

Course Description

Kentucky Erosion Prevention and Sediment Control (KEPSC) Program Inspector Qualification Training and Testing Course

Purpose: This course is designed to assist developers, contractors and governmental agencies in complying with the Kentucky Pollution and Discharge Elimination System (KPDES) General Permit for Construction. The course will provide students with the information necessary to properly inspect construction sites and document inspections required by the permit. Qualification will be established through testing at the completion of the course.

Who is the construction site inspector? Inspectors are responsible for reviewing on-site activities for compliance with permit conditions and applicable regulations. Inspectors should either have day to day operational control of the site including the ability to commit resources (equipment and labor) or should communicate often with those who do. Inspectors must be able to read and understand applicable site plans. Inspectors must have the knowledge to determine the appropriate installation, maintenance, and effectiveness of all Best Management Practices in use. Inspectors are not called upon for engineering decisions regarding design.

Pre-requisite for Attendance: This course is intended for individuals with a firm, basic understanding of the KPDES Stormwater Permit requirements for construction sites and familiarity with the principles of erosion and sediment control. To qualify to attend the training and testing participants must meet one (1) of the following pre-requisites:

- *Complete the KEPSC Introductory Course.* This course is scheduled the day prior to the Qualification Training and Testing Course. See enclosed course description for more information. No documentation is necessary since the Technology Transfer Program will have these records.
- *Attend training provided by other sources.* The KEPSC Steering Committee approves training courses that are at least three hours in length and within the past three years that provide instruction on construction site erosion, sediment and stormwater controls. Currently, qualified courses include those taught by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet the Kentucky Division of Water, the Metropolitan Sewer District, the City of Bowling Green, Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government and the UK Transportation Center. Submit documentation of attendance at time of advanced registration. Appropriate documents include training certificates or workshop attendance rosters.
- *Written Endorsement.* Individuals with extensive experience can be approved for attendance by the current stormwater program manager of any Kentucky municipality subject to Phase I or Phase II KPDES permit requirements. A copy of such letter of endorsement must be faxed or mailed with the registration form.

Instruction: Class work begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 3:30 p.m. Topics include Erosion Prevention and Sediment Control Best Management Practices, Good Housekeeping Best Management Practices, Liabilities for Non-compliance, and Project Closeout. Participants will participate in hands-on classroom activities such as reviewing sample environmental plans and completing inspection forms. Currently, two instructors are qualified to teach this class.

Testing: Only those participants who have completed the entire Inspector Qualification Training Course may be tested and qualified through this Program. Testing will begin at 4:00 p.m. and end no later than

6:00 p.m. The testing process will include 50 questions and will be based upon the course materials. Should the student fail the exam, he/she will be permitted to re-take the exam at another scheduled time. Should a student fail the exam twice, he/she will be required to re-take the entire course and pay the registration fee. Students will be notified of pass/fail within fifteen business days of completion of testing.

Inspector Qualification: The KEPSC website (www.kepsc.org) is being maintained by the Technology Transfer Program. Upon approval of those qualifying as inspectors through this Program, their names, city/county of residence, company name, and qualification number will be posted to the website under the heading “Qualified KPDES Inspectors.” Qualification rests with the individual—not his/her place of employment. Term of qualification is three years; to continue qualification requires proof of eight hours of approved continuing education over the three-year period.

Registration Fee and Process: The fee for the Inspector Qualification course and testing is \$275 and includes materials, lunch, and breaks. If retaking the exam is necessary, there is one free retake that must be scheduled in advance with T2 staff. If an individual fails the second time, it will be necessary to retake the entire course and pay the \$275 registration fee. Individuals may participate in the training and choose not to be tested. However, everyone seeking to be tested and qualified must participate in the full day of training. Fees must be received prior to training and testing, except Kentucky Transportation Cabinet employees; Cabinet District Employees must register through their District Training Coordinators. Transportation Cabinet Central Office Personnel must have the approval of their Division Directors. All others may register online at www.kyt2.com, by telephone at 1-800-432-0719, or by fax at 859-257-1061. The registration form and payment can also be mailed to the address on the registration form.

Class Size: The class is limited to 40 individuals per site. The class will be cancelled if less than 15 are enrolled 48 hours in advance of the course. A waitlist will be maintained and additional courses added as needed. If there are any changes, the registered individual will be contacted immediately so adjustments can be made. *Do not show up for training without preregistering!* You will not be admitted if the class size is at capacity

Confirmation/Cancellation: An invoice/receipt will be sent to each participant upon receipt of the registration. A confirmation letter and directions will be mailed two weeks prior to the course. If registered and cannot attend, T2 must be notified at least three business days prior to the workshop. If T2 does not receive this advance notice, the participant will be charged the entire registration fee. Note that course dates and locations are subject to change. If there are any changes, the registered participant will be contacted immediately so adjustments can be made.

Locations: The class will be held in various locations throughout the state. See the attached registration form for currently scheduled locations.

Information: Contact the T2 Program at the University of Kentucky at 800-432-0719.

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