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No in-person coursework available at the time of this publication. For a complete listing of all approved coursework, please visit www.flwwceu.org.

ONLINE COURSEWORK

**Organization: Easler Education Inc.
D/B/A DrugTestingCourses.com**

Contact: Andrew Easler

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DOT & Non-DOT Employee Water Well
Drug Awareness Course
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 2 S/B

DOT Reasonable Suspicion Training for
Water Well Supervisors
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 4 S/B

Non-DOT Reasonable Suspicion for Water
Well Supervisors
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 4 S/B

Organization: Goulds Water Technology

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Introduction to Vertical Turbine Pumps
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 2 S/B

Variable Frequency Drives Training
Hours/Type: 0R/R, 1 S/B

Basic Water Systems Training
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 2 S/B

DEAR LICENSED DRILLER,

We hope this newsletter is being received in good health. During these uncertain times, if you have any questions related to your continuing education credits to renew your license, please contact our office directly at 844-359-9238 or email djessup@executiveoffice.org.

IMPORTANT COVID-19 RESOURCES FOR WATER WELL CONTRACTORS AND BUSINESSES

- [Essential Employee Sample Letter](#)
- [Water Well Permit Required by State – Resource documenting State Permits due to currently overrun health departments](#)
- [Contractor COVID-19 Checklist – Steps to Stay Safe](#)
- [Questions to ask before working during COVID-19](#)
- [Summary of Reductions in Force and Families First Coronavirus Response Act](#)
- [Survival Tips for Managing During an Economic Downturn](#)

For more information and additional resources visit <https://www.fgwa.org/covid-19-resources/>.

THE NEXT RENEWAL CYCLE IS IN FULL SWING *August 1, 2019 – July 31, 2021 (pursuant to rule 62-531.330(3), F.A.C)*

Don't wait until the last minute to accrue the required 12 CE credits you need to renew your license in 2021. Approved coursework is posted to the FWWA Website weekly. To view available courses, visit www.flwwceu.org. As a reminder, a minimum of six (6) coursework hours must be in the rules/well construction category (R/R) and no more than six (6) coursework hours may be in the business/safety practices category (S/B). A maximum of six (6) coursework hours for CE credit may be obtained online.

Depending on current government regulations and stay-at-home orders, you will receive notice from your respective Water Management District and the FWWA of changes to obtaining credits online. As of today, July 16, 2020, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection has not extended online hours for contractors with an active license.

For more information and details about the FWWA CE Courses and Rules, please visit www.flwwceu.org.

Organization: Int'l School of Well Drilling

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Aquifer Storage Recovery
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Basic Geology
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 1 S/B

Drilling Methods I
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Drilling Methods II
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Drilling Methods III
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Drilling Safety
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 1 S/B

Generic Well Abandonment
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Geothermal Heating & Cooling Part I
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Geothermal Heating & Cooling Part II
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Groundwater Basics
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Injection Wells
Hours/Type: 2 R/R, 0 S/B

Well Rehabilitation Part I
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Well Rehabilitation Part II
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Well Development
Hours/Type: 1 R/R, 0 S/B

Organization: National Drilling Association

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HOW TO GET COURSEWORK APPROVED THAT IS NOT PRE-APPROVED THROUGH THE FWWA

Obtaining Continuing Education Credits (CECs) from non-approved providers, whether in Florida or out-of-state, is possible if you are proactive. It is good practice before you spend the time and the money to attend a course or continuing education event, to gather the information on the course(s) and send to the Florida Water Well Administrator for review. There is a strict criterion that the course must contain. To have your course reviewed prior to attending, please complete steps 1-3 below. If you are submitting the information post-coursework completion, please complete all steps below.

1. Coursework agenda. This should include a breakdown of the timeline for the course.
2. Detailed coursework description/summary of each coursework hour attended for CE credit.
3. Coursework instructor(s) biography or resume.
4. If sending documentation post-coursework, a Certificate of Attendance or letter from provider confirming completion of course is required. This must include the date, time and location of course as well as the contractors name and license number (if applicable).

