

		West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources			
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Section 6.3. of the current [Water Well Regulations, 64 CSR 19](#) provides for the "grandfathering" of well drillers in business prior to June 8, 1984. Over 15 years have passed for those drillers wishing to become certified. For some time, it has become evident that remembering who, what, when, and where of the drilling of water wells prior to June 8, 1984, is extremely difficult. Therefore, effective the date of this policy memorandum, only those persons who can provide "proof positive" evidence that they did drill water wells prior to June 8, 1984, will be considered for certification (grandfathering) under Section 6.3.

The "proof positive" is considered to be W-2 forms, pay checks, pay stubs, or other undeniable, tangible and documented evidence to substantiate any pre-June 8, 1984, water well drilling. Effective this date, all persons applying for Certification as a Water Well Driller shall comply with all provisions of Section 6. of the regulations.

Section 6.2. of the regulations requires two years of water well drilling experience under the supervision of a certified well driller to be eligible for certification. Effective this date, no experience will be allowed for the two years of experience requirements when the drilling was done illegally and/or the driller was not certified and/or working under a non-certified driller. Drillers not meeting these requirements will not be certified.

References [64 CSR 77, Water Well Regulations](#)

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