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This edition of Backwash summarises the accredited training that is being offered in 2008. All registered training organisations accredited to offer the irrigation qualifications were contacted and the information received is summarised below. Those who have not responded are included at the bottom of each listing. Prospective students will need to contact them for details of training they are offering in 2008.

This document will be updated throughout the year as new information is supplied by training providers.

- **Face-to-face** delivery is course work usually conducted in a classroom situation.
- **Distance learning** is done by correspondence, internet, phone any method that is not classroom based.
- **On-the-job training** is training conducted in the workplace.
- **RPL** is recognition of prior learning both formal and informal learning (no matter how it was acquired) is assessed toward a qualification.
- **Trainees** are government sponsored learners that provide incentive payments for employers.
- **Learning guides** for the irrigation qualifications are available from the IAL. The training is listed under the qualification level. For more information on the qualifications or information on the items shown in red please refer back to our website: [IAA Website Courses and Qualifications](http://www.irrigation.org.au)

[Certificate II in Irrigation](#)

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[Diploma of Irrigation](#)

Certificate II in Irrigation

Delivery	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA
	Ahvenbloem			Civil Skills			Challenger
	Hunter			IIFP		NMIT	TAFE
Face to face	TAFE		Hort Training	Regional Skills		TAFE	Great
	Western TAFE		SQIT	TAFE		Tasmania	Southern
				SA			SW TAFE

Distance	Ahvenbloem							Challenger
	Hunter				IIFP			TAFE
	TAFE			Hort	Regional			Great
	River	River		Training	Skills			Southern
	Murray	Murray		River	River	River Murray		River
	Riverina			Murray	Murray			Murray
	TAFE			SQIT	TAFE			
	Western				SA			
	TAFE							
On-the-job	Hunter				Civil			Challenger
	TAFE				Skills			TAFE
	River	River		Hort	IIFP			River
	Murray	Murray		Training	Regional		River Murray	Murray
	Riverina			River	Skills			SW TAFE
	TAFE			Murray	River			
	Western			SQIT	Murray			
	TAFE				TAFE			
					SA			
RPL	Ahvenbloem				Civil			Challenger
	Hunter				Skills			TAFE
	TAFE			Hort	IIFP			ITA
	ITA	ITA		Training	ITA	ITA	ITA	River
	River	River		ITA	Regional		River Murray	Murray
	Murray	Murray		River	Skills			SW TAFE
	Riverina			Murray	River			
	TAFE			SQIT	Murray			
	Western				TAFE			
	TAFE				SA			
Combination	Hunter				Civil			Challenger
	TAFE				Skills			TAFE
	ITA	ITA		Hort	IIFP	ITA	ITA	ITA
	Riverina			Training	ITA			SW TAFE
	TAFE			ITA	TAFE			
	Western			SQIT	SA			
	TAFE							
No information supplied	Active				Active		Active Industry	Active
	Industry	Active	Active	Industry	Industry	DPI	DPI Total	Industry
	DPI Total	Industry	Industry	Industry	DPI	Total	Hortus	DPI Total
	N Coast	Aust	Aust	Aust	Total	Sunraysia	Innovative	WA
	TAFE	Agriculture	Agriculture	Agriculture	Sunraysia	Tasmania	Kangan-Batman	College of
	Sunraysia	DPI Total	DPI Total	DPI Total	TAFE		NMIT	Ag
	TAFE						Sunraysia	
	Swan						TAFE	
	Training						Swan Training	
	W Sydney							
	TAFE							

