

(a) The Board shall certify any applicant who meets the requirements of this title and of any applicable rule or regulation adopted under this title.

(b) The Board may issue a temporary certification to any applicant who lacks the experience or the education that is acceptable to the Board for certification, if the applicant:

(1) Applies for certification under § [20-303] 12-303 of this subtitle; and

(2) Complies with any applicable rule or regulation adopted under this title for this purpose.

(c) The Board may issue a limited certification to any uncertified operator or industrial operator who:

(1) On or before July 1, 1982, submits an application to the Board on the form that the Board requires;

(2) Is employed in a waterworks, wastewater works, or industrial wastewater works; and

(3) Complies with any applicable rule or regulation adopted under this title for this purpose.

[20-306] 12-306.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, certification authorizes a waterworks, wastewater works, or industrial wastewater works to employ the certified individual as an operator, industrial operator, or superintendent in an appropriate job classification.

(b) Certification as an operator authorizes the operator to perform tasks assigned by a certified superintendent, if an operator is not prohibited from performing those tasks by the rules and regulations adopted under this title.

(c) The Secretary shall adopt rules and regulations to classify or certify superintendents, operators, and industrial operators to perform certain tasks in waterworks, wastewater works, and industrial wastewater works.

[20-307] 12-307.

The Secretary shall adopt rules and regulations for the term and renewal of certifications.

[20-308] 12-308.

(a) Subject to the hearing provisions of § [20-309] 12-309 of this subtitle, the Board may deny certification, limited