



ATTENTION: MANDATORY SECURITY COURSE REQUIREMENT

The Operators' Certification Regulation mandates that all certified operators complete the DEP's system security course called "Securing Drinking Water and Wastewater Facilities". The course must be completed *by the end of* the operator's first full cycle that begins on or after 10/01/2010. So, if your license expiration date is 9/30/13, 12/31/13, 3/31/14, 6/30/14 and on, you **MUST have the security course completed. **Failure to complete the course will result in the loss of your license. You only need to take the course once!****

The training is available in three formats: Web-based (Course ID 2954), correspondence (Course ID 2953), and classroom (Course ID 2952). **These are the only courses that fulfill the requirement.** You only need to take one of the versions. The classroom and correspondence versions are worth 5 contact hours. The web-based version is worth 3.5 contact hours. In addition to fulfilling the security requirement, the hours count towards your continuing education requirements. However, the continuing education hours will only count in your current cycle.

How to Take the Course:

There are more than 20 approved training providers that have agreed to deliver the classroom version of the security course. Several providers are also administering the correspondence version. DEP provides the web-based version.

Web-based version: Available through DEP's Earthwise Academy eLearning site:

- Go to www.earthwise.dep.state.pa.us/edu
- Click on "DEP Web-based Courses" in the left-hand menu
- Under "Required Security Training" click on course 2954, *Securing Drinking Water and Wastewater Facilities*.
- Follow the instructions to log-in using your Client ID number.

Classroom: You can go to the Earthwise Academy calendar to find an upcoming classroom session:

- Go to: www.earthwise.dep.state.pa.us/edu,
- Click "Calendar" on the left side and look for the title "Securing Drinking Water and Wastewater Facilities."

For complete information on completing a **classroom or correspondence** version of the course, please go to:

- www.depweb.state.pa.us/operatorcenter
- Click on "Training" Click on "Training" on the right side and then "Operator Security Training Course."

Other Earthwise Academy Features:

www.earthwise.dep.state.pa.us/edu

View Your Operator Transcript

Enter the EarthWise Academy Home using the address above and click “Transcripts”. Enter your Pa. DEP Client ID number to view your transcript. By default, the transcript will only show the courses that were completed during your current 3-year cycle. You can also choose to list all your courses, regardless of cycle.

Please remember that only PA DEP-Approved courses for your certification type and taken within the appropriate 3-year renewal cycle will be counted toward your continuing education requirement, and only for the number of contact hours approved by PA DEP. If you repeat a course, it will only be counted once during your 3-year cycle.

Search the Continuing Education Calendar and/or Catalog

Enter the EarthWise Academy homepage using the address above and click “Calendar” or “Catalog”. The calendar shows upcoming DEP-approved courses and conferences. The catalog allows you to search for approved courses that meet your chosen criteria.

Take a DEP Web-Based Course

The Pa. DEP offers several different web-based training courses for both drinking water and wastewater operators that count towards your continuing education requirements. Most Web-based courses are worth 2 to 4 contact hours and cost \$30 per contact hour. To take a course:

- Go to www.earthwise.dep.state.pa.us/edu
- Click on “DEP Web-based Courses” in the left-hand menu
- To log in, use your Client ID number as both your username and password. The first time you log in, the system will ask you to change your password.
- To enroll, click on the course and you will see instructions for payment. We accept check, money order, and credit cards for payment. Choose the credit card option to enroll in a course instantaneously.



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