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§ 3340.28. Licenses and Qualifications for Technicians.

(a) There are the following technician licenses in the Smog Check Program:

(1) The Intern Technician license which allows an individual, under the direction of a supervising licensed Smog Check technician, to perform repairs or adjustments to the emissions control systems on failed vehicles subject to the Smog Check Program at smog check stations in all areas of the state. The Intern Technician license expires in two years, is nonrenewable and shall be issued to an individual only once.

(2) The Basic Area Technician license which allows an individual to inspect, diagnose, adjust, repair and certify the emissions control systems on vehicles subject to the Smog Check Program at smog check stations in areas of the state designated as basic vehicle inspection and maintenance program areas. The Basic Area Technician license expires pursuant to the requirements in subsection (e) of section 3340.29 of this Article.

(3) The Advanced Emission Specialist Technician license which allows an individual to inspect, diagnose, adjust, repair and certify the emissions control systems on vehicles subject to the smog check program at smog check stations in all areas of the state. The Advanced Emission Specialist Technician license expires pursuant to the requirements in subsection (e) of section 3340.29 of this Article.

(b) The qualifications to take an examination for technician licenses are as follows:

(1) The Intern Technician license does not require an examination. To qualify for the Intern Technician license, the applicant must provide satisfactory evidence of successful completion within the last two years of the bureau's Clean Air Car Course. The qualification to take the Clean Air Car Course is one year of automotive experience or equivalent automotive training courses in the engine performance area as determined by the bureau certified course instructor.

(2) The Basic Area Technician license requires an examination. The qualifications to take the examination for the Basic Area Technician license are:

(A) The applicant must provide satisfactory evidence of:

1. Possession of a valid and unexpired Intern Technician License and one year of experience as a licensed Intern Technician; or

2. Possession of an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree or higher in Automotive Technology from a state accredited or recognized college, public school, or trade school, and the successful completion within the last two years of the bureau's Clean Air Car Course; or

3. Possession of a certificate in automotive technology from a state accredited or recognized college, public school, or trade school with a minimum of 360 hours course-work in the engine performance area, and the successful completion within the last two years of the bureau's Clean Air Car Course; or

4. Possession of a valid and unexpired Basic Area or Advanced Emission Specialist smog check technician's license; or

5. Successful completion within the last two years of the bureau's Clean Air Car Course. The qualifications to take the Clean Air Car Course (for those not possessing a degree or certificate as provided in paragraphs (2)(A)2. and (2)(A)3. of this subsection) are one year of automotive experience or equivalent automotive training courses in the engine performance area, as determined by the bureau certified course instructor.

(B)

1. The applicant must provide satisfactory evidence of unexpired certification, which may be from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence, in the categories of Electrical/Electronic Systems (A6), Engine Performance (A8), and Advanced Engine Performance Specialist (L1), or

2. The applicant must provide satisfactory evidence of completion of a training program approved by the bureau as meeting the requirements of section 44045.6 of the Health and Safety Code. The training program must have been completed within the last five years.

(C) An applicant for an initial license or renewal of a license must provide satisfactory evidence of successful completion of bureau certified update training courses. Update training courses provide training on new automotive technology that affects emission testing and/or repairs. Update training need not exceed 20 hours. Technicians may take a challenge test in lieu of taking the course, at the bureau's discretion. Technicians who elect to take the challenge test shall take it at a bureau certified training institution that is certified to provide that update training course. Information regarding update training courses will be available through a bureau toll free telephone number, published in the technician license renewal notice.

