

# Fall 2024 Visible Emissions (VE) Certification

A VE certification course (EPA Reference Method 9) consisting of a lecture session and several field sessions will be held October 1-3, 2024, in Bismarck at the Environmental Training Center (2639 East Main Avenue). The lecture session also covers EPA Reference Method 22 addressing the visual determination of fugitive emissions from material sources and smoke emissions from flares. There is no fee for the training.

The lecture session is mandatory for initial certification and limited to **30 attendees**. Registrations will be accepted by emailing [airquality@nd.gov](mailto:airquality@nd.gov) until September 27, 2024. Registration is accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, so early pre-registration is encouraged.

## Schedule

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| Tuesday, October 1   | 8:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.<br>8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon<br>1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Lecture Session<br>Field Session A: 2-3 Runs<br>Field Session B: 2-3 Runs |
| Wednesday, October 2 | 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon<br>1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.                           | Field Session C: 2-3 Runs<br>Field Session D: 2-3 Runs                    |
| Thursday, October 3  | 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon  | Field Session E: 2-3 Runs   |

**Note:** Persons may complete an on-line, commercially produced Reference Method 9 Lecture Presentation in lieu of attending the lecture session in Bismarck. A certification of attendance or completion for the on-line course will be required to satisfy the lecture component which is necessary for initial certification.

The Department no longer mails individual VE certification cards. A list of individuals certified for 6 months is maintained on the Training page of the Division's website: <https://deq.nd.gov/AQ/Training.aspx>. This list serves as the official record of certification. Certificates of completion are available upon request.

### General Reminders:

- Bring a pen for use during lecture and field sessions
- Field sessions are conducted under all weather conditions. Unless there is lightning in the vicinity or extreme winds, we will be conducting field sessions. We recommend noting the days weather and dressing accordingly. Sturdy shoes are recommended.

Please inform other persons who may be interested in attending this training. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Keith Hinnenkamp or Rebekah Pfaff at 701-328-5188; or by email: [khinnenk@nd.gov](mailto:khinnenk@nd.gov) or [rpffaff@nd.gov](mailto:rpffaff@nd.gov).

**North Dakota  
Department of Environmental Quality  
Division of Air Quality**

**Visible Emissions (VE) Training  
Class Registration Form**

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| Name:         |
| Email:        |
| Phone Number: |
| Company Name: |

**Training Schedule**

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| Tuesday   | 8:30 am to 11:45 am   | Classroom Lecture       |
| Tuesday   | 8:30 am to 12:00 noon | Recertify Field Session |
| Tuesday   | 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm*   | Recertify Field Session |
| Wednesday | 8:30 am to 12:00 noon | Recertify Field Session |
| Wednesday | 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm    | Recertify Field Session |
| Thursday  | 8:30 am to 12:00 noon | Recertify Field Session |

(\*Generally reserved for those attending the Tuesday morning class.)

**Note:** Pre-registration is no longer required for those only needing 6-month recertification.

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| Comments:   |
| <b>Certificates of completion made available upon request two weeks after course completion</b> |

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