NC Well Contractors Certification Exam
Reference Materials

The exam will test you on your knowledge of the information in the following references, which were used in the preparation of exam questions:

A. Publications related to the technical aspects of well construction methods, materials and equipment and of characteristics of ground water-bearing formations.

The following publications may be purchased from the NGWA Book Store- by mail from the National Ground Water Association, 601 Dempsey Road, Westerville, Ohio 43081; by phone from the NGWA Book Store at 1-800-551-7379, by Fax # 614/898-7786; or online at www.ngwa.org. (These references may also be available from other bookstores, online vendors or libraries.)

3. The Pump Book, by Bob Pelikan (Levels C & D only)

The following publication may be purchased from the National Fire Protection Association at NFPA.org and may also be available from other vendors and bookstores such as Amazon.com-


B. State Laws and rules applicable to the well contractor certification program and location, construction, repair, alteration, and abandonment of wells.

These references are available online at www.wellcontractors.nc.gov on the “Rules” page.

1. NC General Statute 87-83 through 87-98.14- North Carolina Well Construction Act;
2. NC General Statute Chapter 143B, Article 7, Part 9A- Creation of North Carolina Well Contractors Certification Commission;
3. Title 15A NCAC 27- NC Well Contractor Certification Rules (revised October 1, 2018);
4. Title 15A NCAC 2C .0100- NC Well Construction Standards: Criteria & Standards Applicable to Water Supply and Certain Other Wells (revised September 1, 2019);
5. Title 15A NCAC 2C.0200- NC Well Construction Standards: Criteria & Standards Applicable to Injection Wells (revised September 1, 2019), (Levels A & B only) and;
6. Title 15A NCAC 2C.0300- Permitting & Inspection of Private Drinking Water Wells (revised July 1, 2019).

Additional Notes:
- At the time of the exam you will be required to present your admission ticket and photographic identification of yourself.
- You may bring a basic (non-phone) calculator. All other electronic devices are not allowed into the exam.
- The passing grade for the exam is set at 70%
- You will be mailed the results (Pass/Fail).

If you have any questions concerning the exam process, please contact WCC Staff at (919) 707-5882.