



Electrical Exam Information

Licensing is at the discretion of the local municipality in the state of Indiana. There is not a state electrical license.

Types of Licenses

- Master – Unrestricted
- Residential – Allows license holder to work on one- and two-family structures only

Minimum application requirements to go before the Board of Electrical Examiners:

The applicant must submit the following to the Board of Electrical Examiners at least ten (10) business days before the board meeting and the applicant's name must be placed on the board agenda:

1. Electrical exam application.
2. A signed and notarized letter of reference from employer on original letterhead documenting six (6) years of experience. The letter must include dates of employment (start and end dates) and a description of the job responsibilities. The board may assign up to two (2) years of experience for successful completion of related college courses, or a related apprenticeship.
 - a. If not available, three (3) letters of reference, citing dates, from supply houses, or general contractors/builders, who have employed you as an electrician, may be submitted. Corporation or business license documents, including founding dates, should be submitted. W-2's, copies of check stubs or other relevant tax documents, which record six (6) years of experience in the electrical field, may be used in conjunction with the other documents.
3. At least three signed customer reference letters (for the individual, not the company).
4. Photocopy of driver's license
5. If applicable, copies of current licenses, certificates, and diplomas (relating to the electrical industry).

It is required by City Ordinance that the above five (5) items be submitted to the Board of Electrical Examiners for an applicant to be considered for approval to take the exam.

Application Process

1. The applicant submits the application packet to the Board Coordinator at least ten (10) business days before the board meeting.
2. Applicant appears before the Board of Electrical Examiners for an interview. The Board determines if the applicant meets the requirements to take the appropriated Prometric exam.
3. If approved, the applicant is given the information to work with Prometric and sit for the exam.
4. If the applicant scores 75% or higher on the Prometric exam, the applicant reappears before the Board for orientation. After passing the exam, proof of surety bond, general liability insurance, and workmen's compensation coverage must be submitted with proper fees and applications for the license.

If the applicant holds a license in another jurisdiction that required the passage of the appropriate Prometric Inc. exam (formerly Thompson Prometric, Experior Assessments LLC, and Block & Associates), the applicant **may** qualify for a reciprocal license. Please review the electrical reciprocal license packet on the web at: <https://www.indy.gov/activity/contractor-licenses> or contact Jessica Knight at 317-327-8467 to discuss the reciprocal license requirements.

Board Meeting Dates

The Board of Electrical Examiners meets the second Thursday of each month at 1:30pm.

Deadline for submittal of exam packet:

December 31, 2020
January 28, 2021
February 25, 2021
March 25, 2021
April 29, 2021
May 27, 2021
June 24, 2021
July 29, 2021
August 26, 2021
September 30, 2021
October 28, 2021
November 25, 2021
December 30, 2021

Meeting Date:

January 14, 2021
February 11, 2021
March 11, 2021
April 8, 2021
May 13, 2021
June 10, 2021
July 8, 2021
August 12, 2021
September 9, 2021
October 14, 2021
November 15, 2021 (Special Date)
December 9, 2021
January 13, 2022

Exam Packet Submittal

Exam packets can be:

- Emailed to Jessica.Knight@indy.gov
- Faxed to [317-327-8401](tel:317-327-8401) to Jessica Knight's attention
- Mailed to Board of Electrical Examiners
1200 Madison Avenue, Suite 100
Indianapolis, IN 46225

Questions

If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Knight, License and Board Liaison Coordinator, at Jessica.Knight@indy.gov or 317-327-8467.

Licensure as an electrical contractor:

Licensure as an electrical contractor is required to accomplish the connection of electrical power for on-site construction, to install, alter, replace, service or repair a system distributing electrical power, to service equipment supplying power to factory-constructed dwellings located in a mobile home park and to install, modernize, replace, service or repair all or any part of an electrical power distribution system. An electrical contractor shall also be entitled to install, modernize, replace, service or repair space heating equipment or space cooling equipment using electricity as its primary source of energy, excluding work on any refrigerant cycle.

Not required to be a licensed electrical contractor:

Installation or repair of electrical wiring, devices, appliances, apparatus, or equipment operate at less than twenty-five (25) volts and are capable of supplying less than fifty (50) watts of energy, except for fire detection or fire alarms, as defined by the state.

A contractor does not have to be a licensed electrical contractor if wiring for computers (below 25 volts), data systems (below 25 volts), or security cameras.

License upgrade:

Once within a one-year period of taking the residential electrical examination an applicant may upgrade their license without appearing before the board. However, if it is more than a year since taking the residential electrical examination the applicant must appear before the board of electrical examiners to upgrade his or her license.

Electrical Exam Application

Name: _____ Age: _____

Home address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP code: _____

Work address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP code: _____

Work phone #: _____ Fax #: _____ Personal phone #: _____

Email address: _____

Educational background in trade: _____

Experience

Years of experience: Residential _____ Commercial _____ Industrial _____ Total Years _____

Present employer: _____ No. Yrs. _____

Specific duties: _____

Previous employer: _____ No. Yrs. _____

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Specific duties: _____

Type of license requested (please check box): Residential Electrical Master Electrical

Name three people who are familiar with your work. (Submit with 3 reference letters.)