Certificate III in Irrigation

Delivery	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA
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Face to face	Ahvenbloem Hunter TAFE Ryde TAFE Western TAFE		Hort Training SQIT	Civil Skills IIFP Regional Skills TAFE SA	NMIT	SW TAFE Challenger TAFE Great Southern
Distance	Ahvenbloem Hunter TAFE River Murray Riverina TAFE Western TAFE	River Murray	Hort Training River Murray SQIT Western TAFE	IIFP Regional Skills River Murray TAFE SA	River Murray	River Murray Challenger TAFE Great Southern
On-the-job	Hunter TAFE River Murray Riverina TAFE Western TAFE	River Murray	Hort Training River Murray SQIT Western TAFE	Civil Skills IIFP Regional Skills River Murray TAFE SA	River Murray	River Murray Challenger TAFE Great Southern SW TAFE
RPL	Ahvenbloem Hunter TAFE ITA River Murray Riverina TAFE Ryde TAFE Western TAFE	ITA River Murray	Hort Training ITA River Murray SQIT Western TAFE	Civil Skills IIFP ITA Regional Skills River Murray TAFE SA	ITA NMIT River Murray	ITA River Murray SW TAFE Challenger TAFE
Combination	Hunter TAFE ITA Riverina TAFE Western TAFE	ITA River Murray	Hort Training ITA SQIT Western TAFE	Civil Skills IIFP ITA TAFE SA	ITA ITA	ITA SW TAFE Challenger TAFE
Existing Worker Trainees			SQIT	TAFE SA		Challenger TAFE
No information supplied	Active Industry DPI Tocal N Coast TAFE Sunraysia TAFE Swan	Active Industry DPI Tocal Virginia	Active Industry Aust Ag College DPI Tocal SQIT Virginia	Active Industry DPI Tocal Sunraysia TAFE Virginia	DPI Tocal TAFE Tasmania Virginia	Active Industry EGippsland TAFEHortus Kangan-Batman Sunraysia TAFE Swan Training Swinburne

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Certificate IV in Irrigation

Delivery	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA
Face to face	Hunter TAFE		Aust Agriculture Hort Training SQIT	Civil Skills IIFP TAFE SA		NMIT	SW TAFE
Distance	River Murray Riverina TAFE Western TAFE	River Murray	Hort Training River Murray SQIT	IIFP River Murray TAFE SA		River Murray	River Murray Challenger TAFE
On-the-job	River Murray Riverina TAFE Western TAFE	River Murray	Hort Training River Murray SQIT	Civil Skills IIFP River Murray TAFE SA		River Murray	River Murray
RPL	Hunter TAFE ITA River Murray Riverina TAFE Western TAFE	ITA River Murray	Hort Training ITA River Murray SQIT Western TAFE	Civil Skills IIFP ITA River Murray TAFE SA	ITA	ITA NMIT River Murray Western TAFE	ITA River Murray SW TAFE Challenger TAFE
Combination	Hunter TAFE ITA Riverina TAFE Western TAFE	ITA	Hort Training ITA SQIT Western TAFE	Civil Skills IIFP ITA TAFE SA	ITA	ITA Western TAFE	Challenger TAFE ITA SW TAFE
Existing Worker Trainees							Challenger TAFE
No information supplied	DPI Tocal N Coast TAFE	DPI Tocal	Aust Ag College DPI Tocal	DPI Tocal TAFE SA	DPI Tocal TAFE Tasmania	DPI Tocal Kangan-Batman Sunraysia TAFE	DPI Tocal

Diploma of Irrigation

Delivery	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA
Face to face			Hort Training SQIT	Civil Skills IIFP TAFE SA			Challenger TAFE
Distance	River Murray	River Murray	Hort Training River Murray SQIT	IIFP River Murray TAFE SA		River Murray	River Murray
On-the-job	River Murray	River Murray	Hort Training River Murray SQIT	Civil Skills IIFP River Murray TAFE SA		River Murray	River Murray
RPL	ITA River Murray	ITA River Murray	Hort Training ITA River Murray SQIT	Civil Skills IIFP ITA River Murray TAFE SA	ITA	ITA NMIT River Murray	Challenger TAFE ITA River Murray
Combination	ITA River Murray	ITA River Murray	Hort Training ITA River Murray SQIT	Civil Skills IIFP ITA River Murray TAFE SA	ITA	ITA River Murray	Challenger TAFE ITA River Murray
No information supplied	DPI Tocal Riverina TAFE	DPI Tocal	DPI Tocal	DPI Tocal TAFE SA	DPI Tocal TAFE Tasmania	DPI Tocal Sunraysia TAFE	DPI Tocal

