chapter.

**Section 312.104      Procedures**

In addition to the procedures specifically required under this Part 312, the Agency may adopt and promulgate all procedures reasonably necessary to perform its duties and responsibilities under this Part.

**Section 312.105      Appeals**

An applicant for certification may appeal the Agency's decision to the Board in a manner similar to that stated in Section 309.244 above.

**APPENDIX  
REFERENCES TO PREVIOUS RULES**

The following table is provided to aid in referencing old Board rule numbers to section numbers pursuant to codification

Chapter 3: Water Pollution Part XII: Treatment Plant Operator Certification	35 Ill. Admin. Code Part 312
Rule 1201	Section 312.101
Rule 1202	Section 312.102
Rule 1203	Section 312.103
Rule 1204	Section 312.104
Rule 1205	Section 312.105