

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §30-17-3

## §30-17-3. Definitions.

As used in this article, the following words and terms have the following meanings:

- (a) "Board" means the State Board of Sanitarians.
- (b) "Bureau" means the Bureau for Public Health.
- (c) "Certificate holder" means a person holding a certification issued by the board.
- (d) "Certificate" means a document issued to a sanitarian under the provisions of this article.
- (e) "Environmental health science" means public health science that includes, but is not limited to, the following bodies of knowledge: air quality, food quality and protection, hazardous and toxic substances, consumer product safety, housing, institutional health and safety, community noise control, radiation protection, recreational facilities, solid and liquid waste management, vector control, drinking water quality, milk sanitation and rabies control.
- (f) "License" means a document issued to a registered sanitarian under the provisions of this article.
- (g) "Licensee" means a person holding a license issued by the board.
- (h) "Permit" means a document issued to a sanitarian-in-training under the provisions of this article.
- (i) "Permittee" means a person holding a permit issued by the board.
- (j) "Practice of public health sanitation" means the consultation, instruction, investigation, inspection or evaluation by an employee of the bureau, or a municipal or county health department with the primary purpose of improving or conducting administration of enforcement of state laws and rules.
- (k) "Registered sanitarian" means a person who is licensed by the board and is uniquely qualified by education, specialized training, experience and examination to assist in the enforcement of public health sanitation laws and environmental sanitation regulations, and to effectively plan, organize, manage, evaluate and execute one or more of the many diverse disciplines comprising the field of public health sanitation.
- (l) "Sanitarian" means a person who is certified by the board and is uniquely qualified by education in the arts and sciences, specialized training and credible field experience to assist in the enforcement of public health sanitation laws and environmental sanitation

regulations, and to effectively plan, organize, manage, evaluate and execute one or more of the many diverse disciplines comprising the field of public health sanitation.

(m) "Sanitarian-in-training" means a person who is permitted by the board and possesses the necessary educational qualifications for certificate as a sanitarian, but who has not completed the experience requirements in the fields of public health sanitation and environmental health science as required for certificate.