AHVENBLOEM RURAL INSTITUTE

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Course	RPL Yes/No	Face-to-face (Campus location, commencement date, duration)	Distance Training (Method)	On-the-job (Locations covered)	Other
Certificate II in Irrigation	Yes	Bathurst, Southern Highlands, South Coast NSW, Central Coast NSW.	Workshops in various rural remote locations.	Traineeships and sponsored training	Most training services are free and fully sponsored co-payments
Certificate III in Irrigation					
Certificate IV in Irrigation					
Diploma of Irrigation					
Competency Units or Short Courses		Drought initiatives 2008 Better Horizons for Rural Communities			

CHALLENGER TAFE

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Course	RPL Yes/No	Face-to-face (Campus location, commencement date, duration)	Distance Training (Method)	On-the-job (Locations covered)	Other
Certificate II in Irrigation		Murdoch campus	Yes, flexible delivery / workplace based projects	WA	
Certificate III in Irrigation	Yes				
Certificate IV in Irrigation		No			
Diploma of Irrigation		Murdoch campus			
Competency Units or Short Courses		RTE 4602A Determine hydraulic parameters for an irrigation system RTE 4609A Implement, monitor and adjust irrigation schedules RTE3605A Troubleshoot irrigation systems RTE 3609A Operate fertigation systems RTE 3305A Install and terminate low voltage wiring systems RTE 5608A Design water treatment systems RTF 2504A Determine basic properties of soil/growing media RTE 2606A Maintain pressurised irrigation systems Irrigation design course			

All units to support IAL's new certification streams on demand

GREAT SOUTHERN TAFE

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Certificate II in Irrigation		Feb to Dec		Yes	Traineeship available
Certificate III in Irrigation	Yes	Feb to Dec	No		
Certificate IV in Irrigation					
Diploma of Irrigation					
Competency Units or Short Courses					

HORTICULTURAL TRAINING PTY LTD

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Website: www.horticulturaltraining.com.au

**Certificate III in
Irrigation**

**Certificate IV in
Irrigation**

**Diploma of
Irrigation**

**Competency Units
or Short Courses** As required from any certificate level.

INDEPENDENT INSTITUTE - IIFP

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Course	RPL Yes/No	Face-to-face (Campus location, commencement date, duration)	Distance Training (Method)	On-the-job (Locations covered)	Other (please specify)
Certificate II in Irrigation	Yes RPL / Assessment kit available	Kersbrook Adelaide Regional centres On-site(dependent on numbers of participants & location)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence • Facilitated on-line • Mentored workplace arrangements 	All states	Enterprise in-house training partnerships <i>(we encourage all workplaces to gain part or all of a qualification in Training & Assessment TAA04. We then contribute to their training with RTO support and services, partial onsite or full in-house programs, and provide a portion of available training funding*)*where state or commonwealth funding is available & with formal partnership agreement</i>
Certificate III in Irrigation					
Certificate IV in Irrigation					
Diploma of Irrigation					
Competency Units or	Any individual training unit(s) within the irrigation qualification can be undertaken separately or in clusters				

Short Courses

IRRIGATION TRAINING AUSTRALIA

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Course	RPL Yes/No	Face-to-face (Campus location, commencement date, duration)	Distance Training (Method)	On-the-job (Locations covered)	Other (please specify)
Certificate II in Irrigation					
Certificate III in Irrigation	Yes	Units of competency delivered to underpin IAA			
Certificate IV in Irrigation	RPL / Assessment kit available	Certification Program.Â Details on IAA website.			
Diploma of Irrigation					
Competency Units or Short Courses		Irrigation Efficiency Course comprising 3 units of competency run in various locations. Details on website.			

