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## IADC WELL CONTROL ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

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This bulletin is issued to all schools that are accredited or are now in the process of completing an Application for Accreditation.

#### **DETERMINATION: Acceptability of IWCF certificate to satisfy WellCAP instructor qualifications**

The WellCAP instructor qualifications, as defined in Bulletin 04-02 and later clarified in Bulletin 09-01, states that, "A valid supervisory certificate will remain one of the options available for qualification, but it must be from a school other than the one submitting the instructor for approval". The applicability of this requirement to the International Well Control Forum (IWCF) supervisory certificate came under question at a recent meeting of the Well Control Committee. Following discussions, the Committee's Chairman requested public comments on the issue and instructed the WellCAP Review Panel to make a final determination on whether or not to apply the "different school" requirement to the IWCF certificate.

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

- WellCAP will continue to require instructors to hold supervisory well control certificates that have been issued by a school other than the school for which the instructor currently works or is employed if the supervisory well control certificate is being provided as evidence of instructor qualifications.
- The IWCF supervisory well control certificate will be accepted as evidence of WellCAP instructor qualifications, provided the certificate is issued by a provider (or IWCF assessment center) other than the one for which the instructor is employed or working.

This determination is effective immediately for all new WellCAP instructor applicants or instructors seeking to upgrade their approval. Those seeking to maintain his/her WellCAP instructor approval must comply by **30 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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