

Septic Installer

Education and Exam Information

1. Navigate to deq.idaho.gov.
2. Select Waste from the drop-down menu.
3. Select Septic and Septage.
4. In the box titled “Resources”:
 - a. Technical Guidance Manual for Individual and Subsurface Sewage Disposal (TGM). It is recommended that every installer has access to an up-to-date copy. You may download a copy from the DEQ website for free OR you can get a physical copy from Central District Health in binder format for \$25.00.
5. Above the Resource box, click on the arrow beside Septic Installer Exam.
6. Under “Septic Installer Exam” you can download the instructions for the test, read the FAQ, and take the test.
 - a. Please note that DEQ requires an account to be set up to take the test. You will be asked for your information (name, address, company name, email, etc.) before you can take the test.
 - b. This is an open book test based on the TGM and IDAPA 58.01.03. Please familiarize yourself with them before you take the test.
7. After the test is completed and passed, please print out the certificate (not the receipt). You may email a copy of the certificate in PDF format to ehapps@cdh.idaho.gov OR bring the printed certificate along with the remainder of the required to our front desk for processing.
8. Once the completed application, test passing certificate, bond and permit fee is received, you will be issued your installers license. The license is valid for 1 calendar year, expiring on December 31 of each year.
9. The license can be renewed at the end of each year by submitting a signed renewal form, continuation bond and permit fee if the license has been continuously active each year.
10. Continuing education is required by DEQ every 3 years and expires December 31 of the third year. You must attend an in-person class when offered or watch a pre-recorded video in our office to receive continuing education credit.

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