NORTH MELBOURNE INSTITUTE OF TAFE (NMIT)

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Certificate III in Irrigation	Fairfield P/T 1 year Semester 1
Certificate IV in Irrigation	Fairfield P/T 1 year Dependant on numbers
Diploma of Irrigation	
Competency Units or Short Courses	Certified Irrigation Installer, Certified Irrigation Operator available as exit points in the Part Time course.

REGIONAL SKILLS TRAINING

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Course	RPL Yes/No	Face-to-face (Campus location, commencement date, duration)	Distance Training (Method)	On-the-job (Locations covered)	Other (please specify)
Certificate II in Irrigation	Yes	Block release for traineeships	Yes Print based	All SA	
Certificate III in Irrigation	Yes	Block release for traineeships	Yes Print based	All SA	
Certificate IV in Irrigation					
Diploma of Irrigation					
Competency Units or Short Courses					

RIVERINA INSTITUTE OF TAFE NSW

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Course	RPL Yes/No	Face-to-face (Campus location, commencement date, duration)	Distance Training (Method)	On-the-job (Locations covered)	Other

Certificate II in Irrigation		Available to suit needs of students.	Wagga, Hillston, Most
Certificate III in Irrigation	Yes	Can be offered if there is large enough group at Leeton TAFE or other sites to suit.	Narrandera, situations can be catered for
Certificate IV in Irrigation		Paper based with on-the-job presentation of evidence for assessment.	Leeton, Griffith, Deniliquin.
Diploma of Irrigation			
Competency Units or Short Courses			

RIVER MURRAY TRAINING

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Course	RPL Yes/No	Face-to-face (Campus location, commencement date, duration)	Distance Training (Method)	On-the-job (Locations covered)	Other
Certificate II in Irrigation					
Certificate III in Irrigation	Yes		Online Learner Guides Workplace training Mentoring	Australia wide	
Certificate IV in Irrigation					
Diploma of Irrigation					
Competency Units or Short Courses		1.Train and assess in IAL Certification programs Manager, Operator, Installer, Contractor, Agronomist 2. Research to practice water management for grapevine production (2 day workshop) 2. Irrigation technology workshop 1 day 3.Irrigation Scheduling Workshop 2 days			

RYDE COLLEGE OF TAFE

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Course	RPL Yes/No	Face-to-face (Campus location, commencement date, duration)	Distance Training (Method)	On-the-job (Locations covered)	Other (please specify)
Certificate II in Irrigation					
Certificate III in Irrigation	Yes.	Ryde Part-time		Could be organised	
Certificate IV in Irrigation					
Diploma of Irrigation					
Competency Units or Short Courses		Delivery of skills sets for Certified Irrigation Operator and Certified Irrigation Installer			

TAFE SA

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Course	RPL Yes/No	Face-to-face (Campus location, commencement date, duration)	Distance Training (Method)	On-the-job (Locations covered)	Other
Certificate II in Irrigation		Focussing on apprentices but open to all.			
Certificate III in Irrigation	Yes	Daytime classes for apprentices. Evening classes for current employees	Customised to suit individual students needs	State wide	
Certificate IV in Irrigation		Evening classes with flexible delivery available			
Diploma of Irrigation		Evening classes with flexible delivery available			
Competency Units or Short Courses		Requirements for IAA Certification program Installer, Contractor, Operator, Manager, Agronomist. Industry specific short courses on demand			

WESTERN INSTITUTE OF TAFE

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Course	RPL Yes/No	Face-to-face (Campus location, commencement date, duration)	Distance Training (Method)	On-the-job (Locations covered)	Other
Certificate II in Irrigation					
Certificate III in Irrigation	Yes		Flexible delivery.	NSW, QLD, Victoria	
Certificate IV in Irrigation					
Diploma of Irrigation					
Competency Units or Short Courses					

