

PROCESS FOR APPEAL OF A FAILED COATING INSPECTOR LEVEL 3 EXAMINATION

1. The following procedures will be followed in handling an appeal of a failed Coating Inspector Level 3 examination:
 - 1.1. To appeal, the examination candidate must submit a written appeal to the Institute's Executive Director stating the basis of the appeal and providing all information the appellant wishes considered. The appeal must be delivered to Institute Headquarters not more than thirty (30) days from the date of the failed peer review.
 - 1.2. The CMOC Chair shall appoint an appeal panel of three (3) Institute-Certified Coating Inspector Level 3 members to consider the appeal. To gather additional information, the appeal panel may contact the appellant or any member of the peer review board that examined the applicant.
 - 1.3. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the appeal panel shall be required to sustain the appeal. Should the appeal be sustained, the applicant shall be allowed to retake the peer review at no charge. Travel and any other expenses shall be the responsibility of the candidate.
 - 1.3.1. The only basis for sustaining an appeal is that material deviations from stated procedures occurred in conducting the peer review examination.
 - 1.4. Should the appeal be denied, the decision of the appeal panel may be appealed to CMOC, where a two-thirds (2/3) vote will be required to overturn the decision of the appeal panel. The only basis for overturning the decision of the appeal panel shall be that material deviations from stated procedures occurred in conducting the peer review examination.

Confidentiality shall be exercised; however, the appellant shall be advised prior to any appeal that confidentiality cannot be absolutely guaranteed. The appellant must agree that in making the appeal, confidentiality is waived and he/she will hold NACE International (or the organization providing support staff to the Institute) and the Institute and any persons involved harmless for any loss of confidentiality that may occur during the appeal process.