

**TESTING REQUEST FORM**  
**WELL CONSTRUCTION REGULATIONS CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION**  
**WELL DRILLER/WELL DIGGER / WELL PUMP INSTALLER**

As per the Well Construction Regulations, a person must successfully complete an examination to obtain a Certificate of Qualification as a certified Well Digger, Well Driller, or Well Pump Installer (Class I and Class II). Well Diggers and Well Drillers are also required to successfully complete a field test. Written tests and field tests are administered by the Nova Scotia Groundwater Association (NSGWA).

WELL DIGGER

WELL DRILLER

PUMP INSTALLER

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

County (example: Pictou County): \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Company / Employer Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Work History:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please return completed form to:

Nova Scotia Groundwater Association

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Pictou, Nova Scotia

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**\*\*\*NOTE: All Applicants must meet the certification requirements on Page 2\*\*\***

## PAGE 2 - CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

### Well Digger

As per Section 5(4) of the Well Construction Regulations, to be eligible for a Certificate of Qualification as a Well Digger, a person must meet the following requirements:

- **Have at least 2000 hours of work experience operating excavation equipment.**
- **Provide proof of on-site work experience in constructing at least 3 dug wells while under the supervision of a certified Well Digger.**
- Successfully complete an exam in well digging and demonstrate a working knowledge of the Act, Well Construction Regulations, and any guidelines issued or adopted by the Department that relate to well drilling, all to the satisfaction of the Department.
- Successfully complete a field test to demonstrate practical knowledge of dug well construction to the satisfaction of the Department.
- Be 18 years of age or older.

### Well Driller

As per Section 4(4) of the Well Construction Regulations states, to be eligible for a Certificate of Qualification as a Well Driller, a person must meet the following requirements:

- **Have at least 4000 hours of work experience operating a well drilling machine while under the supervision of a certified Well Driller.**
- Successfully complete an exam in well drilling and demonstrate a working knowledge of the Act, Well Construction Regulations, and any guidelines issued or adopted by the Department that relate to well drilling, all to the satisfaction of the Department.
- Successfully complete a field test to demonstrate practical knowledge of drilled well construction to the satisfaction of the Department.
- Be 18 years of age or older.

### Pump Installer

As per the Well Construction Regulations, to be eligible for a Certificate of Qualification as a Pump Installer, a person must meet the following requirements:

Class I Pump Installer (Section 8(3):

- (a) hold a certificate of qualification for a Class II well pump installer;
- (b) **have at least 1000 hours of general work experience installing single- or multi-phase motor drive water pumps greater than 1½ HP while under the supervision of a Class I well pump installer;**
- (c) successfully complete an exam in theoretical aspects of Class I well pump installation to the satisfaction of the Department.

Class II Well Pump Installer (Section 7(4):

- (a) **have at least 3000 hours of general work experience while under the supervision of Class I well pump installer or a Class II well pump installer;**
- (b) have specific experience in installing at least **20** well pumps while under the supervision of a Class I well pump installer or a Class II well pump installer within the 5 years immediately before they apply for the certificate;
- (c) successfully complete an exam in Class II well pump installation and demonstrate knowledge of the Act, these regulations and any guidelines issued or adopted by the Department that relate to pumping equipment installation, all to the satisfaction of the Department.
- **Exemption: 7(5)** A person who holds a journeyman's certificate of qualification under the *Plumber Trade Regulations* made under the *Apprenticeship and Trades Qualifications Act* and who successfully completed an exam in theoretical aspects of Class II well pump installation may be issued a certificate of qualification as a Class II well pump installer. **If you meet this exemption, please submit relevant document(s) along with your application.**