RECOMMENDED
REFERENCE MATERIALS FOR CALIFORNIA REGISTERED
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST EXAMINATION

Primary Sources

GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
Textbook:
- Water, Wastewater, Soil and Groundwater Treatment and Remediation, Volume 1
- Prevention and Response to Water, Food, Soil and Airborne Disease and Illness, Volume 2
- Environmental Health and Safety for Municipal Infrastructure, Land Use and Planning, and Industry, Volume 3


Web Sites:
- www.ceha.org California Environmental Health Association
- www.neha.org National Environmental Health Association – Journal of Environmental Health
- www.ccdeh.com California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health
- www.epa.gov US Environmental Protection Agency
- www.cdc.gov Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

FOOD & CONSUMER PROTECTION
Publications:

Journal of Food Protection, International Association for Food Protection.


Standardization of Food Inspections, 2000-2001 or current edition, California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health (CCDEH), California Department of Public Health (CDPH), California Food and Drug Branch (FDA).

Laws and Regulations
California Retail Food Code, Jan 2012 www.cdph.ca.gov/services/Documents/fdbRFC.pdf
California Code of Regulations Sections 13675-13676 Gulf Coast Oysters

Web Sites:
- www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/Pages/FDB%20Food%20Safety%20Program.aspx
- http://www.afdo.org - The Association of Food and Drug Officials

DRINKING WATER SUPPLY AND TREATMENT
Textbooks:


Laws and Regulations:
Safe Drinking Water Act, Health and Safety Code Sections 116274-117075
California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Sections: 63750.10-64710
Department of Water Resources, Bulletins 74-81 and 74-90, “Water Well Standards”

Web Sites:
- www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/drinkingwater/Pages/Regulations.aspx - CDPH Drinking Water Program
- www.awwa.org/ - American Waterworks Association
- www.owp.csus.edu – California State University, Water Education Program

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HOUSING and INSTITUTIONS
Laws and Regulations:
Uniform Housing Code, substandard housing, CCR Title 24
Organized Camps: H/S Code Sections: 18897-18897.7; CCR Title 17 Sections: 307000-30752; CCR Title 24, Sections: 2-1301—2-1333; 5-906(d); TABLE No. 5-C-4.
Web Sites:
  - [www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/water/Pages/OrganizedCamps.aspx](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/water/Pages/OrganizedCamps.aspx)

PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS, BATHING PLACES & RECREATIONAL HEALTH
Publication:
Laws and Regulations:
H/S Code sections 116025-116068 and 1797.182
CCR Title 22, Sections: 65501-65551 and Sections 3101B-3162B
CCR Title 24 Section 3101B – 3162B
Web Sites:
  - [www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/water/Pages/CaliforniaPublicSwimmingPoolRequirements.aspx](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/water/Pages/CaliforniaPublicSwimmingPoolRequirements.aspx) - CDPH-Environmental Health Branch
  - [www.swrcb.ca.gov/beach/index.html](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/beach/index.html) State Water Resources Control Board

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AND WASTE MANAGEMENT
Textbook:
Publication:
2012 Emergency Response Guidebook, US Department of Transportation
Laws and Regulations:
H/S Code Sections: Hazardous Waste 25120-25250; CUPA 25404-25404.8; Business Plans 25500-25520.
Web sites:
  - [www.dtsc.ca.gov](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov) Department of Toxic Substances Control
  - [www.cdc.gov/niosh](http://www.cdc.gov/niosh) National Institutes of Safety and Health

SOLID and MEDICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT
Laws and Regulations:
Public Resources Code Sections:
CCR Title 27, Sections 20510-20705
CCR Title 14, Sections: 17301-17350; 17400-17405
Medical Waste Management Act, H/S Code Sections: 117600-118360
Web sites:
  - [www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/medicalwaste/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/medicalwaste/Pages/default.aspx) California Department of Public Health
  - [www.swana.org](http://www.swana.org) Solid Waste Association of North America

VECTOR CONTROL
Publications:
Pesticide Application and Safety Training for Applicators of Public Health Pesticides - Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California (MVCAC)

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Biology and Control of Mosquitoes in California - Chapter Questions and Practice Examinations booklet - Source: MVCAC
Arthropods of Public Health Significance in California Source: MVCAC
Vertebrates of Public Health Importance in California Source: MVCAC.

Web sites:
- www.westnile.ca.gov  CDPH West Nile Virus public information
- www.mvcac.org  Mosquito Vector Control Association of California
- www.vector.ucdavis.edu  Vector Biology Disease Surveillance

BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS
Publications:
Bloodborne Pathogens and Airborne Pathogens training for Healthcare and Workplace Environments 2013, EMS Safety Services, Inc.

Web sites:
- www.emssafety.com  EMS Safety Services 800-215-9555
- www.osha.gov/SLTC/bloodbornepathogens/index.html

WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT
Textbooks:

DISASTER RESPONSE and EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
Publication:
Disaster Field Manual for Environmental Health Specialists, California Association of Environmental Health Administrators (CAEHA), 1994

Web sites:
- www.bt.cdc.gov; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - bioterrorism
- www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/ddwem/environmental/epo/epoindex.htm  DHS-Emergency Preparedness Office

LEGAL ENFORCEMENT, JURISDICTION, and AUTHORITY
Textbook:

Laws and Regulations:
REHS Statute: California Health and Safety Code, Title 22, Section 106600 - 106735

Web Sites
- www.ccr.oal.ca.gov; searchable database for California regulations.
- www.leginfo.ca.gov; searchable database for California statutes

Additional Reading Material

FOOD
GENERAL
Environmental Health Moeller, Dade, W., 1997, Harvard University Press

EPIDEMIOLOGY
Textbooks:

HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT
Publications:
NIOSH Guide to Chemical Hazards, 2004
Occupational Safety and Health Guidance Manual for Hazardous Waste Site-Activities,
NIOSH/OSHA/USCG/EPA, GPO Order No. 017-033-00419-6, 1985,