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NCCCO Offers Crane Operator Certification For Short Booms Common in Precast Industry

The National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO) has released a CCO certification program specifically for operators of boom trucks with short booms, no attachments/extensions, and a basic load chart.

The new CCO Telescopic Boom-Swing Cab Restricted (TLL-R) operator certification is a restricted version of the CCO Telescopic Boom Swing Cab (TLL). It was developed specifically for operators of the type of crane commonly used in the precast concrete and similar industries. A restricted certification is also offered for Telescopic Boom-Fixed Cab cranes (TSS-R).

Crane operators achieving the TLL-R certification are restricted to operating telescopic boom cranes with a maximum boom length of 37 ft. Cranes may not be equipped with any attachments or jibs/extensions (operation from the main boom only), and the crane must utilize only a basic load chart.

To achieve certification, candidates must pass the Mobile Crane Operator Core written exam as well as a modified version of the Telescopic Boom written exam that features a QMC boom truck load chart.

The practical exams are unchanged from the existing TLL and TSS programs. The type of crane used on the practical exam must match the type an operator wishes to be certified for, such as swing cab (rotating operator's station) or fixed cab (fixed operator's station). All NCCCO certification eligibility and medical policies common to other CCO operator certifications apply.

Operators already holding the full TLL or TSS certification are not affected by the introduction of this new restricted certification since their existing certifications also cover the cranes that fall under this new restriction.

More information about the new TLL-R and TSS-R certifications is available in the Mobile Crane Operator candidate handbook which also contains application forms and other program information. It can be downloaded from nccco.org/handbooks-forms. Detailed information about the new exam, including test options and fees, may also be viewed at www.nccco.org/tbr.

The National Precast Concrete Association (precast.org) represents more than 600 manufacturing firms and 325 supplier companies operating in the precast concrete sector of the construction industry in North America. Based in Indianapolis, NPCA provides technical services, educational programs, safety expertise and certification programs for the industry.