



SASKATCHEWAN APPLIED SCIENCE TECHNOLOGISTS AND TECHNICIANS (SASTT)

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SASTT Members as Qualified Persons in the Saskatchewan Environmental Code

On June 1, 2015 the Saskatchewan Environmental Code (code) came into force including the requirements for Qualified Persons.

Why Qualified Persons?

Public safety and environmental sustainability is based on having appropriate “qualified” persons responsible for delivering environmental and resource management protection and related services. Under the results-based regulatory model, the Ministry of Environment focuses on setting regulations that establish required environmental outcomes while relying on the regulated community to be accountable for achieving those outcomes. Qualified persons are used in determining how the regulated community can meet those outcomes.

The use of qualified persons helps streamline low- to medium-risk activities and leads to enhanced environmental and resource management protection through:

- improved environmental submissions and reports in all areas;
- improved compliance with code; and
- effective use of innovation and alternatives.

Am I a Qualified Person?

To understand if you are a qualified person, you must first consult each individual chapter in the code. The individual code chapters define who the qualified person is for a specific activity.

Code chapters and further information on qualified persons is available on the Ministry of Environment’s website at <http://www.environment.gov.sk.ca/> under Environmental Code.

SASTT members are described in the code in the following three ways:

1) as an applied science technologist or certified technician

When carrying out activities under the code that require an applied science technologist or certified technician (Table 1) members do not need to have their experience reviewed by SASTT or be designated by the Minister of Environment. By being listed in the code chapter those members are classified as qualified persons and no further review is required.

2) as an applied science technologist with 8 years of experience in the area of work to be performed

When carrying out activities under the code that require an applied science technologist with 8 years of experience in the area of work to be performed (Table 2) members will need to submit their experience to SASTT to be reviewed and approved prior to carrying out these activities.

Kindly complete the “Application to be Designated as a Qualified Person”, attach a Curriculum Vitae, and submit to SASTT, 363 Park Street, Regina, SK S4N 5B2.

3) an individual designated by the minister

When carrying out activities under the code where SASTT members are not listed the Ministry of Environment can designate an individual to be a qualified person. Individuals may submit an application and their qualifications to the on-line at: <https://envonline.gov.sk.ca/login/>

Qualified person must also ensure they are practising in their areas of competence.

Exclusive Scope of Practice

Some of the classes of persons identified in the code as qualified persons are members of associations with scope of practice legislation. This legislation defines the procedures, actions and processes that are permitted for the licensed individual. The scope of practice is limited to that which the law allows for specific education and experience, and specific demonstrated competency.

The identification of a person as a qualified person does not entitle that person to engage in an activity if that activity is within the exclusive scope of practice of a profession and that person is not a member of that profession. Therefore, persons should not assume that since they are members of a class of persons referenced in the code that they can carry out activities that are within the exclusive scope of practice of a profession. Qualified persons should check with the provincial professional association to determine if the activity they will be carrying out falls within their scope of practice.

Table 1: Applied Science Technologist and Certified Technician

Chapter	Activity	Class of Qualified Person
Corrective Action Plan	for the purposes of certifying the quality assurance and quality control sampling and analytical procedures	a person who is an applied science technologist or certified technician pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i>
Hydrostatic Testing	for the purposes of certifying the quality assurance and quality control sampling and analytical procedures	a person who is an applied science technologist pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i>
Sewage Main	for the purposes of certifying the monitoring and commissioning requirements	a person who is an applied science technologist or certified technician pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i>
	for the purposes of certifying the quality assurance and quality control sampling and analytical procedures	a person who is an applied science technologist or certified technician pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i>
Site Assessment	for the purposes of completing a visual site assessment	a person who is an applied science technologist or certified technician pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i>
	for the purposes of certifying the quality assurance and quality control sampling and analytical procedures	a person who is an applied science technologist or certified technician pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i>
Water Main	for the purposes of certifying the monitoring and commissioning requirements	a person who is an applied science technologist or certified technician pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i> ;
	for the purposes of certifying the quality assurance and quality control sampling and analytical procedures	a person who is an applied science technologist or certified technician pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i> ;

Table 2: Applied Science Technologist with 8 years of Experience

Chapter	Activity	Class of Qualified Person
Corrective Action Plan	certifying a tier 1 endpoint corrective action plan	a person who is an applied science technologist pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i> and who has 8 years of experience in developing tier 1 endpoint corrective action plans that is recognized by the Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians
	certifying a tier 2 endpoint corrective action plan	a person who is an applied science technologist pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i> and who has 8 years of experience in developing tier 2 endpoint corrective action plans that is recognized by the Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians
Hydrostatic Testing	certifying an environmental protection plan	a person who is an applied science technologist pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i> who has 8 years of experience in hydrostatic testing that is recognized by the Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians
Sewage Main	certifying a sewage main design plan	a person who is an applied science technologist pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i> and who has 8 years of experience in the area of work to be performed that is recognized by the Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians
Site Assessment	certifying an environmental protection plan	a person who is an applied science technologist pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i> and who has 8 years of experience in site assessment that is recognized by the Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians
Water Main	certifying a water main design plan	a person who is an applied science technologist pursuant to <i>The Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians Act</i> and who has 8 years of experience in the area of work to be performed that is recognized by the Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians

SECTION D. References

Please submit the names and addresses of at least two professional references who can attest to the work experience, qualifications, discipline or occupation related to the activity in which you are applying to become a Qualified Person.

1. _____
Name Professional Designation (if applicable)

Company Job Title

Company Address

(_____) _____
Daytime Phone Email Address

2. _____
Name Professional Designation (if applicable)

Company Job Title

Company Address

(_____) _____
Daytime Phone Email Address

SECTION E. Qualifications

Academic Qualifications

Name and location of post-secondary education institution(s) attended (university, college, private career college, other)	Dates Attended		Title of degree, diploma, certificate (copies must be submitted)
	From	To	

SECTION F. Declaration and Authorization

1. I declare that I have not been disciplined or had a licence restriction in the past by any professional licensing body or association, either as an individual or as a corporate officer, nor, to the best of my knowledge, is there an investigation, disciplinary action or licence restriction currently pending against me, either as an individual or as a corporate officer.
2. I declare that I have the skills and competencies required for the purposes as described in Section A.
3. I am aware that this application, and any additional information submitted, is deemed to be public information, unless otherwise prescribed.
4. I am aware that the identification of a person as a qualified person does not entitle that person to engage in an activity if that activity is within the exclusive scope of practice of a profession and that person is not a member of that profession.
5. I consent to an authorized representative of the Saskatchewan Applied Science Technologists and Technicians (SASTT) verifying the information included in this application including contacting my references to verify that the information provided herein is true and correct.
6. I solemnly declare that the statements made and the information provided in this application are true and correct. I acknowledge that any false statement or false information on this form or relating to any document in support of this application, including concealment of any material fact, may be found to be contrary to *The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010* or *The Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Act* and could result in:
 - a) prosecution
 - b) imposition of an administrative penalty;
 - c) a complaint to the SASTT Investigation / Discipline Committee(s);
 - d) denial or revocation of my professional designation.

Signature

Date

NOTE: *If you are unable to sign declaration Section F, Number 1 above please enclose an explanation in a sealed envelope marked "confidential".*