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**The Kansas Rural Water Association
presents:**

***Water Operator Training
Advanced Wastewater Operator Training***

**Thursday, July 23, 2026
Garfield Shelter House (ww tng)
Garfield Community Center (water tng)
1600 NE Quincy
Topeka, Kansas**

TRAINING NOTICE:

The Kansas Rural Water Association is offering water and wastewater system operators an excellent opportunity to refresh and review before taking the operator certification exam. Both sessions will be held on the same day, Thursday, July 23 at the Garfield Shelter House and Garfield Community Center in Topeka, Kansas. Each session will cover the critical areas for the operator certification exam; the wastewater prep will cover advanced wastewater. See the listing of topics on the adjoining panel. The training will conclude by 4 p.m. Lunch is on your own. KDHE is giving both water and wastewater exams in Topeka on Friday, July 24. Anyone planning to take the exam needs to make an application to KDHE. KDHE must receive the application and payment by July 10. To register for the exam, contact KDHE at 785-296-5511 for an application or **download the application from the KDHE's website link at the bottom of this page.** While this training primarily targets small systems and Classes I and II, any operator will find the information useful.

DATE & LOCATION:

**Thursday, July 23, 2026
Garfield Shelter House (Wastewater Tng)
Garfield Community Center (Water Tng)
1600 NE Quincy, Topeka, Kansas**

Directions: From Hwy 24, exit to NW Topeka Blvd. Go south across Soldier Creek. Go east on NW Paramore for 6 blocks to NE Quincy. Then go north to Garfield Park. Parking is on the south side of the buildings.

REGISTRATION:

Early registration is requested. Register through KRWA's website at <https://krwa.net/training>. Or, call KRWA at 785/336-3760 or return the registration form by mail. Please register by Thursday, July 16.

CERTIFICATION CREDIT:

Water and wastewater operators who attend will receive five (5) credit hours toward certification renewal for full day attendance.

Download the application for the operator exam at this link:

<https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/DocumentCenter/View/33939/Exam-Application-PDF->

SCHEDULE and TOPICS:

8:00 a.m. Registration, (hospitality coffee, rolls)
8:30 a.m. Introduction, course objectives: see listing of following topics: **(Note: Training is in different buildings)**

Water Operator Training:

Presenter: Daryn Martin, KRWA

- Chlorination concepts (free vs. combined, etc.)
- Chlorine residual monitoring
- Sample collection procedures (bacteriological, THM/HAA5, lead and copper, etc.)
- Well operation and maintenance, troubleshooting problems
- Knowledge of water quality issues
- Regulatory update/Maximum Contaminant Levels
- Distribution system operation, including leak detection, water line disinfection procedure, water loss, storage tanks
- Review of plans required by KDHE, including Emergency Operations Plan, Cross-Connection Control Program, Bacteriological Sampling Plan
- Safety issues and procedures (safety hazards, chemical handling, gas chlorine, etc.)
- Basic math calculations including surface area, volume, chemical dosages, etc.

Wastewater Training - Class II, III and IV

Presenter: Stewart Kasper

- Understanding regulatory requirements, MCLs
- Conventional treatment process, including primary
- Disinfection, include use of chlorine and ultraviolet
- Understanding the NPDES permit requirements
- Wastewater math concepts
- Removing inorganics
- Navigation supervisory roles and best practices
- Safety issues and procedures
- Process controls for removing inorganics