

2008 NEHA AEC Tucson, Arizona

Dear REHS Candidate:

Congratulations on your decision to tackle the NEHA REHS/RS credential examination! NEHA has a proud 75 year history of professionalism to support and sustain the unique REHS credential.

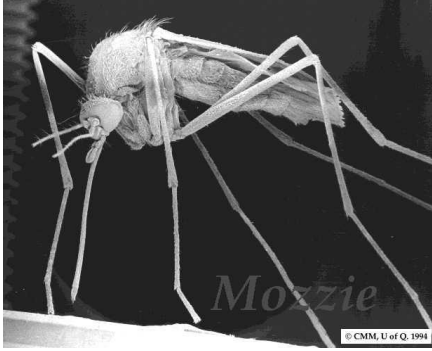


I am the class instructor, Walter Saraniecki, MS, LD, LEHP, REHS of the Saraniecki Institute for Nutrition & Environmental Health. I have been providing this class for RS candidates in Illinois for over 10 years. Back by popular demand, this will be the second year that I provide the class for the NEHA Annual Education Conference.

The exam covers 15 core competencies of environmental health. The percentage of exam questions devoted to each competency area is accessible at: [www.neha.org/credential/REHS\\_RS\\_JA\\_Update.shtml](http://www.neha.org/credential/REHS_RS_JA_Update.shtml).

The class will benefit both the prepared candidate ready to take the examination and the novice candidate looking for direction as to what materials to begin studying. Many Illinois candidates have taken this review class twice. Once to start them on the correct path of study. Then again as a review of their studying efforts just prior to taking the exam. **The sole purpose of the class is to help you pass the examination!**

I have divided the review course into 20 topics. The syllabus for the 2009 NEHA Atlanta AEC is attached. We will cover **every subject** that is on the exam. The class is jam packed with over 900 Power Point slides accompanied by a workbook of the printed slides. In two 8 hour course days I will cover in-depth 17 of the 20 topics. Due to time constraints the Waste topics of Solid Waste, Hazardous Waste, and Medical Waste are not reviewed in depth. However the Waste topics have complete Power Point presentations included in the workbook for the candidate to study independently. Additionally, Waste topic study sheets (included in the workbook) are covered during class time.



The NEHA REHS candidate brochure lists 13 recommended study references. I highly recommend that you purchase (or borrow) *Environmental Engineering*, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2003 J.A. Salvato, N. Nemerow, F. Argardy (\$287.50 available for purchase from the NEHA Bookstore: <http://www.neha.org/store/index.html>).

Also download the FDA Model Food

Code for free at: [www.foodsafety.gov/~dms/foodcode.html](http://www.foodsafety.gov/~dms/foodcode.html).

To be better prepared for the class and therefore for the exam read the above two references before attending the class. Salvato is a very thick tome. Tackle the sections that are **least** familiar to you. The FDA Model Food Code is actually rather interesting to read because each Code item has an explanation of why the rule is included in the Code.

Very little written note taking is necessary. Yellow and pink highlighters are the weapons of choice for the class. Candidates are instructed to highlight the material that I emphasize in class. Your attentive presence in this class armed with the workbook, your highlighted notes, and the above 2 reference books will give you all the ammunition needed to pass the exam. Of course you will have to allot time to independently study these materials before the exam. Without adequate independent study time, the class alone will not be enough to pass the exam. Plan on plenty of independent study time of your highlighted workbook to pass the exam.

The class will be from 8am to 5pm Friday June 19<sup>th</sup> and Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup>. Sunday will be set aside for self study. An effort will be made during the class to pair up candidates who would like a study partner for Sunday. The examination will be administered on Monday at 8am for candidates that have also prepaid for the examination.

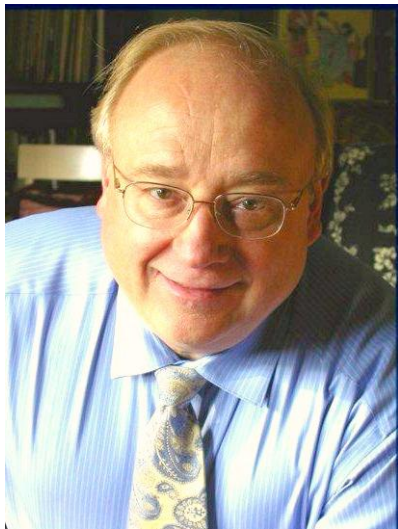


**The Solution to Air Pollution**

Snacks will be provided throughout the class time. Lunch is on your own in the Hyatt Regency food court. Comfortable casual clothes are recommended. Bring a light sweater; the room is purposefully kept cool. You can bring your own comfort food to fuel your brain in class.

To sign up for the class, exam, or for hotel accommodations contact NEHA Credentialing Department at (303) 756-9090 ext. 337 or ext. 339, or email [credentialing@neha.org](mailto:credentialing@neha.org).

For questions concerning the **course content** contact the instructor  
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**In this economy, a highly respected professional credential goes a long way in obtaining and retaining a job. Act now, space is limited in this popular course. Only the first 50 candidates are accepted.**

**NEHA 2009 AEC Pre-Conference  
REHS Credential Exam Review Course  
Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> & Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup>**

National Environmental Health Association  
73rd Annual Educational Conference (AEC) & Exhibition  
Sunday, June 21—Wednesday, June 24



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**Friday June 19, 2009**

**7:45am Check In** (Christine Hollenbeck, NEHA Entrepreneurial Zone)

**8:00am Opening Remarks** (Christine Hollenbeck & Walter Saraniecki)

**8:15am Our Precious Water** 8%

**10:00 – 10:15am .....Onsite WasteWater BREAK**

**10:15am Swimming Pools & Recreational Waters** 8%

**11:15 am HouseHold Hazardous Waste** 2%

**NOON – 12:45pm.....Lunch** (on your own in the Hyatt food court)

**12:45pm HAZWOPER & Federal Incident Command System**

**1:45pm Noise Pollution** 2%

**2:15pm – 2:30pm .....Onsite WasteWater BREAK**

**2:30pm Disasters & Bioterrorism & E.H. Planning** 4-6%

**3:00pm Institutions 12% & Housing** 6%

**3:30pm -- 3:45pm.....Onsite WasteWater BREAK**

**3:45pm Legal , Administrative, Regulations, & Standards** 6%

**5:00 - ????** .....Rehydration at the local watering hole 90% (TBA)  
‘Put the lime in the coconut’ ...



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**Saturday June 20, 2009**

**8:00am Wake Up Quiz**

**8:10am Vectors, Pests, & Weeds 6%**

**9:45am – 10:00am.....Onsite WasteWater BREAK**

**10:00am Food & Dairy Protection 14%**

**11:30am Radiation Protection 2%**

**NOON – 12:30pm.....Lunch (on your own at the Haytt food court)**

**12:45pm Group Photo (location TBA)**

**1:00pm Private OnSite WasteWater Treatment 8%**

**2:30pm – 2:45pm.....Onsite WasteWater BREAK**

**2:45pm Air Quality 2%**

**3:30pm – 3:40pm.....Fast Break**

**3:40pm OSHA 2%, HAZMAT 2%**

**4:50pm Summary**

**5:00pm Turn in evaluations, highlighters and saddle your horse**



Adult *Rhodnius prolixus*, a kissing bug.  
WHO/TDR/Stammers



**Note:**

Solid, Hazardous, & Medical Waste (4%) are subjects to study on your own with the Power Points & summary in your workbook. General Environmental Health questions are intertwined throughout the class and represents 14% of the exam.