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DETERMINATION: Comprehensive, Closed Book WellCAP Examinations

The WellCAP testing protocol, first defined in Bulletin 07-02 and later clarified in Bulletin 10-01, left the matter of “closed book” or “open book” final examinations open to interpretation by individual training providers. In an effort to ensure consistency in examination practices, the Well Control Committee requested public comments on the issue. The Committee instructed the WellCAP Review Panel to review the current WellCAP testing protocol, the public comments received, and make a final determination on the issue of open versus closed book testing.

Public comments were solicited and reviewed by the Review Panel at its meeting on 18 April 2011. The following determinations were made by the WellCAP Review Panel:

- All final WellCAP examinations must be “closed book” in accordance with the provisions of Bulletins 07-02 and 10-01.
- Course quizzes and intermediate examinations may be “open book” format provided the final examination is comprehensive and closed book.
- If intermediate examinations are to form a final composite score of a student’s course performance, all intermediate examinations must be “closed book”. Collectively, the intermediate examinations must provide a comprehensive assessment of the student’s knowledge and understanding of the specific WellCAP course content for which assessment is being conducted.

This determination is effective immediately for all new WellCAP applicants and must be applied by all accredited WellCAP training providers no later than **15 June 2011**.

The WellCAP Handbook for Accreditation, Form WCT-01, is currently under revision to reflect this determination. The revised Handbook will be issued on or about 30 June 2011.

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