

**RECOMMENDED  
REFERENCE MATERIALS FOR CALIFORNIA REGISTERED  
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST EXAMINATION**

**Primary Sources**

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**GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH**

**Textbook:**

Environmental Engineering, Salvato, Joseph, 6th Edition, 2009, John Wiley & Sons, Inc  
Water, Wastewater, Soil and Groundwater Treatment and Remediation, Volume 1  
Prevention and Response to Water, Food, Soil and Airborne Disease and Illness, Volume 2  
Environmental Health and Safety for Municipal Infrastructure, Land Use and Planning, and  
Industry, Volume 3

Environmental Health Law, Brown, Sanford M., Forrest, Theodore R., 1984, Preager Publishers

**Web Sites:**

- [www.ceha.org](http://www.ceha.org) California Environmental Health Association
- [www.neha.org](http://www.neha.org) National Environmental Health Association – Journal of Environmental Health
- [www.ccdeh.com](http://www.ccdeh.com) California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health
- [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov) US Environmental Protection Agency
- [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

**FOOD & CONSUMER PROTECTION**

**Publications:**

CDC Manual on Communicable Disease, Heymann, David L., 18<sup>th</sup> edition, 2004, American Public Health Association.

Journal of Food Protection, International Association for Food Protection.

Council to Improve Foodborne Outbreak Response (CIFOR). Guidelines for Foodborne Disease Outbreak Response. Atlanta: Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists, 2009

Standardization of Food Inspections, 2000-2001 or current edition, California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health (CCDEH), California Department of Public Health (CDPH), California Food and Drug Branch (FDA).

**Laws and Regulations**

California Retail Food Code, Jan 2012 [www.cdph.ca.gov/services/Documents/fdbRFC.pdf](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/services/Documents/fdbRFC.pdf)  
California Code of Regulations Sections 13675-13676 Gulf Coast Oysters

**Web Sites:**

- [www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/Pages/FDB%20Food%20Safety%20Program.aspx](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/Pages/FDB%20Food%20Safety%20Program.aspx)
- <http://www.afdo.org> - The Association of Food and Drug Officials

**DRINKING WATER SUPPLY AND TREATMENT**

**Textbooks:**

Water and Wastewater Technology, Hammer, Mark, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2003, Prentice Hall, Inc.  
Water Treatment Plant Operation, Volume I and II, 6th Edition, CSU Sacramento Water Programs

**Laws and Regulations:**

Safe Drinking Water Act, Health and Safety Code Sections 116274-117075  
California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Sections: 63750.10-64710  
Department of Water Resources, Bulletins 74-81 and 74-90, "Water Well Standards"

**Web Sites:**

- [www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/drinkingwater/Pages/Regulations.aspx](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/drinkingwater/Pages/Regulations.aspx) - CDPH Drinking Water Program
- [www.awwa.org/](http://www.awwa.org/) - American Waterworks Association

- [www.owp.csus.edu](http://www.owp.csus.edu) – California State University, Water Education Program

## **HOUSING and INSTITUTIONS**

### **Laws and Regulations:**

Uniform Housing Code, substandard housing, CCR Title 24

Organized Camps: H/S Code Sections: 18897-18897.7; CCR Title 17 Sections: 307000-30752; CCR Title 24, Sections: 2-1301—2-1333; 5-906(d); TABLE No. 5-C-4.

### **Web Sites:**

- [www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/water/Pages/OrganizedCamps.aspx](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/water/Pages/OrganizedCamps.aspx)

## **PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS, BATHING PLACES & RECREATIONAL HEALTH**

### **Publication:**

National Swimming Pool Foundation – Pool and Spa Operator Handbook, 2011 or current edition

### **Laws and Regulations:**

H/S Code sections 116025-116068 and 1797.182

CCR Title 22, Sections: 65501-65551 and Sections 3101B-3162B

CCR Title 24 Section 3101B – 3162B

### **Web Sites:**

- [www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/water/Pages/CaliforniaPublicSwimmingPoolRequirements.aspx](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/water/Pages/CaliforniaPublicSwimmingPoolRequirements.aspx) - CDPH-Environmental Health Branch
- [www.swrcb.ca.gov/beach/index.html](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/beach/index.html) State Water Resources Control Board
- [www.nspf.org](http://www.nspf.org) Certified Pool/Spa Operator Certification Program

## **HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AND WASTE MANAGEMENT**

### **Textbook:**

Guide to Hazardous Materials and Waste Management, Kindschy, Jon W.; Kraft, Marilyn; Carpenter, Molly; 1997, Solano Press.

### **Publication:**

2012 Emergency Response Guidebook, US Department of Transportation

### **Laws and Regulations:**

H/S Code Sections: Hazardous Waste 25120-25250; CUPA 25404-25404.8; Business Plans 25500-25520.

