

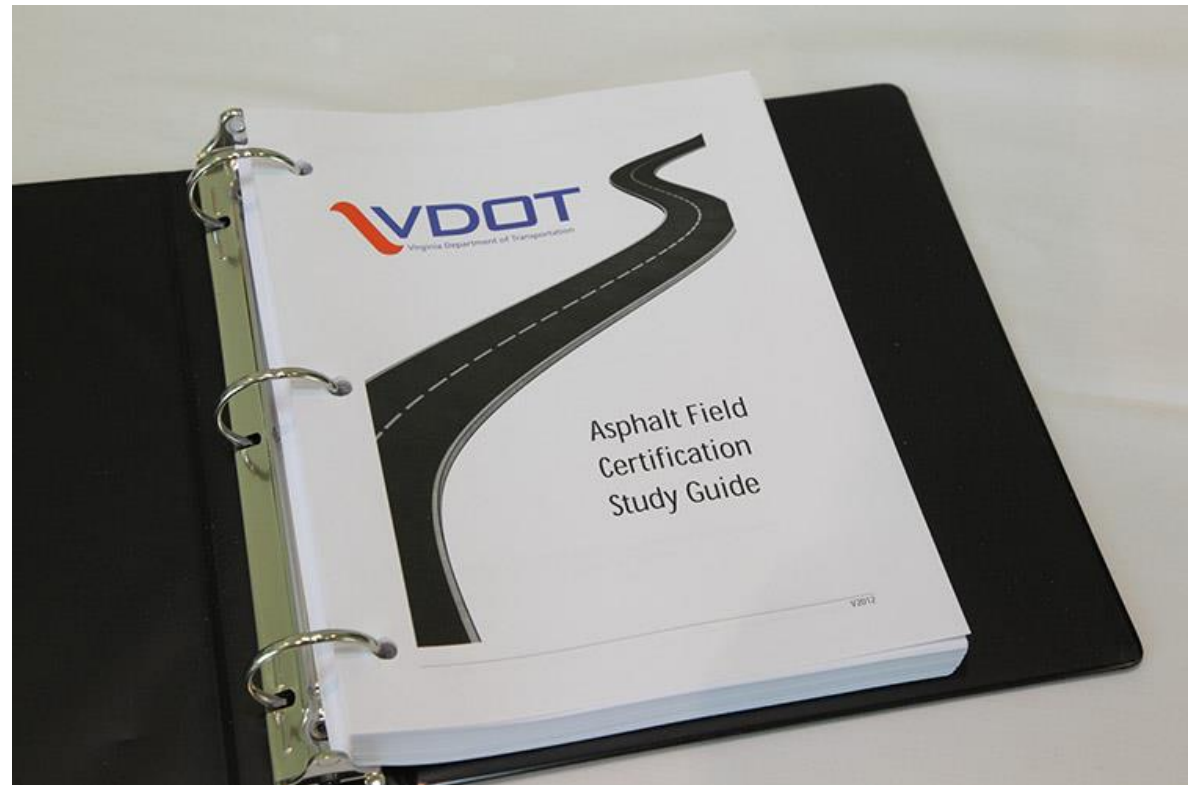


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Materials Certification Schools

- Program Overview
- Changes for 2018



Materials Certification Schools

- **Program Overview**
 - **VDOT's Materials Certification Schools (MCS) Program is a credentialing program to ensure that staff directly involved with the production, installation, inspection, sampling, and testing of materials on VDOT projects are knowledgeable and skilled to perform such work.**
 - **Satisfies the FHWA regulatory requirements of 23 CFR 637 to have qualified personnel executing the Agency's quality assurance program.**

