

Plumbing License Continuing Education

Beginning **July 1, 2006** all journeymen, residential specialty plumbers and plumber trainees will be required to obtain **16** hours of continuing education within a two-year renewal cycle. (Trainees must complete 8 hours per year - **see note below**). Continuing education credits may be selected from the following categories. All of these required courses must be taken within the renewal cycle:

- **8 hours of currently adopted plumbing code**
- **4 hours of electrical safety education**
- **4 hours of industry related education**

Note: For indentured apprentices in an approved apprenticeship program, CEU credits will be earned through their regular apprenticeship curriculum.

RCW 18.106.070(1)(a)

If you do not complete the required Continuing Education by the time of your renewal, your certificate will not be renewed. Working with an expired license is not allowed by law, and you and your employer may be assessed an infraction for this violation. **Plumbers who have not completed the requirements by the time of their renewal will be subject to a double fee.** Retesting will be required if the training is not completed within 90 days of expiration. Trainees will not receive credit for hours while the card remains in an expired status.

The following courses have been approved by Labor & Industries for Plumber Certification Continuing Education:

UPC Upgrade	12 hours of Code Update
Potable Water System Design	12 hours of Code Update
Sanitary DWV System Design	12 hours of Code Update
Storm Drainage System Design	9 hours of Code Update
Storm Drainage (Online)	8 hours of Code Update
Medical Gas	12 hours of Code Update
Electrical Safety Course	4 hours of Electrical Safety
Electrical Safety Course (Online)	4 hours of Electrical Safety
First Aid	4 hours of Industry Related
Seattle Gasfitter	4 hours of Industry Related
Trenching & Excavating	4 hours of Industry Related
OSHA 10	4 hours of Industry Related
Gas Service	4 hours of Industry Related
Current Electrical Code Changes	8 hours of Industry Related

**** Note: Actual course hours may vary from approved credit hours.**

You must attend EVERY scheduled session of the course to received CEU credits.

Electrical License Continuing Education

RCW 19.28.211

- (2) If the certificate holder demonstrates to the department that he or she has satisfactorily completed an annual eight-hour continuing education course, the certificate may be renewed without examination by appropriate application unless the certificate has been revoked, suspended, or not renewed within ninety days after the expiration date.
 - a) The contents and requirements for satisfactory completion of the continuing education course shall be determined by the director and approved by the board.
 - b) The department shall accept proof of a certificate holder's satisfactory completion of a continuing education course offered in another state as meeting the requirements for maintaining a current Washington state certificate of competency if the department is satisfied the course is comparable in nature to that required in Washington state for maintaining a current certificate of competency.
- (3) If the certificate is not renewed before the expiration date, the individual shall pay twice the usual fee. The department shall set the fees by rule for issuance and renewal of a certificate of competency. The fees shall cover but not exceed the costs of issuing the certificates and of administering and enforcing the electrician certification requirements of this chapter.
- (4) The certificates of competency and temporary permits provided for in this chapter grant the holder the right to work in the electrical construction trade as a master electrician, journeyman electrician, or specialty electrician in accordance with their provisions throughout the state and within any of its political subdivisions without additional proof of competency or any other license, permit, or fee to engage in such work.

WAC 296-46B-970 (2)(f)(i)

To be eligible for renewal of an administrator certificate, master electrician or electrician certificate of competency, the individual must have completed at least eight hours of approved continuing education for each year of the prior certification period. The individual is not required to take the classes in separate years. At least eight hours of the total required continuing education must be on the currently adopted National Electrical Code changes. Beginning January 1, 2005, four hours of the required continuing education must be on the currently adopted chapter 19.28 RCW and its related WAC(s).

The following courses have been approved by Labor & Industries for Electrical Continuing Education:

2005 Electrical Code Changes	8 hours
RCW/WAC Update	4 hours
Gas Service	4 hours
Combustion Controls	8 hours
Electrical Controls for Mechanical Equipment	8 hours
VFD8 hours	
DDC	8 hours
Equipment Grounding	4 hours

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