### **Web sites:**

- [www.dtsc.ca.gov](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov) Department of Toxic Substances Control
- [www.cdc.gov/niosh](http://www.cdc.gov/niosh) National Institutes of Safety and Health

## **SOLID and MEDICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT**

### **Laws and Regulations:**

Public Resources Code Sections:

CCR Title 27, Sections 20510-20705

CCR Title 14, Sections: 17301-17350; 17400-17405

Medical Waste Management Act, H/S Code Sections: 117600-118360

### **Web sites:**

- [www.ciwmb.ca.gov](http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov); California Integrated Waste Management Board
- [www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/medicalwaste/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/medicalwaste/Pages/default.aspx) California Department of Public Health
- [www.swana.org](http://www.swana.org) Solid Waste Association of North America

## **MILK AND DAIRY**

## **Laws and Regulations:**

California Retail Food Code, Section 113797, 113996, 114012, 114024, 114073, 114091

### **Web sites:**

- <http://www.fda.gov/Food/FoodborneIllnessContaminants/BuyStoreServeSafeFood/ucm341249.htm>
- [www.safeeggs.com](http://www.safeeggs.com)
- <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Food/FoodSafety/Product-SpecificInformation/MilkSafety/NationalConferenceonInterstateMilkShipmentsNCIMSModelDocuments/UCM291757.pdf>

## **VECTOR CONTROL**

### **Publications:**

Pesticide Application and Safety Training for Applicators of Public Health Pesticides - Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California (MVCAC)

Biology and Control of Mosquitoes in California -Chapter Questions and Practice Examinations booklet- Source: MVCAC

Arthropods of Public Health Significance in California Source: MVCAC

Vertebrates of Public Health Importance in California Source: MVCAC.

### **Web sites:**

- [www.westnile.ca.gov](http://www.westnile.ca.gov) CDPH West Nile Virus public information
- [www.mvcac.org](http://www.mvcac.org) Mosquito Vector Control Association of California
- [www.vector.ucdavis.edu](http://www.vector.ucdavis.edu) Vector Biology Disease Surveillance

## **BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS**

### **Publications:**

Bloodborne Pathogens and Airborne Pathogens training for Healthcare and Workplace Environments 2013, EMS Safety Services, Inc.

### **Web sites:**

- [www.emssafety.com](http://www.emssafety.com) EMS Safety Services 800-215-9555
- [www.osha.gov/SLTC/bloodbornepathogens/index.html](http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/bloodbornepathogens/index.html)
- [www.yourtrainingplaceonline.com](http://www.yourtrainingplaceonline.com)

## **WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT**

### **Textbooks:**

Water and Wastewater Technology, Hammer, Mark, 5th Edition, 2003, Prentice Hall, Inc.

Design Manual for On-site Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1980, EPA 625/1-80-012, 2002 CD Rom and online update.

## **DISASTER RESPONSE and EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

### **Publication:**

Disaster Field Manual for Environmental Health Specialists, California Association of Environmental Health Administrators (CAEHA), 1994

### **Web sites:**

- [www.bt.cdc.gov](http://www.bt.cdc.gov); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - bioterrorism
- [www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/ddwem/environmental/epo/epoindex.htm](http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/ddwem/environmental/epo/epoindex.htm) DHS-Emergency Preparedness Office

## **LEGAL ENFORCEMENT, JURISDICTION, and AUTHORITY**

### **Textbook:**

Environmental Law Handbook, Sullivan, Thomas, et al 17th Edition, 2003, ABS Consulting, Government Institutes.

Public Health Law Manual, Grad, Frank, 2005, American Public Health Association

**Laws and Regulations:**

REHS Statute: California Health and Safety Code, Title 22, Section 106600 - 106735

**Web Sites**

- <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/thomas.html> - searchable database of all US laws.
- [www.ccr.oal.ca.gov](http://www.ccr.oal.ca.gov); searchable database for California regulations.
- [www.leginfo.ca.gov](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov); searchable database for California statutes

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**Additional Reading Material and online Review Courses**

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**ONLINE REVIEW COURSES**

<http://www.healthinspectorclass.com>

**FOOD**

Principles of Food Sanitation Marriott, N G, 4th Edition, 1999, Aspen Publications

Modern Food Microbiology Jay, James M, 6th Edition, 2000, Aspen Publications

Guidelines for Foodborne Disease Outbreak Response, Council to Improve Foodborne Outbreak Response (CIFOR)

Environmental Assessment of Foodborne Illness Outbreaks virtual training

<http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/ehs/News/Features/2014/food-safety-tools.html>

**GENERAL**

Our Global Environment. Nadakavukaren, A. (2005, 6<sup>th</sup> Ed). Waveland Press: Prospect Heights, IL.

Environmental Health Moeller, Dade, W., 1997, Harvard University Press

**EPIDEMIOLOGY**

**Textbooks:**

Epidemiology, Gordis, Leon, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, 2004, Elsevier Science-Health Science div.

**HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT**

**Publications:**

NIOSH Guide to Chemical Hazards, 2004

Occupational Safety and Health Guidance Manual for Hazardous Waste Site-Activities,

NIOSH/OSHA/USCG/EPA, GPO Order No. 017-033-00419-6, 1985,