

## The Official Newsletter of the Florida Water Well Administrator

**April 2009** 

### **Did You Know?**

### Course instructors earn CEUs when they teach approved courses!

That's right! A Florida licensed water well contractor who teaches approved coursework will receive one CEU for each coursework hour of instruction. To become a course instructor, you must at minimum meet one of the following criteria:



- A. Have a four-year college degree or three (3) year's related work experience in the subject matter to be presented; or
- B. Be a National Ground Water Association master certified contractor; or
- C. Be a licensed water well contractor with at least three (3) years of experience; or
- D. Be an employee of a regulatory agency with jurisdiction over water well construction and have a minimum of three (3) years of experience in the subject matter to be presented.

If you are interested in becoming a course provider, please contact the Florida Water Well Administration at (850) 205-5641 or <a href="mailto:info@flwwceu.org">info@flwwceu.org</a>.

### FWWA will have a representative onsite at the Florida Ground Water Association Convention on May 7<sup>th</sup> – May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009

The Florida Ground Water Association is an approved CEU provider and will be offering 14 credits at their Annual Convention & Trade show. For your convenience, FWWA will have a booth onsite so that you can convert your credits before you leave the convention!

**Hotel Information:** Caribe Royale Orlando

8101 World Center Dr Orlando, FL 32821 (800) 823-8300

For more information please visit the FGWA website at www.fgwa.org.

**Note:** FWWA does not accept credit card payments. If you plan to convert your credits onsite, please bring checks or money orders.



# Florida Water Well Administrator Upcoming Courses

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To view a complete list of course offerings, please visit the website at www.flwwceu.org and click the "Course Offerings" link.

Date	Title	Provider	Hours/Type	Location
4/16/2009	Well Contractor Workshop	South Florida W.M.D. Contact: Ann Marie Superchi Phone: (561) 682-6929	4 R/R	Osceloa County Extension Office Kissimmee, FL
4/21/2009	Water Treatment Basics II	Coast Pump Water Technologies Contact: Bob Caswell Phone: (850) 864-4004	6 R/R	Cayo Grande Suites Hotel Walton Beach, FL
4/21/2009	Water System Hydraulics	Pentair Water Training Institute Contact: Angela Thomas Phone: (800) 782-7399	7 R/R	Hampton Inn Boynton Beach, FL
4/22/2009	Lee County Well Construction Advisory Board Meeting	Lee County Well Construction Advisory Board Contact: Ann Marie Superchi Phone: (239) 533-8951	3.5 R/R	Lee County Public Works Center Ft Myers, FL
4/22/2009	Hydraulics - VFD	Pentair Water Training Institute Contact: Karen Pender Phone: (772) 473-1150	7 R/R	North South Supply Vero Beach, FL
4/23/2009	Hydraulics - VFD	Pentair Water Training Institute Contact: Mark Payton Phone: (407) 947-9134	7 R/R	Florida Irrigation Supply Orlando, FL
4/25/2009	Water Well Contractor Workshop	International School of Well Drilling Contact: Lorraine Mastropietro Phone: (863) 648-1565	10 R/R, 2 S/B	Port St. Lucie, FL
4/28/2009	Water W/S & SSE Field School	Pentair Water Field Schools Contact: Bill Corey or Steve Devore Phone: (904) 910-7096	8 R/R	Holiday Inn Jacksonville, FL
4/29/2009	Water W/S & SSE Field School	Pentair Water Field Schools Contact: Bill Corey or Steve Devore Phone: (904) 910-7096	8 R/R	Holiday Inn Jacksonville, FL
5/1/2009	Water - "A Matter of Life and Death"	South Florida W.M.D. Contact: Ann Marie Superchi Phone: (561) 682-6929	4 R/R	SFWMD Headquarters, West Palm Beach, FL
5/4/2009	OSHA 2009 Annual Hazmat Refresher	Hazardous Operations, Inc. Contact: David Wiggins Phone: (850) 591-3117	6 S/B	Hilton Garden Inn Tallahassee, FL
5/7/2009 - 5/9/2009	FGWA Annual Convention & Trade show	Florida Ground Water Association Contact: Jennifer King Phone: (850) 205-5641	7 R/R, 7 S/B	Caribe Royal Orlando, Florida
5/16/2009	Water Well Contractor Workshop	International School of Well Drilling Contact: Lorraine Mastropietro Phone: (863) 648-1565	10 R/R, 2 S/B	Pensacola, FL
5/16/2009	Well Contractor Workshop	Con-Techs Health and Safety Contact: Terry Phillips Phone: (850) 875-4403	10 R/R, 2 S/B	St. Paul's Episcopal Church Quincy, FL
5/20/2009	Drilling Fluids and Florida's Problematic Zones	Baroid Industrial Drilling Products Contact: Todd Waskuch Phone: (321)684-3761	4 R/R	Atlantic Drilling Supply Orlando, FL
6/3/2009	Well Drillers Workshop	St Johns River W.M.D. Contact: Warren Zwanka Phone: (386) 329-4248	1 R/R, 2 S/B	Tavares Civic Center Tavares, FL
6/6/2009	Water Well Contractor Workshop	International School of Well Drilling Contact: Lorraine Mastropietro Phone: (863) 648-1565	10 R/R, 2 S/B	Tallahassee, FL
6/18/2009	Well Contractor Workshop	Con-Techs Health and Safety Contact: Terry Phillips Phone: (850) 875-4403	10 R/R, 2 S/B	St. Paul's Episcopal Church Quincy, FL
6/20/2009	Water Well Contractor Workshop	International School of Well Drilling Contact: Lorraine Mastropietro Phone: (863) 648-1565	10 R/R, 2 S/B	Panama City, FL
6/27/2009	Water Well Contractor Workshop	International School of Well Drilling Contact: Lorraine Mastropietro Phone: (863) 648-1565	10 R/R, 2 S/B	Tampa, FL



