**Section 681.505 Application**

a) Any individual who seeks to obtain a Certificate of Competency must file an application on forms prescribed by the Agency. All applications must be in English and must contain:

1) a statement specifying the class of certification sought by the applicant;

2) statements showing the applicant's level of education and experience;

A) The applicant must specify the number of hours per week, and the number of weeks, he or she has operated the following at a drinking water treatment plant: coagulation, lime softening, ultraviolet disinfection, membrane filtration, sedimentation, filtration, aeration and filtration, ion exchange, chemical feeding and calculation of dosage, pumpage, storage and distribution.

B) For college-credit educational endeavors, the applicant must submit his or her college transcript.

C) For non-college-credit educational endeavors, the applicant must submit the name of the drinking water course work or other training, the provider that offered the drinking water course work or other training, and proof of completion of drinking water course work or other training;

3) at least three references;

4) evidence that the applicant has a valid passing score on the water supply operator examination, including but not limited to test dates and scores;

5) the signature of the applicant; and

6) the $30 fee required by Section 681.110.

b) Information required in an application must be complete and accurate.

c) Falsification of any information in the application will result in denial of the application and be grounds for sanctions of current certificates held by the applicant.

d) Applications must be submitted to the Agency at the following address:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Drinking Water Compliance Assurance Section #19

1021 North Grand Avenue East

P.O. Box 19276

Springfield IL 62794-9276

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