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Registration Status: There is currently no requirement for licensure or registration as a professional geologist in Nevada; however, a person must be a Certified Environmental Manager (CEM) before consulting for a fee in matters concerning: the management of hazardous waste; the investigation of a release or potential release of a hazardous substance; the sampling of any media to determine the release of a hazardous substance; the response to a release or cleanup of a hazardous substance; or the remediation of soil or water contaminated by a hazardous substance.

Effective Date: N/A
Exemptions: None
ASBOG® Membership: No

Update: 2010 Nevada Code Title 46 Mines and Minerals Chapter 514 Bureau of Mines and Geology NRS 514.005 defines “Professional geologist” and requires the Director of the Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology to be a professional geologist. Language that addressed reports prepared by engineering geologists became controversial with civil engineers and was deleted.

For UST and hazardous waste projects, certification based on education and experience is required, but that exists as an agency certification rule and not by statute:

https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Division/Legal/LawLibrary/Statutes/69th/Stats199720.html#Stats199720page2978

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Board Composition: None

Requirements:
Education: Bachelor of Science degree;
Experience: Three years
Examination: Nevada Certified Environmental Manager Exam
Continuing Education: No
Grandfathering: No

Cooperative Licensure - (Comity/Reciprocity): No


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