

# NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

## Division of Water, Water Well Program

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## Certification Requirements

The **Certified Well Driller (CWD)** and **Certified Pump Installer (CPI)** exams are designed to test your knowledge of specialized equipment use, geologic formations, and troubleshooting skills within each certification area. Each exam consists of 50 questions.

To earn the **CWD** designation, you must pass (with scores of 70 percent or better) the **general drilling exam** and at least **one other specialized drilling exam**.

To earn the **CPI** designation, you must pass (with scores of 70 percent or better) the **water systems general exam** and at least **one other specialized pump/water systems exam**.

### Drilling categories:

General drilling exam  
Exam A/B: Cable tool drilling  
Exam C/D: Air rotary drilling  
Exam E/F: Mud rotary drilling  
Exam G: Reverse circulation drilling  
Exam H: Jetting and driving wells  
Exam M: Augering and monitoring

### Pump categories:

Water systems general exam  
Exam K: Water systems less than 100 gpm  
Exam L: Water systems more than 100 gpm

### Specialty exam category:

Exam N: Well servicing and maintenance

### For study materials and additional information, contact:

National Ground Water Association  
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[www.ngwa.org](http://www.ngwa.org)

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### To sign up to take the exam at a location near you, contact:

PSI  
Phone: 855-579-4642  
Website: [candidate.psiexams.com](http://candidate.psiexams.com)  
Select "Certification/Professional Associations"  
Select "National Ground Water Association (NGWA)"  
Choose the appropriate exam and continue as directed.