(3) The Advanced Emission Specialist Technician license requires an examination. The qualifications to take the examination for the Advanced Emission Specialist Technician license are:

(A) The applicant must provide satisfactory evidence of:

1. Successful completion within the last two years of the bureau's Advanced Clean Air Car Course, possession of a valid and unexpired Intern Technician license, and one year of experience as a licensed Intern Technician; or

2. Successful completion within the last two years of the bureau's Clean Air Car Course and Advanced Clean Air Car Course and possession of an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree or higher in Automotive Technology from a state accredited or recognized college, public school, or trade school; or

3. Successful completion within the last two years of the bureau's Clean Air Car Course and Advanced Clean Air Car Course and possession of a certificate in automotive technology from a state accredited or recognized college, public school, or trade school with a minimum of 360 hours course-work in the engine performance area; or

4. Possession of a valid and unexpired Basic Area Technician License, and successful completion of the Advanced Clean Air Car Course within the last two years; or

5. Possession of a valid and unexpired Advanced Emission Specialist Technician License; or

6. Successful completion within the last two years of the bureau's Clean Air Car Course and Advanced Clean Air Car Courses. An applicant not possessing a degree or certificate as provided in paragraphs (3)(A)2. and (3)(A)3. of this subsection may qualify to take the Clean Air Car Course by demonstrating one year of automotive experience or equivalent automotive training courses in the engine performance area, as determined by a bureau certified instructor. The applicant may qualify to take the Advanced Clean Air Car Course by successful completion of the Clean Air Car Course within the last two years.

(B)

1. The applicant must provide satisfactory evidence of unexpired certification, which may be from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence, in the categories of Electrical/Electronic Systems (A6), Engine Performance (A8) and Advanced Engine Performance Specialist (L1), or

2. The applicant must provide satisfactory evidence of completion of a training program approved by the bureau as meeting the requirements of section 44045.6 of the Health and Safety Code. The training program must have been completed within the last five years.

(C) An applicant for an initial license or renewal of a license must provide satisfactory evidence of successful completion of bureau certified update training courses. Update training courses provide training on new automotive technology that affects emission testing and/or repairs. Update training need not exceed 20 hours. Technicians may take a challenge test in lieu of taking the course, at the bureau's discretion. Technicians who elect to take the challenge test shall take it at a bureau certified training institution that is certified to provide that update training course. Information regarding update training courses will be available through a bureau toll free telephone number, published in the technician license renewal notice.

(4) An optional endorsement to test and repair vehicles powered by gaseous fuel, either solely or in combination with gasoline, is available for the Basic Area Technician and Advanced Emission Specialist Technician licenses.

(A) An individual wishing to have his/her license endorsed to test and repair vehicles powered by gaseous fuels, either solely or in combination with gasoline, must submit satisfactory evidence of certification in the certification category of Light Vehicle Compressed Natural Gas (F1). Certification may be from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence or from completion of a training program approved by the bureau as meeting the requirements of section 44045.6 of the Health and Safety Code.

(B) The endorsement for gaseous fuels shall be accomplished pursuant to the requirements of subsection (d) of section 3340.29 of this Article.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 44002, 44014 and 44045.5, Health and Safety Code; and Section 9882, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 44014, 44031.5(e) and 44045.5, Health and Safety Code.

HISTORY

1. New section filed 6-23-95 as an emergency; operative 6-23-95 (Register 95, No. 25). A Certificate of Compliance must be transmitted to OAL by 10-21-95 or emergency language will be repealed by operation of law on the following day.
2. Certificate of Compliance as to 6-23-95 order transmitted to OAL 10-20-95 and filed 12-6-95 (Register 95, No. 49).
3. Amendment of section and Note filed 7-26-96 as an emergency; operative 7-26-96 (Register 96, No. 30). A Certificate of Compliance must be transmitted to OAL by 11-25-96 or emergency language will be repealed by operation of law on the following day.
4. Editorial correction of subsections (a)(2), (b)(2)(A), (b)(2)(C), (b)(3)(B), (b)(3)(C) and (b)(4)(A) (Register 97, No. 2).
5. Certificate of Compliance as to 7-26-96 order, including amendment of subsection (a)(2), repealer of subsections (a)(4) and (b)(3)-(b)(3)(A), subsection relettering and renumbering, and amendment of newly designated subsection (b)(4)(B), transmitted to OAL 11-19-96 and filed 1-6-97 (Register 97, No. 2).
6. Amendment filed 2-1-2001; operative 2-1-2001 pursuant to Government Codesection 11343.4(c) (Register 2001, No. 5).
7. Amendment of section and Note filed 12-18-2008; operative 1-17-2009 (Register 2008, No. 51).

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