Exam in support of Competency Unit: RABQSA-DW Management Systems for Drinking Water Quality

Exemplar Global (formerly RABQSA International) has developed a Water Quality Management Systems Auditor Certification Scheme, in collaboration with the Department of Health (Victoria), the Department of Energy and Water Supply (Queensland), the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (New South Wales), the Department of Health (Western Australia), the Department of Health (South Australia), the Water Services Association of Australia and the Victorian Water Industry Association. This scheme is national and will have applicability for water quality audits around Australia.

Certification under this scheme with a drinking water grade is mandatory for auditors seeking approval to conduct a regulatory audit in Victoria, in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act 2003, and is a requirement for auditors under some audit schemes in other states and territories (for example NSW, Queensland and South Australia).

The scheme certification requirements are managed by Exemplar Global. To be certified under this scheme, individuals must be able to demonstrate that they currently meet the following education and work experience requirements.

Education

Applicants must hold a degree or diploma recognised in Australia, in the fields of engineering, science or medicine.

Work Experience

Applicants must provide details of at least seven years full time work experience in at least two of the three following areas:

- Experience in the water industry, either employed directly in the water industry or being a consultant to the water industry (as an engineering, laboratory or environmental consultant).
- Experience in establishing, reviewing or running systems for quality management, environmental management, risk management or HACCP.
- Experience in undertaking audits of systems for quality management, environmental management, risk management or HACCP.

Certification Requirements

Applicants will also be required to complete the following four components to achieve auditor certification with a drinking water grade:

- Management Systems Auditing: RABQSA-AU
- Management Systems for Drinking Water Quality: RABQSA-DW
- Personal attributes (PAAS Master exam)
- Audit observed by Skill Examiners

Exemplar Global can provide information on training providers who offer training in Management Systems Auditing. The PAAS Master exam can be undertaken online by contacting Exemplar Global.

Detailed information on the scheme can be found at the following address on the Exemplar Global website: [http://www.exemplarglobal.org](http://www.exemplarglobal.org)
Details for Management Systems for Drinking Water Quality Competency Module

The Management Systems for Drinking Water Quality competency module is being delivered by RMIT Short Courses in Melbourne. The module consists of sitting a 2.5 hour written exam of short answer questions (with 15 minutes reading time).

The exam is based on Chapters 2 and 3 of the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (2004 edition), which can be brought into the exam room, and knowledge of drinking water quality risk management practices in Australia.

The exam delivered by RMIT is a stand alone module. Candidates who may not wish to complete the other components for auditor certification are also welcome to sit this exam.

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Date: 30 July 2014
Time: 2:15 – 5:00 pm
Cost: $150 per applicant
Location: UniSA City East Campus. BJ3-52

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Audit Observed by Skill Examiners

Applicants must also be observed performing a drinking water quality management system audit in the presence of one of the scheme's skill examiners.

This skill examination is not assessed by RMIT. Applicants should make arrangements directly with the skill examiners and water businesses.

Further Information

Please contact Exemplar Global direct, on (02) 4728 4600, or via email to: info@exemplarglobal.org