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NCCCO is pleased to announce the availability of a convenient new way to order replacement/updated certification cards immediately online. Use this simplified, streamlined process at your convenience any time of day. [Click here](#) to learn more or to place your order.

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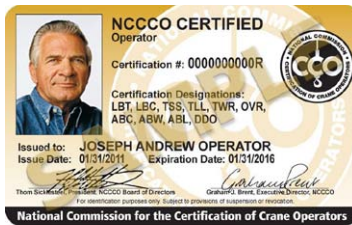
Dear Tara,

"Summertime ... and the livin' is easy." That's a nice thought, but far from the truth for NCCCO, as this month's issue of CCOOnline indicates. Read on for news about the introduction of separate CCO certification cards for crane operators who have also been certified in the Rigger and/or Signalperson categories, as well as new color-coded certification cards for readily identifying qualifications in the field.

You'll also discover that all CCO written exams may now be taken at computer testing centers. Not only are calculators now permissible when taking certain exams, but Manitowoc Cranes has donated 10,000 calculators for candidates' use. And successful candidates even receive a Crane Operator Experience Book.

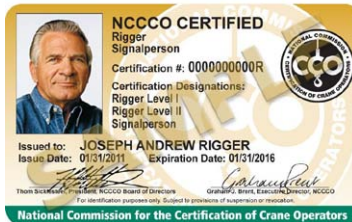
This issue also has news about successful events, including NCCCO's Biannual Meeting, Practical Examiner Workshops in Philadelphia and Salt Lake City, and a Fun Run in Austin to raise awareness of crane safety. One jurisdiction that's acutely aware of crane safety is New York City, which now uses CCO Certification as the referenced credential for crane operators. You'll learn how nothing less than a team of ten CCO-certified operators was needed for the complex lift of an offshore platform deck. And you'll meet the directors and officers who will keep NCCCO moving forward through 2012-2013.

NCCCO Issues Separate Certification Cards



NCCCO has begun to issue separate CCO certification cards to CCO-certified crane operators who have also been certified in the CCO Rigger and/or Signalperson categories. Previously, all certifications were listed on one card. The new cards will also reflect the full five-year certification period for each category. Previously, all certifications had a common expiration date, regardless of when the candidates passed the test(s).

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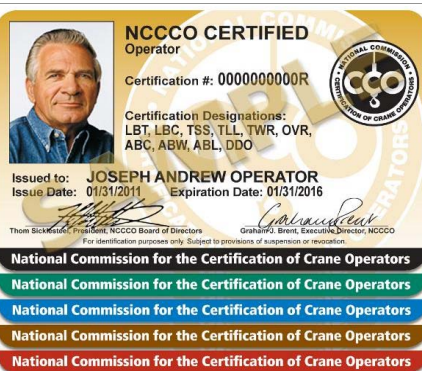
NCCCO Introduces Color-Coded CCO Certification Cards

NCCCO has announced it will

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issue color-coded CCO cards for Operators, Riggers, Signalpersons, Crane Inspectors, Practical Examiners, and Auditors. This new policy has been adopted in response to the growth in the range of certification programs offered by NCCCO as well as the need to readily identify qualifications in the field.



Operator
 Signalperson/Rigger
 Crane Inspector
 Practical Examiner
 Auditor

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CCO Certification Is Benchmark for NYC License

CCO certification is the referenced credential for crane operators in New York City following an announcement by Mayor Michael Bloomberg of strict new licensing and testing requirements for all crane operators that took effect May 26.

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Manitowoc Donates 10,000 Calculators for CCO Exams



To support the National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators' recently revised policy allowing the use of basic calculators on certain CCO written exams, Manitowoc Cranes, Manitowoc, WI, has donated 10,000 calculators for candidates' use.

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NCCCO Elects Directors, Officers for 2012-2013

The NCCCO Board of Directors has announced the industry leaders who will serve the NCCCO Board during 2012-2013.

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Newly Certified Crane Operators Receive Log Books

All newly CCO-certified crane operators now receive a Crane Operator Experience Log Book from NCCCO. The log book, which is provided free of charge within a few weeks of notification of certification, is designed to provide operators with a convenient and centralized place to record their seat time and details of their crane experience.

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IBEW Local 98 Hosts Practical Examiner Workshop

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 98, based in Philadelphia, recently hosted Practical Examiner Accreditation



Program (PEAP) workshops for both the CCO Signalperson program and the CCO Rigger Level I program. Over the course of three days, 13 new Signalperson Practical Examiners and three existing Practical Examiners, as well as 11 new Rigger Level I Practical Examiners and one existing Practical Examiner earned their accreditation to administer CCO practical exams.

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Kiewit CCO Operator Team Makes Huge 10-Crane Lift

Making a complex lift, such as this 10-crane lift of an offshore platform deck performed at Kiewit Offshore Services, takes the most qualified operators available.



The team of ten CCO-certified operators selected for this delicate lift (which also involved walking with the load more than 300 ft.) are part of more than 65 Kiewit Offshore operators who so far have successfully met the NCCCO requirements for CCO certification.

Training for Kiewit Offshore has been provided by East Texas Crane Academy, whose

president, J.R. Williams, is shown (center) flanked by Kiewit General Rigging Superintendent, Larry Schutz, and Pete Laux, Kiewit District Equipment Manager.



NCCCO Holds 32nd Biannual Meeting

Nearly 70 representatives from all sectors of industry from across the country attended the 32nd Biannual Meeting of the National



Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators at the Maritime Institute of Technology near Baltimore, MD, in April. The event comprised three days of committee meetings followed by the full Commission meeting on the last day.

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H & E Hosts Four Examiner Workshops

Thanks to the generous sponsorship by H&E Equipment Services, Salt Lake City, UT, the National



Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators was able to offer an unprecedented array of its Practical Examiner Workshops recently. No less than four workshops were

held in back-to-back sessions during April.

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13th Annual Fun Run Raises Awareness of Crane Safety

As the cool April sun rose over the award-winning Hyatt Regency Lost Pines Resort and Spa near Austin, TX, host of the Specialized Carriers & Rigging Association Annual Conference, 35 participants gathered for the annual CCO 5K Fun Run/Walk. This year marked the 13th straight year that Buckner HeavyLift Cranes, Graham, NC, sponsored the benefit event for the National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators.



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Take Any CCO Written Exam by Computer

Written exams for all seven CCO certification programs are now available via computer based testing (CBT). The most recent addition was the Crane Inspector exam. [Click here](#) to learn more and to complete an application.

NCCCO Wants to Hear From You!

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