

Fall 2023 Visible Emissions (VE) Certification

A VE certification course (EPA Reference Method 9) consisting of a lecture session and several field sessions will be held October 3-5, 2023, in Bismarck at the Environmental Training Center (2639 East Main Avenue). There is no fee for the training.

The lecture session, which is mandatory for initial certification, will be limited to **30 attendees**. Registrations will be accepted by emailing airquality@nd.gov until September 29, 2023. Registration is accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, so early pre-registration is encouraged.

Note: Pre-registration is no longer required for those only needing 6-month recertifications.

Schedule

Tuesday, October 3	9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Lecture Session Field Session A: 2-3 Runs Field Session B: 2-3 Runs
Wednesday, October 4	8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Field Session C: 2-3 Runs Field Session D: 2-3 Runs
Thursday, October 5	8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon	Field Session E: 2-3 Runs

The mandatory lecture session will also cover EPA Reference Method 22 addressing the visual determination of fugitive emissions from material sources and smoke emissions from flares.

Note: Persons may complete an on-line, commercially produced Reference Method 9 Lecture Presentation in lieu of attending the lecture session in Bismarck. A certification of attendance or completion for the on-line course will be required to satisfy the lecture component which is necessary for initial certification.

The Department no longer mails individual VE certification cards. In lieu of certification cards, a list of individuals certified for 6 months will be maintained on the Training page of the Division's website: <https://deq.nd.gov/AQ/Training.aspx>. This list serves as the official record of certification. Certificates for initial VE Certification will be emailed to participants.

A reminder for all: Bring a ball point pen for use during lecture and field sessions. A type of clip board for use during field sessions will be furnished by the Department.

Please inform other persons who may be interested in attending this training. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Keith Hinnenkamp or Rebekah Pfaff at 701-328-5188; or by email: khinnenk@nd.gov or rpffaff@nd.gov.

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**North Dakota
Department of Environmental Quality
Division of Air Quality**

**Visible Emissions (VE) Training
Class Registration Form**

Name:
Email:
Phone Number:
Company Name:
Email Certificates to:

Training Schedule

Tuesday	9:00 am to 11:30 am	Classroom Lecture
Tuesday	8:30 am to 12:00 noon	Recertify Field Session
Tuesday	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm*	Recertify Field Session
Wednesday	8:30 am to 12:00 noon	Recertify Field Session
Wednesday	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm	Recertify Field Session
Thursday	8:30 am to 12:00 noon	Recertify Field Session

(*Generally reserved for those attending the Tuesday morning class.)

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