

255 CMR: BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF SANITARIANS

255 CMR 2.00: PURPOSE, AUTHORITY AND DEFINITIONS

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2.01: Purpose

The purpose of 255 CMR 2.00 is to clarify professional standards and requirements for obtaining a certificate as a Registered Sanitarian, and other provisions of M.G.L. c. 112, §§ 87LL through 87OO relating to registration of sanitarians within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

2.02: Authority

255 CMR 2.00 is adopted under the authority granted by M.G.L. c. 13, § 52 and c. 112, §§ 87LL through 87OO. The Board of Registration of Sanitarians was established by M.G.L. c. 13, §§ 51 through 53.

2.03: Definitions

Approved School of Public Health/Environmental Health shall mean any school which grants a bachelor's degree or master's degree in sanitary science, public health, or environmental health, and which is accredited by the United States Office of Education, or any other educational institution approved by the Board.

Basic Sciences shall mean sciences basic to sanitation, namely, biological, physical, environmental, sanitary or related sciences, as determined by the Board. Courses in environmental health, environmental protection or public health fields may be approved by the Board. The Board may, in its discretion, require an applicant for registration to submit a syllabus explaining course content.

Board shall mean the Board of Registration of Sanitarians as defined by M.G.L. c. 13, § 51.

Contact Hour shall mean the unit of measurement of organized learning experience lasting 50 consecutive minutes.

Continuing Education Unit shall mean ten contact hours earned in continuing education courses, seminars, workshops and college courses. Ten contact hours equals one continuing education unit.

Recognized Entity shall mean an educational institution or professional organization recognized by the Board which offers continuing education programs pertinent to the duties, functions and responsibilities of professional sanitarians. Such entities include, but are not necessarily limited to: colleges; universities; national and international institutes; federal, state and municipal agencies; public health organizations; and other professional associations and organizations which offer such continuing education programs.

Registered Sanitarian shall mean an individual who has received a certificate of registration from the Board attesting that he or she has met the educational, experience and examination requirements established by the Board and is qualified to practice as a Sanitarian, carry out public health inspectional and administrative duties, and enforce the laws in the fields of environmental sanitation and public health.

Sanitarian shall mean an individual with broad basic education and experience in the physical, biological and social sciences, supplemented by specialization in the fields of sanitary sciences and technology, public health or environmental health and who is qualified to carry out instructional and inspectional duties and enforce the laws in the field of environmental sanitation and public health.

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Year of Experience shall mean actual performance of work in public or environmental health on a full-time basis for one year. Credit may be given for part-time work where the proportion of full-time work and the duration of the part-time work are adequately documented so that accurate equivalency may be determined.

REGULATORY AUTHORITY

255 CMR 2.00: M.G.L. c. 13, § 52; c. 112, §§ 87LL through 87OO.