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Certificate Extension Update - July 2020

Since March 2020, IWCF have continued to closely monitor the evolving coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and have worked closely with our members globally to follow regional advice.

With worldwide restrictions being imposed, we have worked to ensure the safety and wellbeing of employees and well operations crews are maintained by introducing the virtual classroom training option. IWCF virtual classroom training is now widely available at accredited training centres globally (see links below).

Certificate extensions have been granted for eligible candidates who were unable to re-certify between 17 February 2020 and 31 July 2020.

After carefully assessing the latest developments affecting our global membership, IWCF's Board of Trustees have agreed to introduce a new eligibility criteria and dispensation process for the small population of individuals that continue to be affected by COVID-19 restrictions beyond 31July 2020.

We will continue to closely monitor the situation and keep you updated with any future developments.

<u>Information for candidates</u>

Candidates that have an eCert expiring between 1 August 2020 and 30 September 2020 and meet the below criteria will be eligible to apply for an extension.

- The candidate must be booked to attend a virtual classroom training course at an IWCF accredited training provider.
- The candidate's employer must provide a written request for extension.

The booking details and employer request must be submitted by email to certification@iwcf.org.

Once IWCF has reviewed the dispensation request, eligible candidates will be granted a 90-day eCert extension.

Candidates who do not meet the above criteria will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

Useful links

We have introduced a COVID-19 hub on the IWCF website for centres and candidates to use. **Open Training Centres** – This page lists IWCF accredited training centres by region who are open for training and assessments, or their expected opening dates: https://www.iwcf.org/covid-19-updates/training-centres/





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Virtual Training Providers – This page lists training centres by region who are accredited to offer virtual classroom training: https://www.iwcf.org/covid-19-updates/virtual-training-providers-2/

COVID-19 Updates – This page is updated with all COVID-19 news and updates: https://www.iwcf.org/covid-19-updates/

COVID-19 FAQs – This page answers the most frequently asked questions from centres and candidates: https://www.iwcf.org/covid-19-fag/

Please contact us at certification@iwcf.org if you have any questions.

