



Setting the Standards for
Home Energy Efficiency

Final Standard Amendment

Title: MINHERS Chapter 2-2013, Addendum 31f, Rescind Rater Simulation Practical Test for Certified Raters
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Date Effective: April 12, 2018 (replaces Addendum 31i)
Standards Committee: Standard Development Committee 200 (SDC 200), Training, Education and Certification

Justification:

The RESNET Board of Directors Executive Committee unanimously voted to remove the online practical simulation testing requirement for existing certified RESNET HERS Raters.

The new directive states:

“...beginning today, existing certified HERS Raters (those certified prior to July 1, 2016) are no longer required to pass the Practical Simulation Test. HERS Raters who have already passed the Practical Simulation Test will be credited 18 hours of professional development credits which is required every three years for recertification.”

Because this policy is in conflict with the existing language of the standard, an interim amendment is needed that removes the requirement of the Practical Simulation Test for existing HERS Raters.

Modifications to the chapter are given below in underline/strikeout format

Chapter Two

RESNET Standards

National Standard for Instruction, Assessment and Certification

205 Certification Candidates

205.1 General Provisions

205.1.1 Examinations

Examinations allow a candidate to demonstrate the knowledge required appropriate to their desired certification. RESNET online examinations are time-limited and open-book allowing any reference materials but excluding any form of communication with other individuals during the examination session. Examinations are administered by RESNET, set up by a RESNET Accredited Training Provider and overseen by a RESNET approved proctor. Approved proctors include BPI exam proctors, faculty and staff of libraries, trade schools, colleges, independent testing institutions, or others as approved by RESNET. Approved proctors shall adhere to RESNET's defined test proctoring procedures.

205.1.2 Simulated Practical Examinations

Simulated practical examinations allow a candidate to demonstrate their ability to perform certain tasks appropriate to their desired certification. Rater practical examinations shall be administered by RESNET and will include:

205.1.2.1 Rater Simulation Practical Test.

205.1.2.2 For new Candidates the effective date for RESNET Rater Simulation Practical Test is July 1, 2016. ~~Raters who were certified prior to July 1, 2016 shall pass the RESNET Rater Simulation Practical Test by July 1, 2017.~~