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Developer and Owner – WWOTC
Online Course – Instructor Led

Wastewater Microbiology

December 8 – 9, 2026 (1:00 PM – 5:00 PM AST)

Course Objective / Description

In order to achieve the objectives of wastewater treatment, it is essential for plant operators to understand the biological processes and organisms involved in wastewater treatment to ensure that the presence of an adequate, active, and appropriate population of bacteria is present in each process. This course provides the basics of microbiology with an understanding of bacterial groups and key process control options to optimize the treatment process. Troubleshooting methods are highlighted with the goal of effluent optimization.

What will be covered?

- Bacterial: Characteristics, composition, structure, nutritional requirements, environmental conditions for metabolism and growth, metabolic pathways and growth patterns
- Learn the differences between pathogens and coliforms
- Bacterial groups and microorganism identification
- Bacterial sampling and observe laboratory analytical tests and techniques
- Microscope usage and slide preparation

Lesson	Description	Contact Hours
Day 1		
Lesson 1	Microbiology and Bacteria Overview	1.0
Lesson 2	Eukaryotic Organisms and Their Meaning	1.0
	Break	0.25
Lesson 3	Eukaryotic Organisms and Their Meaning	1.0
Lesson 4	Pathogens and Indicators	0.5
Day 2		
Lesson 5	Pathogens and Indicators	0.25
Lesson 6	Iron, Sulfur, and Nitrifying Bacteria	0.75
Lesson 7	Sampling and Laboratory Tests	1.0
	Break	0.25
Lesson 8	Microscopy and Slide Preparation	1.0
	Exam	0.5
	Total Instruction Time:	7.0

CEU: 0.7

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ACWWA Membership #: _____ WEF Membership #: _____

If no membership number is listed, you will be invoiced as a non-member. See pricing below.

Fee for ACWWA or WEF Members & Employees of UTILITY Members

Course: $\$355.00 + \$49.70 \text{ HST (14\%)} = \404.70

Fee for Non – Members

Course: $\$380.00 + \$53.20 \text{ HST (14\%)} = \433.20

Invoices will be sent to the address listed above.

PO number to be included on the invoice _____

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