



Initial Certification for Pumpers or Certified Monitoring Specialist

Pumper Program

To get certified as a Pumper or Certified Monitoring Specialist (CMS) in Thurston County complete these three steps:

1. Complete the Application:

Pick up an application at our office located at

- 3000 Pacific Avenue SE - Room 225
Olympia WA 98501

Download an application from our website

- Pumper: <https://www.co.thurston.wa.us/health/ehoss/pdf/pumper/PumperApp.pdf>
- CMS: <https://www.co.thurston.wa.us/health/ehoss/pdf/cms/CMSApp.pdf>

2. Pay all applicable fees when submitting your application.

3. Take the test. Pumpers may take either WOSSA's or Thurston County's test. CMS must take WOSSA's test.

WOSSA pumper and CMS Testing. Contact WOSSA at (253) 770-6594 to schedule your test today!

- Pumpers: O&M Level 1.
- CMS: O&M Level 2

After you pass your test with WOSSA, you must:

- Attach a copy of the Certificate earned from WOSSA to your pumper application.
- Set up an appointment with Thurston County pumper program staff to discuss the Pumper Program, local requirements, and expectations for being a pumper in Thurston County.

Thurston County pumper testing. Contact our Pumper Program staff to set up a time to take the test.

- All testing shall take place in a designated room.
- Each applicant shall sit at a separate table.
- Health Officer will be present while the applicant takes the test.
- The test takes approximately an hour to complete.
- Tester cannot use notes, study materials, or electronic devices during the test.
- The applicants can bring a standard calculator for the test (cannot use a scientific or engineering calculator.)
- Talking or cheating will result in dismissal from the room. Applicant may retake the test once, with an additional fee.
- Health Officer will only answer questions on the format of test, not the content of the question.
- The Health Officer will score the tests and provide passing or failing results to each applicant.
- The Health Officer will go over the test and discuss the correct answers.
- Testers must get 80% or higher to pass.
- The applicant may retake the test once, with an additional fee.
- Applicant who fails the test a second time, must show they have gained the necessary experience.
- After passing the test, the Health Officer will provide and discuss Performance Expectations.

Thurston County Staff will review all reported work of newly certified professionals for the first year.

Thurston County Pumper Program staff

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