

This newsletter is aimed at all personnel registered on the MCERTS Personnel Competency Certification scheme. It is intended to keep you up-to-date with scheme developments, summarise exam results, provide guidance on some technical aspects and help with future examinations. If you have any comments, suggestions or topics you would like to see included in future editions, please let us know. Send your comments to mcerts@siraenvironmental.com

Revised Examination syllabuses

A revised version of the MCERTS examination syllabuses will be published in August 2010.

Changes have been made to the syllabus for TE4 gases / vapours by instrumental techniques.

The revised syllabus is available from www.mcerts.net

Change to certificate expiry date(s)

To maintain technical endorsements, personnel are required to undergo recertification up to 12 months prior to the expiry date shown on their certificate. Expiry dates normally coincide with the 5th anniversary of each exam board meeting. This has caused some difficulty recently, as exam board meetings are not held on exactly the same date each year.

In future therefore, certificate expiry dates will be shown as the last day of the month of each exam board meeting (see below)

- 31 March
- 30 June
- 30 September
- 31 December

Certification statistics

There are currently 1064 personnel registered on the scheme. A significant number of certificates have expired. Current certified personnel are made up as follows:

Level 1 - 213

Level 2 – 252

Recertification exam results

340 recertification papers have been taken since October 2007. The success rate is currently running at 90%.

Sira website

Sira has launched its new website www.siraenvironmental.com Information, application forms and copies of Environment Agency standards can be viewed and downloaded by accessing www.siraenvironmental.com/mcerts

Sira contact details

Please contact Pat Blazdell with any queries about the MCERTS Personnel Competence Scheme.

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Exam board meetings, 2010

Exam board meetings are scheduled for 7 September and 2 December 2010. Exam results will be notified to candidates shortly after each exam board meeting. Please remember that exam results will NOT be given out over the telephone.

Exam dates, 2011

The full examination schedule for 2011 will be available on the Sira website shortly. To view the examination schedule and to download application forms, go to www.siraenvironmental.com/mcerts/personal.aspx