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Why do you desire a license for Marion County? _____

What is the current National Electric Code adopted by Indiana? _____

Have you ever taken a Prometric, Inc. (formerly Thomson Prometric, Experior Assessments, and Block and Associates) exam? YES NO If yes, list exam location and date. _____

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

Application approved: Yes No Date: _____

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2021 Board of Electrical Examiners Policies

1. Passing score for the 2014 NEC examination is 75.0%. Applicants approved by the Board may take the license exam three times. If on the third exam the applicant scores above 60%, the applicant may re-appear before the Board and request a fourth exam without a one-year waiting period. A one-year waiting period will be required if the applicant does not pass the fourth examination.
2. As of January 1, 2019, the Board will adopt the most current testing available of the NEC and, furthermore, adopt within ninety days a change to the most current code test when a new test version is announced.
3. Upon a successful examination, the applicant has two years to come before the Board for orientation. If more than two years have elapsed from the date of the passing examination, the applicant will need to appear before the Board for permission to sit for orientation. If more than four years have passed from the date of passing the examination, the applicant's previous score will not be considered by the Board and the applicant will need to sit for the examination again.
4. All applicants will be required to show proof of experience.
5. Applicant must meet the following requirements:
 - a. Must have the documentation providing at least 6 years of experience in electrical construction, according to the requirements specified in becoming a licensed Electrical Contractor within the Consolidated City of Indianapolis.
 - b. Board may assign up to 2 years' experience for related acceptable accredited college courses, successfully completed, with technical certificates, and/or diplomas.
 - c. Board may assign up to 2 years' experience for successful completion of a related electrical apprenticeship, including copy of a certificate of completion, i.e. the certificate recognized by the Department of Labor.
 - d. Must have worked in the industry at least 12 months within the last 2 years documented. However, if applicant does not have current information within a timeline of the last two years, then additional documentation pertaining to experience may include the last ten years.

Definition of electrical construction experience: a person who either performs or supervises the installation of electrical equipment per the National Electrical Code in industrial, commercial, or residential applications.

6. The Board may reciprocate a license from another area if the applicant can provide proof, that is, current status of the license in that jurisdiction, with an original letter from the appropriate agency, that the applicant was tested with Prometric Inc. (formerly Thomson Prometric, Expor Assessment LLC, Block and Associates) Catalog No. 20113 or 20115 Master Electrical 4-hour exam or Catalog No. 20313 or 20315 Residential Electrical three-hour examination with a score of 75.0% or higher, and meets all other requirements.
7. Special exceptions – orientations:
If an applicant resides and is employed out of state, it is only by board approval that an applicant may come in by special arrangement to have the orientation conducted.
8. Selling a license or lack of proper supervision will not be tolerated.
 - First violation – Reprimand and consultation.
 - Second violation – License may be suspended up to 180 days.
 - Third violation – License may be revoked

9. Low Voltage definition:

A contractor must be a licensed electrical contractor to perform work, in which electrical wiring, devices, appliances, apparatus, or equipment operate at more than twenty-five (25) volts and are capable of supplying more than fifty (50) watts of energy, except for fire detection or fire alarms, as defined by the State. Electrical permits must be obtained as required by Ordinance. In addition, any inspections required by Ordinance must be requested.

10. Involvement of License Holder in a joint venture:

Non-licensed electrical contractors may enter into a joint venture with a licensed electrical contractor and perform electrical work. An unlicensed person may only perform electrical work under the supervision of a licensed electrical contractor. The licensed person is expected to provide responsible direction and control in specifying the electrical work processes as well as supervising the person accomplishing the work. Either the license holder or an employee, who is directly under the supervision of and directly reports to the license holder, is expected to be on-site providing supervision, and direction. This is especially true if the non-license holder's company is providing the manpower. It is ultimately the license holder who is responsible for the work.

11. The following are the guidelines for electrical license holders on probation:

- a. The License Holder will be required to attend the next License Orientation.
- b. The License Holder is required to request inspections for all work performed, including work that does not require permits.
- c. The License Holder may be subject to additional Board action for ANY violation during the probation period which is not corrected in a timely manner.
- d. The License Holder is required to correct any outstanding violations in the specified time frame.
- e. The inspection staff will provide periodic updates to the Board concerning The License Holder's activities during the probation period.
- f. Selling of license or lack of proper supervision for any project where a permit is required and/or has been issued to The License Holder will not be tolerated.
- g. Failure to comply with ANY provisions of the Probation shall result in suspension or revocation of The License Holder's license for a period of time as determined by the Board.
- h. If failure to comply with one or more provisions of probation is reported, the Board shall hold a Formal Hearing at the first Board Meeting or sooner if necessary, to determine action to be taken regarding The License Holder.
- i. The Board may require immediate license revocation and other action as needed, in the event that life and/or property are in danger.

The above guidelines are recommended but in no way limit the action taken by the Board in all circumstances.

Sources for Reference Material Information, Code Books, and Refresher Courses for Electrical Contractor Master and Residential Examinations

Reference Materials:

ITT Technical Institute

Dick Buker

9511 Angola Ct.

Indianapolis, IN 46268

317-875-8640, ext. 242

Indiana Electrical License Prep Classes

(Mike Holt Program)

Mike Fox, Program Coordinator

317-600-8844

www.electricallicenseprep.com

Ivy Tech State College

1 W. 26th St.

Indianapolis, IN 46208

317-921-4800

Classes:

Indiana Electrical License Prep, Inc.

12230 N. Cedarwood Dr.

Mooresville, IN 46158

317-600-8844

www.electricallicenseprep.com

Tom Henry's Code Electrical Classes, Inc.

7449 Citrus Ave.

Winter Park, FL 32792

800-642-2633

www.code-electrical.com

Code Books:

The Architectural Center Bookstore

1028 Shelby Street

Indianapolis, IN 46203

888-472-2578 or 317-634-3871

Builders Book Depot

1033 E. Jefferson St., Ste. 500

Phoenix, AZ 85034

877-624-2562

(Former Prometric Source)

ICC Bookstore

International Code Council

800-BNI-BOOK