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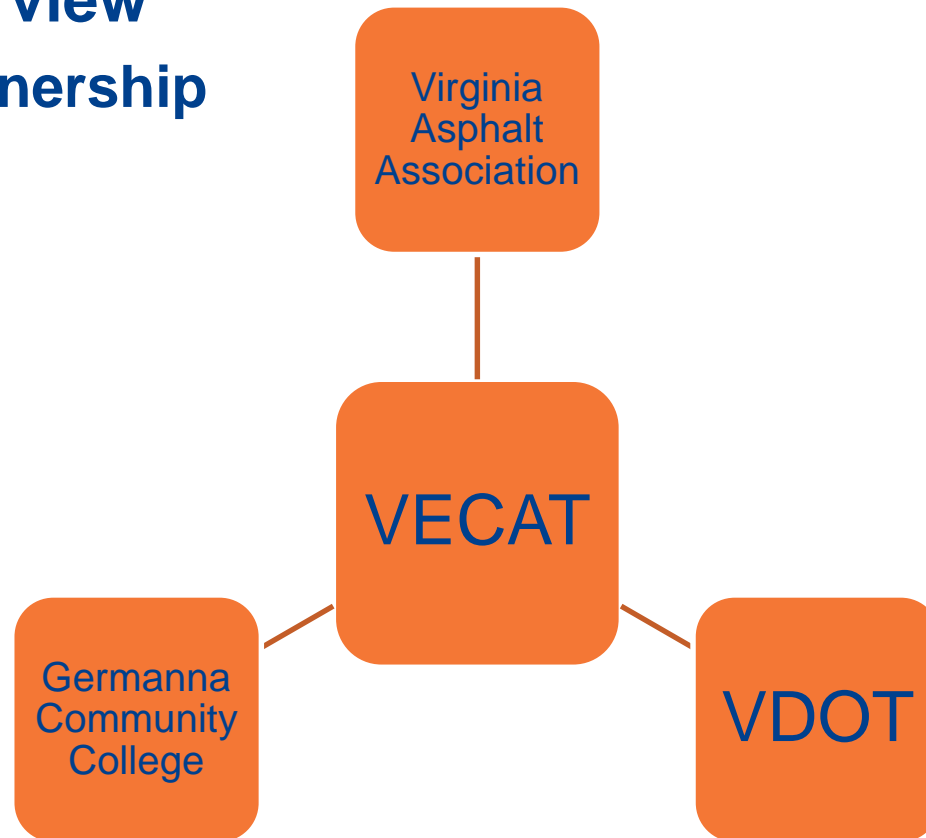
There are 12 certifications VDOT issues as part of the MCS program.

2015 – VDOT entered into partnerships with VECAT and CCWA to be the service providers for the certification school program;

- facilities**
- produce manuals**
- instruction**
- administration; registration, records,**
- scheduling and offerings**

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VECAT –

7 VDOT certifications are Asphalt Pavement related

Certification	Proficiency test required
Asphalt Field Level I	No
Asphalt Field Level II	No
Asphalt Plant Level I	Yes
Asphalt Plant Level II	Yes
Asphalt Plant Mix Design	Yes
Slurry Surfacing	No
Surface Treatment	No

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Reference: Section 114 of the VDOT Materials Division's Manual of Instructions

See IIM-MD 410-17 for revisions

Key Revisions;

- **Elimination of Aggregate Properties Certification**
- **Certification expiration**
- **Certification Exam Testing Eligibility**

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- **Changes for 2018**
 - **Eliminated the Aggregate Properties Certification**
 - **VDOT will discontinue use of the current recertification process; on-line completion of exam.**

Starting in 2018 – Any certification issued by VDOT has a 5 year expiration.

At expiration, individuals must complete all requirements same as a new certification; written exam, applicable proficiency exam, and any prerequisite certifications.

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- **Changes for 2018**
 - **VDOT Certification eligibility**
 - Each certification applicant will be provided a **maximum of 2 attempts within a calendar year** to successfully pass the requirements to obtain the sought after certification

2 attempts at written exam, 2 attempts at proficiency test (if applicable)

If not successful, no longer eligible for that particular certification within that calendar year. Must wait until the next calendar year to be eligible.

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- **VDOT Materials Division webpage;**

<http://www.virginiadot.org/business/materials-download-docs.asp>

Thank you.