

## WELCOME TO IRRIGATION AUSTRALIA'S CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

If you are currently installing and certifying irrigation water meters for agriculture or commercial fields you may be eligible to become a Certified Irrigation Meter Validator. The certification grants you a point of difference in the market and a Certified Irrigation Meter Validator is highly regarded by customers to provide a service that meets or exceeds the average industry standards.

### APPLYING FOR METER VALIDATOR CERTIFICATION

To apply you'll need to be actively working in the irrigation industry, plus have three (3) years relevant experience that includes:

- Operation of irrigation and drainage systems
- Installation of flow measurement devices
- Identifying and troubleshooting problems
- Measuring and monitoring system performance

### OBTAINING CERTIFICATION

To become Certified, you'll need to prove that you can meet the requirements of the following six (6) competencies (or equivalent):

1. **NWPIRR014** - Install meters for rural water supplies
2. **NWPIRR022** - Maintain meters for rural water supplies
3. **BSBWHS201A** - Contribute to health and safety of self and others
4. **NWPGEN003** Apply environmental and licensing procedures of the water industry
5. **NWPNET002** - Prepare and restore work site
6. **NWPNET011** - Locate, identify and protect utilities

Irrigation Australia strongly recommend that you obtain NWPIRR014 and NWPIRR022 through an approved training course, Irrigation Australia run these programs frequently.

### PROVING COMPETENCY

To prove these competencies you have to get a Statement of Attainment for each of your nominated competencies from a relevant Registered Training Organisation (RTO). Irrigation Australia operates its own RTO - Irrigation Training Australia. To search for RTOs, go to [www.training.gov.au](http://www.training.gov.au)

### CERTIFICATION FOR NON URBAN WATER SUPPLY METERING

Keep up with the latest on metering and metering standards for non urban water supply.

- SAI Global website - standards for meters for non-urban water supply - look for ATS 4747
- National Measurement Institute website - pattern approval for meters intended for the metering of water - look for NMI M 10-1 to 3, and NMI M 11-1 to 3

### ONGOING COMMITMENT TO BEST PRACTICE

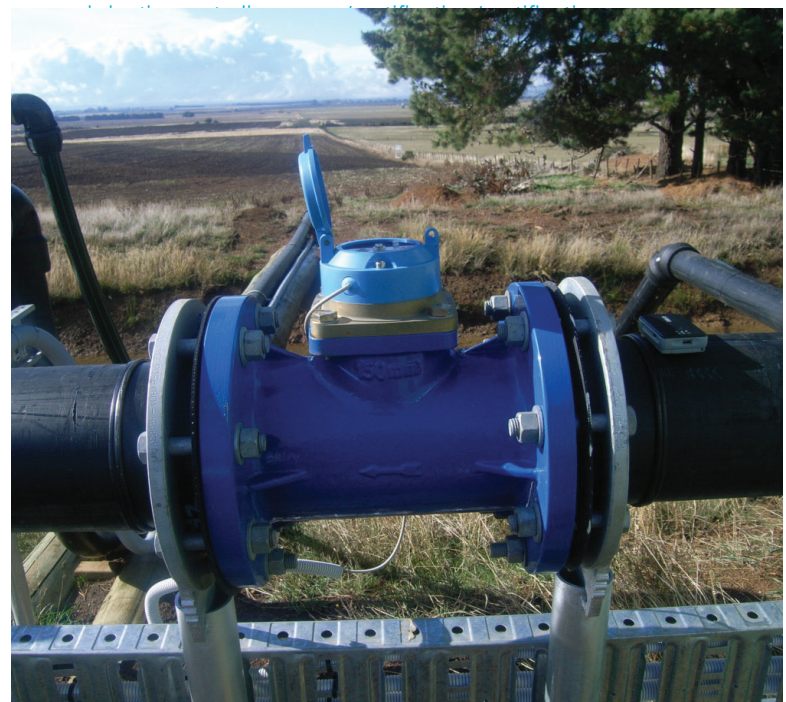
Once you become a Certified Irrigation Meter Validator you'll need to keep your skills and knowledge current by participating in a range of irrigation-related activities. Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Points will be earned for each type of activity and at the end of two years, provided sufficient points have been you can apply for renewal of your certificate

### TO APPLY

Once you have Statements of Attainment or an academic transcript covering the relevant competencies from an RTO, fill out the IAL certification application form (available from the IAL website) with your work history and attach "sighted" copies of your documents and return to IAL with the certification fee. Sighted copies are those that are verified by a JP as an accurate copy of the original. Please do not send your originals.

### CERTIFICATION FEES

Fees for attaining certification, and for the biennial renewal, are available from the Irrigation Australia website



PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE SUBSTANTIAL DISCOUNTS FOR IAL MEMBERS.