

Guidelines for qualifications and certifications recognised for approval of auditors and inspectors

Auditors and inspectors will be approved based on appropriate skills and experience. Three classification levels have been defined. Guidelines for qualifications and certifications recognised for approval at each level are shown below. Attendance at a drinking water training session conducted by SA Health will be required for applicants applying for approval as an Auditor-Level 2 or an Inspector – Level 3 (excluding those with extensive water quality experience).

	Qualifications / certification recognised	Overview / details	Drinking water quality training session
<p>Auditor – level 1</p> <p>An Auditor-level 1 will be approved to carry out any audit or inspection prescribed under the Act.</p> <p>Can carry out audits of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• large drinking water supplies (>50,000 population). <p>Can also carry out the functions of an Inspector and Auditor - level 2.</p>	<p>Certified Lead Auditor under RABQSA Drinking Water Quality Management System auditor scheme</p>	<p>Commensurate with the skills and experience necessary to audit a large drinking water provider with complex operations, RABQSA-DWQMS certificate holders already have the following expertise as part of their certification requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• extensive experience (7+ years) in the water industry,• experience establishing, reviewing or running quality management systems• significant experience undertaking audits of quality management systems	<p>×</p>

	Qualifications / certification recognised	Overview/details	Drinking water quality training session
<p>Auditor – level 2</p> <p>An Auditor- level 2 will be approved to carry out any audit or inspection under the Act <i>excluding</i> large drinking water supplies (>50,000 population)</p> <p>Carry out audits of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • medium water supplies (>2000 population), • regulated care premises (aged care, hospitals), • childcare and preschools, • desalinated water supplies • surface water supplies, • SA Water managed indigenous supplies and mining accommodation. <p>Can also carry out the functions of an Inspector.</p>	<p>Water Quality Officers with auditor training</p> <p>Or</p> <p>SA Health Approved Food Safety Auditor</p>	<p>Water Quality Officers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 years relevant work experience • have completed auditor training (RABQSA-AU or equivalent) • have completed training on practical application of the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (RABQSA-DW) <p>It is recognised that SA Health Approved Food Safety Officers already have at least 2 years relevant work experience and extensive training in auditing a quality management system relating to food, including high risk foods and where food is provided to regulated care premises. To provide further understanding of the hazards and risks associated with drinking water supplies, attendance at a drinking water quality training session conducted by SA Health will be required prior to approval.</p> <p>Note: a condition of approval for SA Health Food Safety Auditors will <i>exclude</i> the audit of surface water supplies</p>	<p>×</p> <p>√</p>

