

Credential Recognition Replaces Equivalency Designation

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Effective January 2, 2018, crane operators from other jurisdictions will no longer be issued a BC Equivalency Certificate. They will be processed under a new credential recognition pilot process and will be 'verified as compliant'.

Crane operators with credentials from other Canadian provinces, the United States, Ireland, and the United Kingdom can work in British Columbia based on recognition of their home jurisdiction credential by British Columbia.

Application for the designation is submitted to BC Crane Safety and the credential is verified. There is currently no processing fee for this service. After processing, the applicant will receive electronic notification that their home jurisdiction credential has been verified as compliant and recognized in British Columbia.

The official Compliance Verification Statement is in the form of a digital card. It is designed to be displayed on a smart phone or tablet.



How to Verify that an Operator is Compliant

Compliance can be verified online with BC Crane Safety's Credential Checker available on the home page of the website at bccranesafety.ca/credential-checker. All that is needed to do a credential check is the crane operator's last name and their BC Crane Safety ID number. If necessary, a WorkSafeBC officer can email info@bccranesafety.ca and request verification.

Who is Responsible for What

The operator is responsible for reviewing all applicable WorkSafeBC OHS regulations and guidelines as outlined in the credential recognition application package. Some restrictions and other requirements may also apply.