§872. Qualifications for licensure of a crematory retort operator; exception; compliance with other regulations

A. Any person who operates a crematory retort in this state shall obtain a license issued by the board.

B. In order to receive a license as a crematory retort operator, a person shall meet all of the following requirements:
   (1) Be at least twenty-one years old, or is at least eighteen years old and is legally emancipated.
   (2) Is found by the board to be of good moral character and possesses temperate habits.
   (3) Is a graduate of a high school as evidenced by a diploma or general education development certificate.
   (4) Has successfully completed a required training course as approved by the board.
   (5) Has submitted evidence of the attainment of all necessary licenses and permits as required by the appropriate local, state, and federal agencies.
   (6) Has submitted the appropriate application as furnished and prescribed by the board along with the appropriate license fee as set forth by rule in accordance with R.S. 37:875.

C. However, when issuing a license as a crematory retort operator, the board may waive the requirements of Subsection B of this Section for any person who has been operating a crematory retort for at least one year prior to January 1, 2004.

D. A crematory retort operator shall be subject to all local, state, and federal health and environmental protection requirements and shall obtain all necessary licenses and permits as required by the appropriate local, state, and federal agencies.