

**STANDARDS PRESENTATION  
TO  
CALIFORNIA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH**

TITLE 8, DIVISION 1, Subchapter 7

Subchapter 7. General Industry Safety  
Orders Group 13. Cranes and Other  
Hoisting Equipment Article 98. Operating  
Rules

§5006.1. Mobile Crane and Tower Crane -- Operator Qualifications and Certification  
(Applicable to Cranes in General Industry Only).

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(c) Accredited Certifying Entity. The crane operator testing organization providing the certification shall be accredited by an approved nationally recognized accrediting agency. The certification shall be based on that the accrediting agency's determination that industry-recognized criteria for written testing materials, practical examinations, test administration, grading, facilities/equipment, and personnel have been met. For purposes of this section, crane types shall correspond with the standards referenced in section 4884.

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(d) Re-certification. Crane operators shall re-certify every five (5) years and shall be required to meet all of the qualifications set forth in subsection (a).

(1) Operators with shall not be required to take the "hands-on" examination specified in subsection (a)(4) to re-certify when they have met the following requirements:

(A) Completed at least one-thousand (1,000) hours of documented experience operating the specific type of crane for which re-certification is sought as covered by this section during the immediately preceding certification period; and ~~the~~

(B) Meet the physical examination, substance abuse, and written examination requirements set forth in subsections (a)(1), (a)(2) and (a)(3) of this section; and

(C) Are shall not be required by an Accredited Certifying Entity to take the "hands-on" examination if necessitated by reports of accidents, safety concerns or retraining requirements from employers or other parties specified in subsection (a)(4) to recertify.

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§5006.2. Operator Training, Certification, and Evaluation for Cranes and Derricks in Construction.

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(c) Operator certification and licensing. The employer shall ensure that each operator is certified or licensed to operate the equipment in accordance with subsection (d) Option 1, or (e) Option 2 as follows.

(1) Whenever operator certification or licensure is required under this section, the employer shall provide the certification or licensure at no cost to employees. For purposes of this section, crane types shall correspond with the standards referenced in section 4884.

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(d)(3) Re-certification. Crane operators shall re-certify every five (5) years and shall be required to meet all of the qualifications set forth in subsection (d)(1).

(A) Operators ~~with~~ shall not be required to take the "hands-on" examination specified in subsection (g)(4) to re-certify when they have met the following requirements:

(i) Completed at least one-thousand (1,000) hours of documented experience operating the specific type of crane for which re-certification is sought as covered by this section during the immediately preceding certification period; ~~and who~~

(ii) Meet the physical examination, substance abuse, and written examination requirements set forth in subsection (g)(1)-(g)(3); and

(iii) Are ~~shall not be required~~ by an Accredited Certifying Entity to take the "hands-on" examination if necessitated by reports of accidents, safety concerns or retraining requirements from employers or other parties specified in subsection (g)(4) to re-certify.