

### Did You Know?

Did you know that the Florida Water Well Administrator hosts a web site that is available to help you obtain and track your credit hours?

Visit the FWWA website at [www.flwwceu.org](http://www.flwwceu.org) for more information about your CEU hours for your licensure.

#### **What is a CEU?**

A **C**ontinuing **E**ducation **U**nit is one hour, at least fifty minutes, of training or instruction. It is usually abbreviated as CEU.

#### **What is the purpose of requiring Continuing Education?**

The purpose of requiring coursework for licensure and continuing education for license renewal of water well contractors is to encourage the dissemination of information on current and new well construction techniques, business practices, and water well permitting and construction rules. Approved coursework shall be required for water well contractors licensure and license renewal.

**Visit [www.flwwceu.org](http://www.flwwceu.org) for the following information:**

- **View Upcoming Course Offerings:** Each time a course provider has a new course approved, the course is added to the web site within 4 business days to keep you informed of upcoming courses. All approved courses are posted on the web site. If you would like to attend a course that is not posted on the web site, contact the FWWA office or have the Course Provider contact our office.
- **Track CEU Hours:** This page is updated bi-weekly with CEU hours for each contractor. Keep track of your hours by regularly checking the Web site.
- **CEU Newsletters:** Did you miss a past newsletter? You can access the past few issues of the FWWA newsletter.



- **Course Provider & Coursework Approval Forms:** Do you know of an upcoming course that you would like to attend that is not shown as being approved?

Simply print out the forms from the web site and give them to the course provider.



- **Important Links:** The links page provides important and helpful links. Currently, you can navigate from the FWWA web page to the Florida Ground Water Association web page, the National Ground Water Association page, the Florida Government Portal page, the Online permits page, all five Water Management Districts web pages, and the FDEP Water Well Contractors clearing page. If there is a link you would like to see added, let us know.
- **Operations Manual & 62-531 Excerpts:** View the Florida Water Well Administrator Operations Manual and the Excerpts from 62-531 pertaining to CEU hours for Water Well Contractors Licensing requirements to keep yourself informed on rules and regulations affecting your license.
- **FAQ's:** The Florida Water Well Administrator's office has compiled a list of frequently asked questions pertaining to your CEU hours and posted them online for your convenience. Check out the FAQ's to answer most of your questions. Have a question and don't see it in the FAQ's? Contact our office and we will be happy to assist you.

## **What are the DEP requirements for Water Well Contractor license renewal?**

*Excerpt from Rule 62-531.330*

1. Licenses issued pursuant to this Chapter shall not be transferable and shall expire on July 31 of each odd numbered year. A license may be renewed without examination for an ensuing two years by making application to the licensing District not later than the expiration date of the license and paying the biennial renewal fee. Such application shall extend the validity of the current license until a new license is received or the applicant is notified by the District that formal administrative action has been taken to suspend, revoke, or deny renewal of the license.
2. Twelve CEUs shall be required for renewal of a license beginning July 31, 2005. Water well contractor licenses shall be renewed only after the license holder has completed twelve CEUs of approved coursework earned in the two-year period directly preceding the request for license renewal for each renewal cycle.
3. A minimum of six CEUs must be related to water well construction practices and applicable water well construction rules. No more than six CEUs may be related to safety and business practices.
4. Each application of license renewal shall include copies of certificates of completion of CEUs. Confirmation of approved coursework completion will be accepted from the Department or the Administrator, if applicable, in lieu of certificates of completion.
5. A Florida licensed water well contractor who teaches approved coursework shall receive one CEU for each coursework hour of instruction.
6. If a license is not renewed pursuant to subsection (1) before July 31 of each odd numbered year, the current license shall automatically revert to inactive status and may be renewed only in accordance with the requirements in Rule 62-531.360, F.A.C.
7. Pursuant to Rule 62-531.450, F.A.C. no application for a renewal shall be granted if the applicant's license is suspended or revoked until the period for such suspension or revocation has expired.



## **WANTED!**

### **COURSE PROVIDERS TO OFFER CEU HOURS**

Do you know of an upcoming course that pertains to Water Well Construction Practices and Related Rules?

What about an upcoming course regarding Safety and Business Practices?

If so, then we need you!

Either you or the course provider should contact the Florida Water Well

## Are You “Well” Aware?

Brochures are available from the Florida Department of Health to provide to well owners.

Enclosed is a sample brochure from the *Florida Department of Health* to provide to your customers.



Included in the brochure:

- ~ Some Common Myths are Busted~
- ~A Do's and Don'ts Well Owner Checklist Inside~
- ~Find out how often to have your water well tested~

*Visit [www.myfloridaeh.com/water](http://www.myfloridaeh.com/water) to request more brochures.*

## Upcoming Courses

Date	Title	Provider	Hours/Type	Location
11/14/08	Florida Water Quality Assoc– Fall Seminars	<b>FWQA</b> Contact: Dan Story (863) 644-6622	3 R/R, 1.5 S/B	Comfort Inn & Suites <b>Sanford, FL</b>
11/14/08	Water Well Contractor & FEHA Workshop	<b>South FL WMD &amp; Orange County Health Dept.</b> Contact: Ann Marie Superchi (561) 682-6929 or Email: asuperch@sfwmd.gov	8 R/R	Orange County Health Dept. <b>Orlando, FL</b>
11/15/08	Multiple Courses Offered	<b>Con-Techs Health &amp; Safety</b> Contact: Terry Phillips (850) 228-9548	10 R/R, 2 S/B	Southside Business Park <b>Quincy, FL</b>
11/22/08	Water Well Contractor Workshop	<b>International School of Well Drilling</b> Contact: Lorraine Mastropietro (863) 648-1565 Email: director@welldrillingschool.com	10 R/R, 2 S/B	<b>Tampa, FL</b>
12/6/08	Water Well Contractor Workshop	<b>International School of Well Drilling</b> Contact: Lorraine Mastropietro (863) 648-1565 Email: director@welldrillingschool.com	10 R/R, 2 S/B	<b>Ft. Myers, FL</b>



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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

### **CEU By the Numbers**

- Total Number of Licensed Contractors in the CEU Database: **1410**
  - Number of *Active* Licensed Contractors: **1077**
  - Number of *Pending* Drillers: **201**
- Number of Licensed Contractors who have completed 12 CEU hours for the 2007-2009 Cycle: **133**
- Number of Licensed Contractors who have completed 0 CEU hours for the 2007-2009 Cycle: **721**
- Number of Licensed Contractors who have completed between 1 and 11 CEU hours for the 2007-2009 Cycle: **223**
- Number of Course Providers: **49**

***All statistics are current as of October 14, 2008.***