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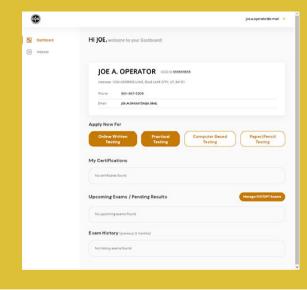
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myCCO Portal Launches Dec 1

We are launching a completely revamped myCCO portal for all candidates. Through the myCCO portal, candidates can provide/update their contact information, apply for CCO exams, and see recent exam results and current certifications.

Signing up with myCCO will be simple, free, one-time process to be completed before applications can be submitted. Each candidate will need a unique, personal email address to create an account. Read more.

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Happy Thanksgiving

This Thanksgiving, we want to share our genuine appreciation with you. Without your commitment to safety, CCO would not be where it is today, and we're so thankful for all of your support throughout the years.

In observance of the holiday, the CCO offices will be closed on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25.

We hope you have a safe and happy holiday.



More Reasons to Visit CONEXPO 2023



Coming on the heels of numerous new initiatives announced in 2022, CONEXPO 2023 will provide an excellent opportunity to get up to speed on what's new at CCO. The event—the largest construction show

in North America—will be held March 14–18, 2023, in Las Vegas, NV. Once again, CCO's presence will be felt across the show, from the information booth in the Grand Lobby, to written and practical exams, Practical Proctor training and credentialing, Practical Exam Proctor Program workshops, and numerous crane-and-rigging related educational seminars. Read more

CONEXPO 2023 Registration Discounts

We are excited to offer our stakeholders deep discounts on registration and education! There is still time to save up to 50% off!

CONEXPO REGISTRATION

Task Force Chair Dotto Discusses Telehandler Operator Certification

On December 1, CCO will begin taking applications for the new Telehandler Operator certification exams. As the Telehandler Task Force puts the final touches on the written and practical exams that will be required for CCO certification, CCO sat down with the Task Force chair Tony Dotto, general manager at The Crane School near Tampa, Florida, to discuss why and how this new certification was developed.

Dotto explained that the recent OSHA Compliance Directive to the crane rule (1926 Subpart CC) indicates that OSHA intends to enforce operator certification when forklifts have a boom/jib and a hoist. Additionally, under OSHA 1910.178, evaluation requirements already



exist. ANSI/ITSDF B56.6 has requirements for the operator as well. CCO's new telehandler operator

certification will be the first certification available in the U.S. that meets all three standards. This provides the highest level of compliance for employers as well as the greatest flexibility for employees. Read more

Seeking Volunteers to Develop New Credential for Evaluators



In response to numerous industry requests for a standardized mechanism to comply with OSHA requirements for crane operators to be evaluated, CCO has announced plans to develop the first national credential for evaluators of crane operators.

OSHA has made it clear that the evaluators of operators need to be qualified and that crane operator qualifications do not necessarily apply.

To create the strongest program possible, CCO seeks the expertise of those who are currently serving as evaluators of crane operators to serve on the task force that will develop this credential. Read more

Ready for ASME Rigger Requirements?

ASMEs updated the B30.5 Standard as it relates to Riggers. A "qualified" rigger must be must be on-sight when a crane with a lifting capacity of 2,000 lbs or more is being used. The rigger must be qualified through written and a practical test. This applies to ALL industries.

CCO Rigger certification is the easiest way to document qualification! Find out how to become certified.



2023 Candidate Exam Fees Set

Over the past several years, CCO has been simplifying its sometimes-overcomplicated exam fee structure to reduce and streamline fees. Beginning January 1, 2023, CCO's candidate fee structure will be updated

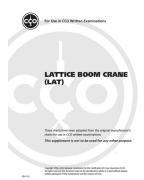
to include both Event Online Testing (EOT) and Online Proctored Testing (OPT) options, as well as reduced fees for computer-based testing (CBT), and an adjustment to practical exam fees. Read more or see the exam fees.

