



New York State Department of Labor

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Examination for Blaster's Certificate of Competence

Information for Candidates

Exam No. 20-230 – Class A Certificate	(for any blasting; three years experience required, one of which must be above or below ground.)
Exam No. 20-231– Class B Certificate	(for above ground blasting only, for example blasting in general construction, open surface excavating, quarries, well drilling, etc.; three years of experience required.)
Exam No. 20-232 – Class C Certificate	(for underground blasting only, for example tunnels underground mines, etc.; three years experience required.)
Date of examination: To be announced	Candidates will be notified of the date, time, and place of the examination about 2 weeks in advance

Scope of the examination: The examination will be in three parts:

Part I	General	Safe practices in the handling, transportation and use of explosives; properties of explosives.
Part II	Above Ground	Above ground blasting techniques and practices.
Part III	Below Ground	Below ground blasting techniques and practices.

Important note: candidates should take the examination appropriate to their experience

Exam No. 20-230 consists of Parts I, II, and III
Exam No. 20-231 consists of Parts I and II
Exam No. 20-232 consists of Parts I and III

A passing score in each part is required. Candidates who pass the examination will be granted the appropriate certificate as determined by their experience.

Industrial Code Rule 39, "Possession, Handling, Storage and Transportation of Explosives," is available by request from the License and Certificate Unit at the above address.

Please address inquiries relating to certificates and examinations to the New York State Department of Labor, License & Certification Unit, at the address given above.