



OPCA training utilizes a blended learning method combining home study material with online tools and in-class review sessions with qualified instructors.

- Home study materials
- Online learning tools
- In-class review / exam session

Students can study the material on their own time, each course taking on average forty hours of study time to complete.

Students can access OPCA's online learning platform [OPCALearning.org](http://OPCALearning.org) OPCA's online learning tools improve the interaction between students and training providers while the student completes the home study program and ensures the student's success in the program.



## PETROLEUM MECHANIC TRAINING PROGRAM

### Available Courses

#### PMH – PETROLEUM MECHANIC HELPER

##### Prerequisite to PM1, PM2 & PM3

- Introduction to codes & basic safety requirements
- Routine & non-routine maintenance on dispensing equipment
- Leak and spill response



#### PM1 – SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE

- Install & remove suction pumps & related systems
- Repair & maintain suction pumps & related systems
- Repair & maintain submersible pumps, dispensers & related systems



#### PM2 – UNDERGROUND INSTALLATION

- Install underground tanks
- Remove underground tanks
- Install petroleum transfer systems
- Install, repair, and maintain systems for leak detection & tank monitoring
- Install and remove submersible pumps



#### PM3 – ABOVEGROUND INSTALLATION

- Install aboveground tanks
- Remove aboveground tanks
- Install & repair and maintain systems for leak detection & tank monitoring
- Install, remove, repair, & maintain bulk handling equipment



#### SO – SITE OPERATOR

A Site Operator (SO) license allows an individual to perform the necessary functions to managing and/or operating a fuel facility:

- Regulation & Codes
- Record keeping
- Inventory control & Reconciliation
- Routine & non-routine maintenance on dispensing equipment
- Leak & Spill Response



## Practical Experience Requirement

PM1 – 1000 hours  
PM2 – 2000 hours  
PM3 – 500 hours

Individuals must work under the supervision of a licensed PM holding the appropriate license for the certification they are working toward.

PMH and SO: No practical experience hours are required. Individuals complete a practical evaluation on the maintenance of dispensing equipment at the time of the review and written exam.

## To Register

Visit the OPCA website for information and to register

[www.OPCAonline.org](http://www.OPCAonline.org)

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Toll-Free 1.866.360.6722

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OPCA Petroleum Mechanic Training Programs are accredited by the Technical Standards & Safety Authority



## CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Students combine their theoretical training, exams and on the job training under a licensed PM to gain the necessary skills. The hours of practical experience vary for each license. Once an individual completes the requirements, they can apply to TSSA for their Petroleum Mechanic license.

### Steps to certification:

- Complete Home Study Course
- Attend Review / Exam session
- Gain on the job training experience
- Apply to TSSA for Certification

## ONLINE VIDEO TUTORIALS

OPCA students can access our online tutorials for tank installation, piping, and dispenser maintenance and activities that challenge the student based on what they have learned throughout the course.



OPCA Online Tutorials

## REVIEW & EXAM SESSIONS

OPCA petroleum mechanic course participants are provided with a one day in-class course review with a certified instructor. The TSSA certification exam is written following the review session. Registration for the review/exam sessions is required. OPCA Review/Exam sessions are scheduled several times throughout the year. Visit the OPCA website for upcoming dates and location.