Providers listed on the National Training Information Service website

Company	Qualification Levels	States Covered	Location	Phone	Website
Active Industry Group Training	2-3	All States	Lake Haven NSW	02 4393 6900	
Ahvenbloem Pty Ltd	2-3	NSW	Bathurst	02 6337 6669	
Australian Agricultural College Corp	4	QLD	Dalby Qld	07 4672 3000	www.aacc.edu.au
Challenger TAFE	2-5	WA	Beaconsfield WA	08 9239 8384	www.challengertafe.wa.edu.au
Civil Skills & Technology Centre	2-5	SA	Dry Creek, SA	08 8262 8066	www.civilskills.com.au
East Gippsland TAFE	3	VIC	Bairnsdale VIC	03 5152 0700	www.egtafe.vic.edu.au
Great Southern TAFE	2-3	WA	Albany, WA	08 9892 8708	www.gstafe.wa.gov.au

Horticultural Training	2-5	QLD	Strathpine, Qld	07 3246 8613	www.horticulturaltraining.com.au
Independent Inst of Food Processing	2-5	SA	Kersbrook, SA	08 8389 3357	www.iifp.sa.edu.au
Innovative Business Training	3-4	VIC	Parkville, Vic	03 9347 0252	www.ibtraining.com.au
Institute of TAFE, TAS	2-5	TAS	Various, Tas	1300 644 307	www.tafe.tas.edu.au
Irrigation Training Australia	2-5	All States	Hornsby NSW	02 9476 0142	www.irrigation.org.au
Kangan Batman TAFE	2-4	VIC	Somerton Vic	03 9279 2482	www.kangan.edu.au
Northern Melbourne Institute of TAFE	2-5	VIC	Preston, Vic	03 9269 1200	www.nmit.vic.edu.au
Regional Skills Training	2-3	SA	Arthurson, SA	08 8835 1362	www.regionalskillstraining.com
River Murray Training	2-5	All States	Berri, SA	08 8762 3442	www.r-m-t.com.au
South West Regional College of TAFE	2-4	WA	Bunbury, WA	08 9780 7276	
Southern Qld Institute of TAFE	2-5	QLD	Toowoomba Qld	07 4160 4463	www.sqit.tafe.net
Sunraysia Institute of TAFE	2-5	NSW, SA, VIC	Mildura, NSW	03 5022 3792	www.sunitafe.edu.au
Swan Hill International College	2-3	VIC	Swan Hill, Vic	03 5033 1334	www.swantraining.com.au
Swinburne University of Technology (TAFE Division)	3	VIC	Wantirna South, Vic	03 9214 5796	www.swin.edu.au/tafe/welcome
TAFE NSW "Hunter Institute	2-4	NSW	Hunter Region, NSW	1800 064 242	www.hunter.tafensw.edu.au

TAFE NSW North Coast Institute	2-3	NSW	Wollongbar, NSW	02 6620 4212	www.nci.tafensw.edu.au
<u>TAFE NSW Ryde</u>	2-3	NSW	Ryde, NSW	02 9447 6383	www.tafensw.edu.au/nsit
<u>TAFE NSW Riverina Institute</u>	2-5	NSW	Wagga Wagga, NSW	1300 138 318	www.rit.tafensw.edu.au
<u>TAFE NSW Western Institute</u>	2-4	NSW	Orange, NSW	02 6393 2682	www.wit.tafensw.edu.au
TAFE NSW Western Sydney Institute	2-3	NSW	Kingswood, NSW	02 9208 9999	www.wsi.tafensw.edu.au
<u>TAFE SA</u>	2-5	SA	Various, SA	08 8372 6800	www.tafe.sa.edu.au
Tocal College	2-5	All States	Patterson & Yanko NSW	02 4939 8888	
Virginia Horticulture Centre	3-4	VIC	Virginia, Vic	08 8282 9200	www.virginiahc.com.au
Western Australian College of Agriculture	2	WA	Harvey, WA	08 9729 0500	www.harveyag.wa.edu.au

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