



Advanced Board Training

New State Law 2 officers of each board must obtain an additional 4 Hours of updated advanced training every 4 years!
 (Law regarding board members requirements for attending this class is on back.)

This is the 4 Hours of Required Advanced Board Member Training.
 We are offering the **ONLINE and In-Person** classes this year.

Name: _____ Position: _____

Cell Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____
 (Cell & email required as we will send a confirmation via cell & email 1 week prior)

Home Mailing Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

System Name: _____ PWS I.D. # _____

System Phone: (_____) _____ System Fax: (_____) _____

Registration begins at 7:30 am. All Classes begin at 8 am & end around 12pm.

**You MUST register at the links below and fax/mail this form in for the online classes.
 In-Person classes just fax/mail this form in to register.**

Check One	Date	City	Location	Reg Deadline
_____	Jan 30, 2025	Cleveland	MSU-Extension Office-406 Martin Luther King	01/22/2025
_____	Feb 13, 2025	Bay St. Louis	Bay St. Louis Community Hall- 301 Blaize Ave	02/05/2025
_____	Mar 20, 2025	McComb	McComb Sport Plex- 701 S. Magnolia St	03/12/2025
_____	Apr 24, 2025	Hattiesburg	Hattiesburg Water Treatment Plant- 900 James St	04/16/2025
_____	May 22, 2025	Saltillo	Saltillo City Hall- 395 Mobile St.	05/14/2025
_____	June 19, 2025	Louisville	Lak Tiak-O'Khata- 1290 Smyth Lake Rd.	06/11/2025
_____	July 24, 2025	Batesville	Batesville Public Works Building- 132 Van Voris St.	07/16/2025
_____	Aug 14, 2025	Greenville	TBA	08/06/2025
_____	Sept 25, 2025	Meridian	Long Creek Water Association -4695 Long Cree Water Rd.	09/17/2025
_____	A-Oct 23, 2025	Tupelo	Cadence Bank Arena-375 E. Main Street	10/16/2025
_____	Oct 30, 2025	Laurel	Laurel Train Depot- 230 N Maple St.	10/22/2025
_____	Nov 20, 2025	Pearl	MsRWA- 172 Country Place Parkway	11/13/2025

More Dates to come....

Check all that Apply:

- _____ Advanced Board Member Training Fee \$ 25.00
- _____ My system is a MsRWA Member, I would like to use One (1) of my Two (2) MsRWA Member Benefits
 (MsRWA Members are allowed 2 Free Advanced Board Training classes per year and this **Does NOT include a manual**) (\$ 25.00)
- _____ Yes, I would like an Advanced Board Training Manual \$ 25.00

Total Fee for Advanced Board Member Management Training Class \$ _____

Please make copies of this form for each attendee. Please make check payable to MsRWA. Return registration form and payment to: 172 Country Place Pkwy, Pearl MS 39208, or Fax to 601-857-2434. If you need more information, call 601-857-2433. There will be a \$25.00 processing fee for all cancellations. We will gladly transfer the attendee to another session if, it is within one year of receiving this registration. All classes fill up quickly, so please register early.

Please mail to: MsRWA, 172 Country Place Pkwy, Pearl MS 39208.

(Law regarding board members requirements can be found at msrwa.org/wp-content/uploads/BT-Law.jpg or call our office for a copy)

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

2020 Regular Session

To: Energy

By: Senator(s) Doty, Jackson (11th)

Senate Bill 2674
(As Sent to Governor)

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-26-101, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR
COMMUNITY PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM BOARD MEMBERS;
AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

SECTION 1. Section 41-26-101, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

41-26-101. (1) Each member elected or reelected after June 30, 1998, to serve on a governing board of any community public water system, except systems operated by municipalities with a population greater than ten thousand (10,000), shall attend a minimum of eight (8) hours of management training within two (2) years following the election of that board member. Any member failing to complete the management training within two (2) years after his election shall be subject to removal from the board by the remaining members. If a board member has undergone training and is reelected to the board, that board member shall not be required to attend training as provided by this subsection.

(2) The management training shall be organized by the State Department of Health, in cooperation with the Mississippi Rural Water Association and other organizations. The management training shall include information on water system management and financing, rate setting and structures, operations and maintenance, applicable laws and regulations, ethics, the duties and responsibilities of a board member and other information deemed necessary by the department after consultation with the association and other organizations. The department shall develop and provide all training materials. * * * The association and other training organizations may charge a fee in the amount of Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00) per member plus the cost of the manual and materials. These costs shall be reimbursed to the board member as an expense of the community public water system.

(3) Two (2) officers of each board shall also obtain an additional four (4) hours of updated and advanced training within a four-year period. The term "officers" shall include the legally responsible official of the community public water system and the mayor, mayor pro term, the president, and the vice president of the board. If one (1) of the officers is not able to attend the training, then he may appoint someone from among the existing board to attend in his place; however, the board member attending this training must have first completed the eight (8) hours of management training. This training will be held at a time and place that will accommodate those members who have other responsibilities. The training shall consist of, but not be limited to, updated regulatory rules and regulations, an in-depth look at the Mississippi Nonprofit Corporation Act as well as any updated information that would aid them in making decisions for their utility system. The association and other training organizations may charge a fee in the amount of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) per member plus the cost of the material needed for the training. These costs shall also be reimbursed to the board member as an expense of the community water system.

(3) To avoid board members having to interfere with their jobs or employment, management training sessions may be divided into segments and, to the greatest extent possible, shall be scheduled for evening sessions. The department shall conduct management training on a regional basis and shall use community college or other public facilities for the convenience of board members.

(4) The department may make exceptions to and grant exemptions and variances to the requirements of this section for good cause shown.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2020.