

TITLE 18. ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

CHAPTER 14. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY - PERMIT AND COMPLIANCE FEES

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- A. Definition terms from A.A.C. R18-5-101 apply to this Article.
- B. The Department shall assess and collect a flat rate fee for a certification or renewal under the operator certification program.
- C. A person shall submit the applicable fee when requesting a certification or renewal under 18 A.A.C. 5, Article 1, as described below:
 - 1. An applicant that seeks new certification shall submit a ~~\$65~~ ~~\$87~~ fee, adjusted annually under subsection (D), per certification.
 - 2. An operator that has not held a lower grade level for the required amount of time requests the Department's determination on experience and education in order to be admitted to a higher grade certification examination shall submit a fee of ~~\$150~~ ~~\$201~~, adjusted annually under subsection (D), per application.
 - 3. An applicant that requests a certificate based on reciprocity with another jurisdiction shall submit a fee of ~~\$250~~ ~~\$334~~, adjusted annually under subsection (D), per application.
 - 4. An operator submitting a certificate renewal shall submit a ~~\$150~~ ~~\$201~~, adjusted annually under subsection (D), fee for each certificate. If the operator has multiple certificates, the first certificate is ~~\$150~~ ~~\$201~~, adjusted annually under subsection (D), and each additional certificate with the same expiration date is ~~\$50~~ ~~\$67~~, adjusted annually under subsection (D).
- D. The Director shall adjust the certification or renewal fees listed in subsection (C) every [MONTH DAY], to the nearest \$10, beginning [MONTH DAY RULE IS EFFECTIVE], 2023, by multiplying the certification or renewal fee by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recent year, and then dividing by the CPI for the year 2023. The CPI for any year is the average of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ, [all items](#) published by the United States Department of Labor, as of the close of the 12-month period ending on [MONTH DAY] of that year.