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Updated Hydraulic Fabricator Program

This bulletin describes the updated Certification Program for Hydraulic Fabricators, and how existing participants will transition from a requirement-based program to one based on the updated [Standard for Certification Programs \(AISC 207-20\)](#). As detailed in the brand-new sixth chapter of the *Standard*, the previous certification is being superseded by two categories: Hydraulic Fabricator (HYD) and Hydraulic Fabricator - Advanced (HYDA). Also, the Fracture Control Endorsement for Hydraulic (FCEH) is a new optional endorsement only available to HYD participants; HYDA already includes these provisions.

AISC 207-20 and the associated hydraulic updates take effect on June 1, 2021.

Applicants

Initial applicants may begin applying to the updated Certification Program for Hydraulic Fabricators on June 1, 2021.

You will be asked to submit [Application Submittal Documents](#) for the program. This list is available on our website and will also be sent to you after AISC receives your online application.



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The application will then follow the path outlined in the *Governing Requirements for Certification Programs (GRs)*.

Hydraulic Certified Participants:

At this time, all participants who currently hold a certification for Certified Metal Hydraulic Fabricator will transition to the updated program at your next renewal audit occurring after June 1, 2021.

Before the audit, you are not required to submit any documentation to AISC or Quality Management Company (QMC).

During the audit, the auditor will review and document your past and current hydraulic work, along with any associated fracture control work. This information will be included in your audit report, along with the assessment of your quality management system.

The audit review process will follow the standard path: QMC review, AISC review, and the Certification Review Group (CRG) Determination (for more information, see Sections 6 & 7 of the *Governing Requirements*). The CRG will determine your category type by reviewing your audit findings, your three-year history, and a summary of your hydraulic work.

If approved by the CRG, you will be issued a certification with one of the two hydraulic categories, HYD or HYDA.

Resources

To help with the transition process, we have several resources for you. If you have a current certification, [Hydraulic Navigation Guide](#) will help you transition between your current certification and one of the two hydraulic categories.

[207-20 Audit Guides](#) will help identify gaps between your quality management systems (QMS) and the updated *Standard*, or you can use them as a starting point to implement management systems that meet the certification requirements.

How to get help

The AISC Certification team is always available to answer your questions at certification@aisc.org or 312.670.7520.