
State Water Resources Control Board

Roadmap to ELAP Accreditation: Application Requirements

On May 5, 2020, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted new CA ELAP regulations, which take effect on January 1, 2021. Laboratories should utilize this document as guidance to determining when changes to application requirements will affect them.

If your certificate expires in 2020:

- No changes to application requirements
- 2016 TNI Standard not required
- On-site assessment report and corrective action plan required in application if certificate expires after Jan. 1, 2021, but ELAP is waiving this requirement
- Current PT requirements in place
- Interim certs expiring in 2020 do not require an application. ELAP will extend your cert until 2021, at which time you must apply and meet the requirements in the 2021 column to the right

If your certificate expires in 2021:

- Changes to PT process if a result is scored “not acceptable” by vendor
- 2016 TNI Standard not required
- On-site assessment report and corrective action plan required in application, but ELAP is waiving this requirement
- Interim certs expiring in 2021 do not require an application. ELAP will extend your cert until 2022, at which time you must apply and meet the requirements in the 2022 column to the right

If your certificate expires in 2022:

- All applications require On-Site Assessment Report and approved Corrective Action Plan
- 2016 TNI Standard not required
- Changes to PT process if a result is scored “not acceptable” by vendor

If your certificate expires in 2023:

- All applications require On-Site Assessment Report and approved Corrective Action Plan
- 2016 TNI Standard not required
- Changes to PT process if a result is scored “not acceptable” by vendor

If your certificate expires in 2024:

- All new application requirements are in place
- 2016 TNI Standard required for all
- On-site assessment report and approved corrective action plan required with all applications
- Changes to PT process if a result is scored “not acceptable” by vendor

More information about the “Roadmap to ELAP Accreditation” will be posted to www.waterboards.ca.gov/elap.