



Division Order (DO) Certificate Program **MODULE 5: Oil & Gas Law**

This course is conducted in August and February.

NOTE: Membership in the [National Association of Division Order Analysts \(NADOA\)](#) is required for this course.

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Overview	Land professionals must have an in-depth understanding of mineral laws and principles that affect drilling for oil and gas as well as how those principles are applied in the various states. This module opens with a lecture on Oil & Gas Law including the Rule of Capture (ROC), the dominant mineral estate and the doctrine of correlative rights. We also look at the implied covenants in the oil and gas lease - that is, clauses that the courts read into the oil and gas lease even though they are not stated in the lease itself. We then turn to environmental laws, specifically laws that impact drilling. This provides the opportunity to look at frac'ing and the issues surrounding it as it relates to the environment.
Text	National Association of Division Order Analysts (NADOA) Study Guide
Objective	By the end of Module 5, students will understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Rule of Capture and Its impact on Drilling • The Mineral Estate • The Surface Estate • The Dominant Mineral Estate • Doctrine of Correlative Rights • Implied Covenants in the Oil & Gas Lease • Environmental Laws (Gasland & Fracknation documentaries) • Federal Leasing in the Rockies and North Dakota • Myth vs Fact with Respect to Frac'ing
Discussions	Discussions are online chats or group forums. Each student is required to participate in each Discussion by posting at least one comment in each Discussion and commenting on the posts of three of your fellow classmates.



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<p>Field Trip <i>(required for certificate program)</i></p>	<p>By the end of Module 6, for those of you taking the entire course, the final field trip is to begin networking by attending a monthly luncheon with a feature speaker presented by your local chapter of the AAPL, ALTA (Association of Lease and Title Analysts) and/or NADOA (National Association of Division Order Analysts). Please scan the program with the signature of the current President (or any officer) of your local chapter. This is a great opportunity to introduce yourself and be introduced to others. Remember, this is a small industry and networking is key!</p> <p><i>Note: If you live too far away from a chapter meeting or need to attend a virtual format in your area, please let me know and we can modify the format.</i></p>
<p>Exam</p>	<p>Available online on the last week from Tuesday at Noon until Saturday at 11:59pm Central. An assignment summary and exact dates will be provided.</p>

NOTE: Participation in this course and access to the study guide require students to be or become members of the **National Association of Division Order Analysts (NADOA)**; visit <https://www.nadoa.org/>. Membership is \$100 per year and requires two sponsors for the initial year. If you need support in finding a sponsor, please get in touch with your instructor.

DO Certificate Program

The DO Certificate Program is an online, self-paced program with six total modules. Each module spans one month and requires approximately 12 hours to complete. The fee per module is \$525.00.

Module	Course Title	Session Start
1	Introduction to Division Order Practices	April & October
2	Land Titles, Title Examination & Title Opinions	May & November
3	Land & Leasing	June & December
4	Oil & Gas Calculations	July & January
5	Oil & Gas Law	August & February
6	Oil & Gas Contracts	September & March

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