



Environmental & Medical Gas Services

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ASSE 6020 Medical Gas Maintenance Course Bulletin

About EMGS, Inc.: EMGS is a nationally recognized agency certified to teach ASSE 6000 Series courses. All courses are taught by a credentialed ASSE 6050 medical gas instructor. EMGS has its own course that is approved in multiple states. EMGS prepares candidates to pass the Medical Gas Accreditation (MGA) certification exam as well as the National Inspection Testing Certification (NITC) exam. Both credentialing companies offer ASSE 6040 certification, as well as other ASSE 6000 certifications.

General Information: This standard applies to any individual who maintains medical gas and vacuum systems. The course covers all facets of ASSE standard 6040, NFPA 99, NFPA 55 and NFPA 50. The purpose of this standard is to provide minimum criteria for medical gas systems maintenance personnel.

Prerequisite: ASSE 6000 - 2021 Para 40-3.2.1 “The candidates for ASSE 6040 certification shall be employed or contracted by a health care facility or be actively engaged in working with medical gas systems and shall have one (1) year minimum experience in the maintenance of the medical gas and vacuum systems.”

Course Information: Persons wishing to obtain the ASSE 6040 medical gas maintenance certification must attend a 24-hour training course. Please refer to the course schedule for dates and locations. Cost information can be found by viewing the course flyer. All training materials are included in the course cost.

Exam Information: Candidates must pass a 100 question, multiple choice exam, either open book or closed book depending on which credentialing company issues the exam. The exam is proctored by an approved proctor, and credentials are issued by MGA or NITC. For the open book exam, candidates will receive their grade the same day as testing, provided the exam is taken on a computer. Candidates will receive a card and certificate from MGA or NITC after successfully completing the multiple choice exam. Retesting is available for an additional fee, but must be arranged through MGA or NITC.

Renewal Process: Maintenance personnel must renew their license every three years by taking a course and exam on changes that have been made to the NFPA 99 code book editions. Candidates should consult their license to verify expiration dates.

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Application Process: To register for a class, candidates must complete either the ASSE 6040 application (for MGA) or the NITC medical gas maintenance application (for NITC) and return it to EMGS via fax, mail or email. Please note that all exam fees are included in the EMGS course cost.

PLEASE NOTE: Not all ASSE 6040 courses will offer both MGA and NITC certification. Please check with EMGS before submitting applications, to see which credentialing company will be issuing the exam for the particular course that you may be interested in.