

NUEC 3 / NUOFA CERTIFICATION UPDATE

BACKGROUND

In 2012, PEAK developed and implemented the ‘Non-Urban Occupational First Aid 3’ (NUOFA 3) training program to support its clients and students in meeting the WorkSafeBC Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Regulations as they pertain to workplace first aid requirements.

The NUOFA 3 program is a hybrid certification between PEAK’s ‘Non-Urban Emergency Care 3’ (NUEC 3) and WorkSafeBC’s ‘Occupational First Aid Level 3’ (OFA 3). The NUOFA 3 required two additional evaluation days every three years to meet the OHS Regulations requirements.

CHANGES

1. In collaboration with WorkSafeBC, PEAK is pleased to announce that as of May 1, 2021, those that complete a ‘NUEC 3 Full Course’, ‘NUEC 3 Bridging Course’ or an ‘ASU Review & Evaluation Cycle’ will receive OFA 3 certification in addition to NUEC 3 certification.
2. The NUEC 3 certification process has been modified to meet revised Canadian federal and provincial accreditation training standards. Prior to May 1, 2021, NUEC 3 certificate holders were required to attend a yearly Annual Skills Update (ASU). These ASUs were cyclical (A, B, C, D), with ‘Cycle D’ being an evaluation cycle. As a result of the changes, ‘Cycle D’ will be made obsolete and replaced with a one-day ASU Review & Evaluation cycle integrated into the ASU cycles every three years (see Table 1).

| YEAR | ASU CYCLE |
|------|---------------------|
| 2021 | B |
| 2022 | Review & Evaluation |
| 2023 | C |
| 2024 | A |
| 2025 | Review & Evaluation |
| 2026 | B |
| 2027 | C |
| 2028 | Review & Evaluation |
| 2029 | A |

Table 1: ASU cycles A-C with Review & Evaluation years interspersed on a 3 year rolling cycle. (2021-2029)



HOW WILL THESE CHANGES AFFECT ME?

Existing NUEC 3 Certificate Holders

Certificants that have received NUEC 3 certification prior to May 1, 2021, do not have an OFA 3 designation with their certification. NUEC 3 certificate holders will receive OFA 3 certification upon completing the ASU Review & Evaluation Cycle in 2022.

If you require OFA 3 designation prior to December 31, 2021, you must complete a one day 'NUEC 3 Review & Evaluation Course'. As of January 1, 2022, the 'NUEC 3 Review & Evaluation Course' will be made obsolete and replaced with 'ASU Review & Evaluation Cycles.'

Existing NUOFA 3 Certificate Holders

As of May 1, 2021, the term NUOFA 3 will be replaced with NUEC 3. To maintain NUEC 3 certification, certificants must attend a yearly ASU.

If your OFA 3 designation expires prior to December 31, 2021, you must complete a one day 'NUEC 3 Review & Evaluation Course'. As of January 1, 2022, the 'NUEC 3 Review & Evaluation Course' will be made obsolete and replaced with 'ASU Review & Evaluation Cycles.'

Should you have any additional questions regarding these changes or your certification, please contact PEAK's Registrar at registrar@peakemergencytraining.com, or you can attend via Zoom a question and answer session. Please note that there is a limited capacity of 100 participants per Zoom session.

| DATE | TIME | ZOOM LINK |
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| Sunday, April 18, 2021 | 1730 hrs. PST | https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8985136103 Passcode: 732413 |
| Monday, April 19, 2021 | 1200 hrs. PST | https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8985136103 Passcode: 732413 |
| Monday, April 19, 2021 | 1730 hrs. PST | https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8985136103 Passcode: 732413 |
| Tuesday, April 20, 2021 | 0900 hrs. PST | https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8985136103 Passcode: 732413 |
| Tuesday, April 20, 2021 | 1730 hrs. PST | https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8985136103 Passcode: 732413 |
| Wednesday, April 21, 2021 | 0900 hrs. PST | https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8985136103 Passcode: 732413 |
| Wednesday, April 21, 2021 | 1730 hrs. PST | https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8985136103 Passcode: 732413 |
| Thursday, April 22, 2021 | 0900 hrs. PST | https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8985136103 Passcode: 732413 |
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