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What is Qualification and Certification?

Qualification is evidence of education, training, and knowledge gained. Certification is the procedure by which a Certification Body gives written assurance that a person is competent for a specified class of work. The document issued is a Certificate of Competency.

A Qualification is valid for life and cannot be withdrawn e.g. a degree, or IIW Diploma such as the IWI B and IWI S.

WTIA Certified Senior Welding Inspector (CSWI or Certified Welding Inspector (CWI)

Ongoing certification provides written assurance that an individual is competent to carry out a specified class of work, in this case welding inspection. It is valid for a set period of time, and proof of on-going competence is required to achieve the necessary regular re-certification. Certification can, in fact, be withdrawn if it has been proven that the individual has dropped below the competency level required. Thus certification gives both the individual, and the industry in which they work, the confidence to know that the person can carry out their work professionally, in line with current regulations, standards and requirements, and that they continue to enhance their knowledge and skills on a regular basis.

To align Australian industry and its welding inspection personnel with the global market, WTIA has introduced two levels of certified welding inspector. After initial certification, renewal is after five years and re-certification after ten years.

A summary is given below for those wishing to apply for certification.

1. *Holders of the IIW International Welding Inspector Standard (IWI S) Level Diploma obtained through WTIA.*

Such personnel can apply on form MF:33 (attached) for their Certification as a WTIA Certified Senior Welding Inspector (CSWI).

2. *Holders of the IIW International Welding inspector Basic (IWI B) Level Diploma obtained through WTIA.*

Such personnel can apply on form MF:32 for their certification as a WTIA Certified Welding Inspector (CWI).

Successful applicants will be issued with a new WTIA CSWI or CWI Certificate and wallet card.

Please note that the administration process could take up to 8 weeks time from start to finish depending on receipt of the full and correct information from the applicant.

You can obtain the application forms from the website: www.wtia.com.au under "Downloadable Documents" or contact Federal Office on 02 9748 4443 telephone, fax 02 9748 2858, or email: a.cantero@wtia.com.au

Please send me the application forms for certification as a:
WTIA Certified Senior Welding Inspector (CSWI)
WTIA Certified Welding Inspector (CWI)

Name: _____

Postal Address: _____

Fax: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____