

**WASHINGTON STATE
BACKFLOW ASSEMBLY TESTER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM**

**PROCEDURE TO SUBSTITUTE EXPERIENCE FOR
REQUIRED EDUCATION**

WAC 246-292-060 requires applicants for a BAT certification examination to have at least twelve years of education to be determined as follows:

- High school diploma or GED®
- One year of water-related experience may substitute for each year of education through twelfth grade

Water-related experience means experience:

- Operating a water treatment plant or distribution system
- Working in water quality, water resources, or water infrastructure in a federal, state, county, local, or other governmental agency
- Working in industrial water
- Working in wastewater treatment
- Working as a consulting engineer or operations consultant in water quality, water resources, or water infrastructure

To request an evaluation of water-related experience or backflow certification to substitute for years of education you must submit:

- Completed *Substitution for Education Request* form
- Transcript verifying the full years of education you have completed (attach to *Substitution for Education Request* form)

Mail the completed forms and required documentation to:

Washington Certification Services
1221 D Street N. E.
Auburn, WA 98002

For more information contact Washington Certification Services at 253-288-3357.

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SUBSTITUTION FOR EDUCATION REQUEST

Complete all applicable sections of this form to request an evaluation of experience that may be substituted for years of education you are lacking. You may duplicate this form or request additional copies from Washington Certification Services. Incomplete requests will be returned to the applicant.

Applicant Information

Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Years of Education Completed _____ (Attach required transcript)

I certify that the information provided on this form is true and accurate.

Applicant Signature _____

Backflow certification may substitute year for year for the minimum education required. To request an evaluation of your time currently or previously holding a valid backflow certification you must submit a form for each program in which you were certified. Leave this section blank if you have never been certified as a backflow assembly tester.

Backflow Certification Program Information

Certification Program Name _____

Program Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Program Phone _____

Program Contact _____

I am currently certified. Current certification number _____

I was previously certified. Previous certification number _____

Verification of Backflow Certification Dates & Assemblies Tested

	Start Date	End Date	Number of Assemblies Tested Per Year
Current Certification		N/A	
Previous Certification			

To request an evaluation of your water-related experience you must complete the information below. If your experience is with more than one employer you must submit a separate form for each employer. Leave this section blank if you do not have any water-related experience.

<u>Employer Information</u>		
Employer	_____	
Employer's Address	_____	
	City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Employer's Phone	_____	
Supervisor's Title	_____	
Your Position/Title	_____	

Verification of Years of Experience		
	Month	Year
Hire Date		
Finish Date		

Describe your specific waterworks related duties. Calculate the percentage of time spent performing each of those duties and the average hours spent on each per day.

Water-Related Duties	% of Time	Hours Per Day