

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Department of Health and Environment

Article 72.—Residential Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

28-72-6. Application process and requirements for the certification of risk assessors.

(a) Application for a risk assessor certificate.

(1) Each applicant for a risk assessor certificate shall submit a completed application to KDHE before consideration for certificate issuance. All applications for certification shall be received by KDHE at least 30 days before the date of the third-party examination, but the deadline for filing applications may be waived by KDHE as particular circumstances justify.

(2) Each application shall include the information specified in K.A.R. 28-72-5(a)(2)(A) and the following:

(A) A copy of the risk assessor and lead inspector training course completion diploma, and any required refresher course completion diplomas;

(B) documentation pursuant to subsection (b) as evidence of meeting the education or experience requirements for risk assessors; and

(C) a payment to KDHE for the nonrefundable fee specified in K.A.R. 28-72-3.

(3) Each applicant for a risk assessor certificate shall apply to KDHE within one year after the applicant's successful completion of the risk assessor training course, as indicated on the course completion diploma. Applicants failing to apply within one year after the date on the training course completion certificate shall, before making application for certification, be required to successfully complete the eight-hour risk assessor refresher training course accredited by KDHE.

(4) Each applicant who fails to apply within two years after the risk assessor training and who has not successfully completed the refresher training course shall be required to successfully complete the risk assessor training course before submitting an application for a risk assessor certificate.

(b) Training, education, and experience requirements for a risk assessor certificate.

(1) Each applicant for a certificate as a risk assessor shall complete a risk assessor training course and a lead inspector training course and shall be required to achieve passing scores on both the course examinations and the third-party examination for risk assessors.

(2) Each applicant for a certificate as a risk assessor shall meet the minimum education and experience requirements for a certified risk assessor.

(A) The minimum education and experience requirements for a certified risk assessor shall include at least one of the following:

(i) A bachelor's degree and at least one year of experience in a related field, including housing repair and inspection, and lead, asbestos, and environmental remediation work;

(ii) an associate's degree and two years of experience in a related field, including housing repair and inspection, and lead, asbestos, and environmental remediation work;

(iii) certification as an industrial hygienist, professional engineer, or registered architect, or certification in a related engineering, health, or environmental field, including a safety professional and environmental scientist; or

(iv) either a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency (GED), in addition to three years of experience in a field, including housing repair and inspection, and lead, asbestos, and environmental remediation work.

(B) The following documents shall be recognized by KDHE as evidence of meeting the requirements listed in paragraph (b)(2)(A):

(i) Official academic transcripts or diplomas as evidence of meeting the education requirements;

(ii) resumes, letters of reference, or documentation of work experience, which at a minimum shall include specific dates of employment, each employer's name, address, and telephone number, and specific job duties, as evidence of meeting the work experience requirements;

(iii) course completion diplomas issued by the training provider as evidence of meeting the training requirements; and

(iv) appropriate documentation of certifications or registrations.

(c) Procedure for issuance or denial of a risk assessor certificate.

(1) Each applicant shall be informed by the secretary in writing that the application is approved, incomplete, or denied.

(A) If an application is incomplete, the notice shall include a list of additional information or documentation required to complete the application.

(i) Within 30 calendar days after the issuance date of the notice of an incomplete application, the applicant shall submit, to the secretary in writing, the information requested in the written notice.

(ii) Failure to submit the information requested in the written notice within 30 calendar days shall result in the secretary's denial of the individual's application for certification.

(iii) After receipt of the information requested in the written notice, the applicant shall be informed by the secretary in writing that the application is either approved or denied.

(B) If an application for certification is denied, the written notice of denial to the applicant shall specify the reason or reasons for the denial. Certification may be denied by the secretary pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1,207(b), and amendments thereto.

(C) If an application is denied, the applicant may reapply to KDHE for a risk assessor certificate by submitting a complete lead occupation application form with another nonrefundable certification fee, as specified in K.A.R. 28-72-3.

(D) If an applicant is aggrieved by a determination to deny certification, the applicant may request a hearing with the office of administrative hearings, in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act.

(2) Within 180 calendar days after application approval, the applicant shall be required to attain a passing score on the third-party examination for risk assessors.

(A) An applicant shall not sit for the third-party examination for risk assessors more than three times within 180 calendar days after the issuance date of the notice of an approved application.

(B) The applicant's failure to obtain a passing score on the third-party examination for risk assessors within the 180-day period following the notice of an approved application for a certificate shall result in KDHE's denial of the individual's application for

a certificate. The individual may reapply to KDHE pursuant to this regulation but only after retaking the risk assessor training course.

(3) After the applicant passes the third-party examination, a two-year risk assessor certificate shall be issued by KDHE.

(4) A certificate may be issued with specific restrictions pursuant to an agreement between the applicant and KDHE.

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