

## **GAWP Water/Wastewater Maintenance Technologist Certification Program** *Certification Requirements*

**To register for a class please select a training facility from the [Approved Training Facilities link](#).**

Anyone taking their initial exam must complete a 24-hour (minimum) course approved by the MTCP Steering Committee prior to taking the exam; however, any personnel who currently hold a valid certification in one or more of the categories below would not be required to take the course prior to taking the Class IV Maintenance Technologist Exam. **\*\***

A Georgia State Certification in one of the following:

- Electrical
- HVAC
- Plumbing
- Water Treatment (Class III, II, I)
- Wastewater Treatment (Class III, II, I)

### **\*\* Program Startup – Grandfather Option for Current Maintenance Personnel:**

From this time until the renewal date of June 30, 2013, any person that is employed in the tasks of maintenance of water or waste water treatment plants, sewer conveyance and water distribution maintenance, if they feel qualified, can take the level IV Maintenance Technologist Certification exam without attendance of the 24-hour training. Should any individual pass the level IV test they will then be qualified to take the level III Maintenance Technologist Certification exam without time or training requirements, as currently documented in the Maintenance Technologist Certification progression document. This “Grandfathering Program Startup” will not be available after June 30, 2013.

Class	Education	Experience	Training
<b>Class IV</b>	High school diploma, GED, or equivalent	Six (6) months of acceptable maintenance experience in a water or wastewater system.	24 hours of maintenance related training from multi areas of <i>Needs to Know Criteria*</i> .
<b>Class III</b>	High school diploma, GED, or equivalent	One (1) year of acceptable maintenance experience in a water or wastewater system.	16 hours of additional maintenance related training from multi areas of <i>Needs to Know Criteria*</i> . (40 total hours of training)
<b>Class II</b>	High school diploma, GED, or equivalent	Two (2) years of acceptable maintenance experience in a water or wastewater system.	32 hours of additional maintenance related training from multi areas of <i>Needs to Know Criteria*</i> . (72 total hours of training)
<b>Class I</b>	High school diploma, GED,	Three (3) years of acceptable maintenance	48 hours of additional maintenance related training from multi areas of

or equivalent

experience in a water or wastewater system.

*Needs to Know Criteria\**.  
(120 total hours of training)

\*Needs to Know Criteria can be found at [http://www.abccert.org/testing\\_services/need\\_to\\_know\\_criteria.asp](http://www.abccert.org/testing_services/need_to_know_criteria.asp)