

Crane Certification Requirements

To become an NCCER Certified Crane Operator, you must demonstrate competencies outlined in the ASME B30 standards. Here are the steps you must complete:

- **Reading and Math Skills:** Show you can read, comprehend, and perform basic math based on your crane's operation and maintenance manuals.
- **Written Assessment:** Successfully pass the written exam specific to your crane type.
- **Practical Examination:** Complete and pass the practical examination for your crane type.
- **Affirmation Form:** Submit your Crane Operator Affirmation for Certification, confirming physical fitness and a negative substance abuse test result through the NCCER Assessment Platform.
- **Photo Upload:** Upload a professional photo to your NCCER account for your certification card.

After completing these steps, your certification will be valid for five years from the date issued.

» Certification Timeline Policy

To earn your crane operator certification, you must successfully complete both the written assessment and the practical examination for your selected crane type(s). Here's what you need to know about the timing:

- You have 12 months from the date you pass either the written assessment or the practical exam to complete the other.
- If both are not successfully completed within 12 months, your results will expire, and you'll need to retake both parts to become certified.

» Retest Policy

If you do not pass your initial crane assessment or practical exam, you may retake it after waiting two days. If additional attempts are needed after the second attempt, a 30-day waiting period applies. You are limited to four attempts within any 12-month period.

» Recertification

To maintain your status as a Certified Crane Operator, you must recertify every five (5) years by completing the full certification process again. This includes both the written assessment and the practical examination for your crane type(s). This ensures that operator skills and knowledge stay up to date with the latest industry standards and regulations.



Important Recertification Guidelines

- ✓ **You can only begin the recertification process** within 180 days (about 6 months) before your current certification expires.
- ✓ **Both the knowledge and practical exams must be completed** within that 180-day window for your recertification to be processed.
- ✓ **If your certification expires before you complete recertification**, you will no longer be considered certified and must go through the initial certification process again.
- ✓ **Be sure to keep track of your certification expiration date** and plan ahead so you have enough time to complete the recertification process.