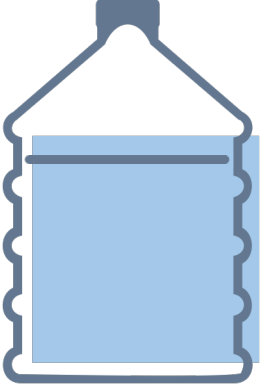




Treatment Certification for Drinking Water Operators

There are five different levels of treatment certification, and each level involves passing a written exam and meeting education and work experience requirements. **Full certification** is available to anyone who meets all education and experience requirements for the grade type. **Operator-in-training (OIT) certification** is available for anyone who meets the education requirements but not the work experience requirement(s). (OIT certification is not available for T4). More information on obtaining and maintaining your certification is available at <http://www.health.ri.gov/wateroperator>

VSST Very Small System applicants must have:	T1 Treatment 1 applicants must have:	T2 Treatment 2 applicants must have:	T3 Treatment 3 applicants must have:	T4 Treatment 4 applicants must have:
<p>High school diploma/GED and three months of experience at a Class VSS or higher facility</p> 	<p>High school diploma/GED and six months experience at a Class T1 or higher facility</p>	<p>High school diploma/GED and two years of experience at a Class T1 or higher facility</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Full T1 Certification with one year of experience after certification at a Class T1 facility</p>	<p>High school diploma/GED and four years of experience at a Class T2 or higher facility</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Full T2 Certification with two years of experience after certification at a Class T2 or higher facility</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Associate's degree* and two years of experience at a Class T2 facility</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Bachelor's degree* and one year of experience at a Class T2 or higher facility</p>	<p>Full T3 Certification with five years of continuous employment at a Class T3 or higher facility, and a minimum of fourteen semester credits of post high school education in the areas below</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Associate's degree* and four years of experience at a class T3 or higher facility</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Bachelor's degree* and two years of experience at a class T3 or higher facility</p>



* Associate's or bachelor's degree in the areas of engineering (sanitary, civil, chemical, or environmental), public health, biology, chemistry, or other discipline acceptable to the Board of Certification Operators of Public Water Supply Treatment and Distribution Facilities.