

**WEST VIRGINIA
STATE BOARD OF SANITARIANS**

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**Board Policy/Clarification
Clarification of 20-4-3. Standards and Requirements
For a Permit, Certificate or License, Sections 3.2.3,3.4.3, and 3.5.3**

3.2.3.,3.4.3.,3.5.3. Have successfully completed a sanitarian's training course of a minimum of 300 hours as approved by the Board within 12 months of being hired.

Purpose of these sections of the Rule: The purpose of these sections of the Rule is to provide standardization and consistency of understanding the Rules and Regulations that are enforced by Sanitarians in West Virginia. Training must include regulations under the purview of the Office of Environmental Health Services that are enforced at either the state or local level and other pertinent topics to include WV Public Health Law, Ethics and Professionalism, Microbiology, Epidemiology, Food Borne Illness Investigation Procedures, Animal Encounters, Vector and Rodent Control, Home Loan Evaluations (includes water sample collection), Complaint Investigations, Conflict Management, Farmer's Markets, Threat Preparedness, Water Geology, Environmental Electronic Reporting System, State Board of Sanitarians, and the WV Association of Sanitarians.

The training will be a blend of learning formats to include in-person, hands-on field trips, online and/or virtual. The topics of food, sewage, and recreational water must be taught in person. To further ensure standardization and consistency, all on-the-job training must be performed by a state level Sanitarian and would be conducted one-on-one. A minimum of sixty-four (64) hours of OJT will be required, with at least thirty-two (32) hours in food and thirty-two (32) hours in a mixture of other programs. The training will not be declared to be complete until the trainee is proficient in conducting inspections on their own.

Clarification: These sections refer to the training presented at Sanitarian Training Class offered by WVDHHR/BPH/OEHS Public Health Sanitation Division. The Board may waive the requirements of 3.2.3 for a person who experiences an undue hardship.

This policy was approved by the West Virginia State Board of Sanitarians on April 27, 2022. _



Jesse J. Rose, Chairman
West Virginia State Board of Sanitarians