All non-approved coursework will be reviewed by the Florida Water Well Administrator. Approval/denial will be based on the above mandatory criteria submitted by the contractor or person seeking licensure. It is the responsibility of the individual seeking licensure or license renewal to send the required materials to the FWWA for review.

HOW TO CHECK THE STATUS OF YOUR CE CREDITS

All licensed Water Well Contractors and those seeking licensure can view the status of their credits on the Florida Water Well Administrators Website, www.flwwceu.org. Follow these steps to ensure your credits are listed properly:

1. Visit www.flwwceu.org and click on the CE Credits tab at the top.
2. Select the cycle you are currently obtaining credits for.
3. Credits are listed by water well contractors last name, alphabetically. You may also search for your last name in the search bar
4. If you do not see your name on the list and think you should have credits listed, it could possibly be because of the following reasons:
 - a. We do not have a copy of your certificate of attendance forms from the courses you completed
 - b. You did not pay the conversion fee of \$14 per credit hour
 - c. Your license went into the inactive status with the Water Management District (WMD) and although you have obtained CE credits and paid conversion fees, we need confirmation from the WMD to change your status back to Active.

NDA Drilling Safety Certification
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 3 S/B

NDA Monitor Well Construction
Certification
Hours/Type: 3 R/R, 0 S/B

NDA Groundwater Knowledge Certification
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 3 S/B

Basic Geotechnical Procedures
Qualification 101
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 3 S/B

Organization: RedVector.com, LLC

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Business Management: Brief Overview
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 1 S/B

Running Your Own Consulting Business:
Getting Started
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 2 S/B

Worksite Safety 01: OSHA Safety
Introduction
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 1 S/B

Worksite Safety 05: OSHA Personal
Protective Equipment
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 1 S/B

Worksite Safety 08: OSHA Power Tools
and Excavations
Hours/Type: 0 R/R, 1 S/B

- d. You recently submitted your certificates and conversion fees and have not allowed ample time for processing; approximately 5-7 business days to update to the website.

If you went through the steps above and believe your credits are inaccurate or not currently listed on the website, please call the Administrator directly at 844-359-9238.

WELL CONTRACTOR LICENSE NUMBER

Contractor's license number shall be continuously displayed in a conspicuous place on both sides of each piece of drilling equipment owned, leased, or operated by the contractor. The number shall be easily readable by a person with normal vision and shall be in a color which will contrast with its background. The number shall be presented in numerals not less than two inches high.

Rulemaking Authority 373.043, 373.309, 373.337 FS. Law Implemented 373.323, 373.326, 373.329 FS. History—New 8-18-73, Amended 10-9-84, Formerly 17-20.06, 17-20.060, Amended 5-25-89, Formerly 17-531.380, Amended 6-22-14.

HELP US PROMOTE PROTECT YOUR GROUNDWATER DAY

Join us as we promote Protect Your Groundwater Day on September 1, 2020. It is important that everyone maintains the quality and quantity of water. Help us by doing your part in protecting one of the most important natural resources – groundwater.

For more information on Groundwater Protection Day and what you can do to help visit www.fgwa.org or www.ngwa.org.

CEC BY THE NUMBERS REPORT *(statistics as of 7/8/2020)*

This information applies to the 2019-2021 CE renewal period. Contractors with 12 CECs can renew their license to practice water well contracting for the August 1, 2021 to July 31, 2023 biennial license cycle.

- Total # of contractors in the Continuing Education Database: 983
 - # of active licensed Water Well Contractors: 775
 - # of inactive contractors since last renewal: 83
 - # of pending contractors (individuals seeking licensure): 125

CE Credit Statistics (deadline July 31, 2021)

- Licensed contractors who completed 12 CE credits: 4
- Licensed contractors who have 0 CE credits: 696
- Licensed contractors that have 1-11 CE credits: 75

Coursework Statistics

- Coursework offered since the beginning of the program: 1,785
- Individually titled courses offered since last renewal (August 1, 2019): 44
- Total courses offered since August 1, 2019 (includes multiple coursework offerings): 47
- # of coursework hours available from August 1, 2019 to date: 227



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