



Hazardous Waste Update # 7

Hazardous Waste Transport Licence Application Test Instructions

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WHO MUST TAKE THIS TEST?

One representative of the company (an employee) that has applied for the transport licence can write the test. The test writer must be involved in the **daily operations of the business**, and be familiar with the federal *Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act and Regulations*.

WHEN CAN THE TEST BE TAKEN?

The test can be taken **after** the Hazardous Waste Transport Licence Application form has been received by the ministry. The individual writing the test must study the Legislation Guide. Arrangements can then be made to take the test by contacting the Victoria ministry office at (250) 356-5834.

WHERE CAN THE TEST BE WRITTEN?

The Victoria ministry office will advise as to the appropriate regional office or liaison office to contact.

WHICH TEST DO YOU TAKE?

The test to take is determined by the waste types that have been indicated on the application form. There are five tests. Four of the tests are for applicants who want to transport a single waste type; asbestos; batteries, petroleum products or biomedical. The fifth test is a general test, for applicants who want a licence to carry more than one waste or who want to carry a waste other than the four single commodities.

Please note that TDG training is not sufficient for these tests. The person taking the test must be familiar with the *Hazardous Waste Legislation Guide*, specifically all sections dealing with defining hazardous waste, manifesting and information in the tables found in the Guide.

WHAT TO STUDY?

The questions are multiple choice and have been derived from the *Hazardous Waste Legislation Guide*. Statements have been extracted from the guide and a number of choices applied. The following material,

which has been included in the Hazardous Waste Application Package, should be studied and brought to the test. Note that the Legislation Guide is the main source of information.

1. [Environmental Management Act](#), SBC 2003 Chap. 53;
2. [Hazardous Waste Regulation](#), BC Reg. 63/88; including amendments up to BC Reg 261/2006;
3. [BC Environment Hazardous Waste Legislation Guide](#) (ISBN 0-7726-5378-X)

HOW LONG IS THE TEST?

The tests are approximately 2 hours. This is an **Open-Book Test**. Please take your time and read the questions carefully. Additional time may be given if requested. Please do not take anything other than the Application Package materials into the test room. Cell phones are not necessary for the test.

HOW WILL I KNOW MY TEST RESULTS?

The passing grade is 70% for the general test and 80% for each of the single commodity tests. The answer sheet is faxed to the Victoria ministry office for marking. The results are reported by telephone, usually the same day. If the first test is failed, a second test can be written. If the second test is failed there is a waiting period before another test can be written. Arrangements to take the test in another mode other than written can be made. Please contact the Victoria ministry office with special requests.

If the employee who wrote and passed the test leaves the company, the company must ensure that another employee writes and passes the test as soon as possible.

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