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## Frequently Asked Questions April 2009

The end of the 2007 - 2009 renewal cycle is fast approaching, and you may have some questions. Here is a list of frequently asked questions that may be of some assistance to you:

Question: If I attend the FGWA convention in May, can I hold my credits and use them towards the next renewal cycle?

**Answer:** No, you can not "hold" those credits and apply them towards the next cycle. Earned coursework credits are valid for 24 months from course date, <u>or</u> until a license is issued or renewed, whichever comes first.

Question: I only need 4 more credits for the current renewal cycle. If I earn 12 credits at a workshop in June, can I use 4 credits towards the current renewal cycle and apply the remaining 8 credits towards the next cycle?

**Answer:** No, you can not apply partial credits towards two separate renewal cycles. See explanation for answer above.

Question: How many credits can I earn online?

**Answer:** A maximum of three (3) coursework credits may be obtained by online instruction or other correspondence media.

Question: When can I start earning credits towards the 2009-2011 renewal cycle?

**Answer:** The DEP 62-531.330(2) rule states that "Water well contractor licenses shall be renewed only after the license holder has completed twelve CEUs of approved coursework earned in the two-year period directly preceding the request for license renewal for each renewal cycle." This means that credits earned **after** July 31, 2009 can be applied towards the 2009-2011 renewal cycle.

Question: I just realized that the deadline to earn CEUs is July 31, 2009. If I don't earn 12 credits before the deadline, what happens to my license?

**Answer**: If a license is not renewed before July 31 of each odd year, the current license will automatically revert to an "inactive" status. If your license has been "inactive" for <u>one year or less</u>, you will need to submit your CEUs and conversion fees to the FWWA and apply for renewal to the Water Management District. You will not have to retake the licensure exam; however, you will be assessed late fees by the Water Management District.

Question: How much will it cost to renew my license?

**Answer**: The CEU conversion fee is paid to the Florida Water Well Administration. The conversion fee is \$14 per credit hour, and the maximum amount that you will have to pay to convert your credits is \$168.

Your license renewal application fee is \$50 and is paid to the Water Management District. After July 31 of each odd year, in addition to the normal license renewal fee, a late fee of \$75 will need to be submitted with each application for renewal of a license which has been inactive for one year or less.



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#### **CEU by the Numbers**

- Number of Active Licensed Contractors: 1087
- Number of *Pending* Drillers (individuals seeking licensure): 211
- Licensed contractors that completed 12 CEU hours for the 2007 2009 CEU Cycle: 235
- Licensed contractors that have between 1 and 11 CEUs for the 2007 2009 CEU Cycle: 197
- Licensed contractors who have **0** CEU hours for the 2007 2009 CEU Cycle: **655**
- Number of Course Providers: 50

Statistics are as of April 2, 2009