CCO to Simplify Lattice Boom Crane Operator Certifications

Effective January 2023, CCO will be simplifying the Mobile Crane Operator Program by combining lattice boom truck and lattice boom crawler cranes into a single Lattice Boom Crane (LAT) certification. Just as the Telescopic Boom Crane Operator certifications cover the machine regardless of how it is mounted, this move will create consistency in the Mobile Crane Operator program and will require fewer exams, making it simpler and less expensive for candidates to become certified or recertify. The new Lattice Boom Crane exam will assess operator knowledge on both tire- and track-mounted lattice boom cranes. Read more



Mobile Specialty Written Exam Load Chart Updates



Certifications issued by CCO have never been equipment manufacturer—specific, yet candidates have been required to choose a load chart for a specific manufacturer to test on. This creates confusion as to whether the CCO certification is equipment manufacturer-specific, encourages training to specific load charts over general theories and principals of crane operation, and limits the knowledge areas that can be tested. For these reasons, starting January 1, 2023, for all Mobile Crane Operator Specialty exams, CCO will offer a single exam option, using a generic load chart, rather than offering multiple manufacturer-specific load chart options. Read more

CCO Certification Cards Get a Makeover

In an effort to ensure that stakeholders have access to the most current information when verifying Certification, CCO cards issued as of January 1 will include:

- Certificant name
- CCO ID
- QR Code

Cards will no longer be issued with specific certification designations or dates.



Instead of reviewing a card, stakeholders will use their mobile devices to "scan" the QR code with the camera. This will take stakeholders directly to the Verify CCO Online (VCO) where all full certification information including designations and expiration dates will be displayed. If the QR code cannot be utilized for some reason, the CCO ID, a 9-digit number assigned to each candidate, can be typed into the VCO. This will ensure those verifying CCO certification will always have the most up-to-date information at their fingertips. This move also hopes to reduce incidence of fraudulent cards.

CCO Moves to Grant Full Certification Cycles



We are happy to announce that CCO will be de-bundling certification cycles to ensure that most candidates receive the full term of their certification period. An individual who is currently certified and chooses to add a new designation will be granted a certification that has issue and expiration dates independent of the certification they already held. Read more



This Month in CCO history: November 1989

The jib of a hammerhead tower crane being jumped in the center of San Francisco's financial district at morning rush hour crashes to the ground. Once the dust has settled, five are dead, including a member of the public, and dozens injured. State-regulated crane inspections result. Although it will be 15 years before California requires crane operators to be certified, the incident provides major impetus to an existing industry initiative that, in 1995, leads to the establishment of CCO and the country's first professionally developed national certification program.

Today CCO has expanded to offer 28 certification designation options assisting hundreds of thousands of individuals to make the industry safer.

CCO in the News

We're not the only ones who love talking about CCO Certification! Industry media outlets are abuzz with news and commentary about the nation's first and leading certification program for crane operators and related crafts. Take a look at what the press is saying:

<u>ASME B30.5 Standard Sets Requirements for Mobile Rigger Qualification</u> - The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) has released an updated standard on mobile and locomotive cranes that includes a clear definition of the role a qualified rigger plays in a lifting operation.

The standard now requires the presence of one qualified rigger any time a mobile crane more than 2,000 lbs. capacity is at work. *Crane Equipment Guide* – August 2022

2023 Sponsorship Opportunities



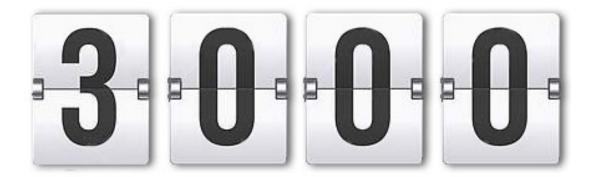
- myCCO Mobile App
- CCO Online Directories
- Task Force, Committee, and Commission Meetings
- Meeting Breaks
- Wi-Fi/Audio-Visual
- Room Keys
- Training Providers Roundtables

There are now even more ways to get your brand in front of CCO stakeholders in 2023!

A number of digital assets have been added to the program including online directories. Commit early in order to get the full benefits in 2023! There are sponsorships available at levels to meet any budget.

Check out all of the opportunities and benefits of <u>Sponsorship</u>. For more information, or to secure an opportunity, contact Tara Whittington at (703) 560-2391 ext 206 or <u>twhittington@nccco.org</u>.

CCO by the Numbers



CCO has credentialed more than 3000 practical proctors.

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