

Department of Environment and Labour

Adjudicative Board Selection Criteria

ADJUDICATIVE BOARD		Power Engineers and Operators Appeal Committee
1	Statute	Crane Operators and Power Engineers Act Power Engineers Regulations
2	Purpose	The purpose of the Power Engineers and Operators Appeal Committee is to fairly adjudicate appeals in a manner that will ensure the appropriate certification of power engineers and operators and the appropriate certification of boiler, compressor and refrigeration plants in Nova Scotia.
3	Functions	The function of the Committee is to hear appeals from persons aggrieved by decisions of the Inspector Examiner or Inspectors of the Public Safety Division of the Department of Environment and Labour. An appeal may be made to the Committee with respect to: suspension or cancellation of a certificate of qualification; an application for plant registration; or the staffing and supervision requirements of a plant.
4	Composition	The Committee is composed of three members and three alternate members. One of the members shall be appointed to act as Chair and one of the alternate members may be appointed to act as alternate chair. The three members must include one inter-provincial first class power engineer, one Professional Engineer, and one representative of an owner of a registered plant.
5	Formal Qualifications	<p>The Professional Engineer must be a mechanical engineer and must be employed in a field related to a plant on the date of the appointment to the Committee. This may include experience in the design, fabrication, installation or operation of steam boilers, refrigeration systems, compressor or gas plants.</p> <p>The Certified 1st Class Power Engineer must be employed as a power engineer on the date of their appointment to the Committee.</p> <p>The Representative of an Owner must represent the owner of a registered boiler, refrigeration or compressor plant.</p>
6	Work & Experience Requirements	The Professional Engineer and the Power Engineer must be employed in the field related to plants and power engineering on their date of appointment to the Committee. Preference will be given to owner representatives who play an active role in the daily operation of a plant.

7	Skills Required	The Committee members must have a practical understanding of boiler, compressor and refrigeration plants in Nova Scotia, a good knowledge of Part II of the Crane Operators and Power Engineers Act, and the Power Engineers Regulations, and a strong desire for public safety. Additionally, all members of the Committee must possess decision making ability, good communication skills, a high degree of integrity, past experience in community related activities and a good reputation amongst their peers. Any individual interested in the position of Chair must have excellent leadership abilities with experience in chairing boards or large meetings and proven accomplishments in negotiation, problem solving and leading groups to bring about consensus decisions. The Chair further requires exceptional communication skills including demonstrated ability to communicate in public forums.
8	Statutory Nomination Requirements	The owner representative must submit a letter of endorsement by an owner.
9	Traditional Nomination Requirements	Members should not have a common employer. Members should be drawn from a number of different industries in which plants are employed. Broad geographic representation is sought on the Committee from the various regions of the Province. Members should also contribute to the gender and racial diversity of the Committee. The Chair has traditionally been the member qualified as a Professional Engineer.
10	Remuneration	Members and alternate members are remunerated at the rate of \$150 per day plus reasonable and necessary expenses. The Chair and alternate chair are remunerated at the rate of \$400 per day plus reasonable and necessary expenses.
11	Anticipated Time Commitments	This is a part-time position and the workload will vary depending on the number of appeals and the complexity of the issues. There may be between four and eight appeals per year.
12	Other Notes	Members are generally appointed for three year terms.