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**EDUCATION/TRAINING**

1 year experience and a 4-5 day basic delineation training course (the course must contain both field work and lectures)

OR

4 Year Degree that fulfills the following criteria**:

- (9) credits Biological Sciences
- (15) credits Physical Sciences
- (6) credits Quantitative Sciences

OR

4 Year Degree in a related field that does not fulfill the above criteria and a 4-5 day basic delineation training course (the course must contain both field work and lectures)

One of the following will be needed to qualify to take the Professional Exam (in addition to the experience criteria listed below):

2. Broad wetland related course work
3. 4-Year Degree

**WRITTEN EXAM REQUIRED**

Yes – Multiple Choice

Yes – Multiple Choice

**TYPE OF EXAM**

Basic exam that tests knowledge of hydric soils, vegetation, hydrology, and wetland classification. Difficulty of exam is consistent with the level of knowledge of someone with recent broad coursework but little or no experience in wetland delineation.

Comprehensive-type exam that tests knowledge of delineation concepts, criteria, and methods. Difficulty of exam is consistent with the level of knowledge of someone with training and experience in wetland delineation and is based on the 1987 CORPS Manual and Regional Supplements.

**ETHICS AGREEMENT**

Not Required

Required

**CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Yes – 6 hours and a $40 fee biennially (beginning 01/01/2011)

Yes – 12 hours and a $140 fee biennially (beginning 01/01/2011)

*Experience is defined as “Where wetland management, wetland regulation, wetland delineation or wetland ecology activities are among the primary duties of their employment. A person so employed for one year would have experience equaling one year.”

**Biological Sciences: Includes courses such as general biology, botany or zoology; general ecology; plant, animal, aquatic or wetlands ecology; invertebrate zoology; taxonomy; marine science; fisheries biology; plant physiology, taxonomy, pathology, or morphology; relevant environmental sciences and similar courses.

Physical Sciences: Includes courses such as soils, chemistry, hydrology, physics, geology, sedimentology, oceanography, coastal processes, environmental engineering and similar courses.

Quantitative Sciences: Include courses such as math, computer science, basic statistics, population dynamics, experimental statistics, and similar courses.