

RULES AND REGULATIONS
PERTAINING
TO
RESTRICTED PLUMBERS LICENSE
WATER AND SEWER LINE INSTALLATION

SECTION I. AUTHORITY

The following regulation is duly adopted and promulgated by the Arkansas State Board of Health pursuant to the authority expressly conferred by the laws of the State of Arkansas in Act 200 of 1951 as amended and Act 96 of 1913 as amended. The Department may exercise such powers as are reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of Act 200 of 1951 as amended. It may, among thong things, issue restricted licenses limited to gas fitter, residential and governmental maintenance, service line installation, solar mechanic and hospital maintenance licenses providing that the licensee has demonstrated competency for the particular phase of plumbing for which the person is licensed and providing that the Board has adopted regulations defining restrictions in the type of work allowed, geographical area served, and term of that type of restricted license.

SECTION II. PURPOSE

- a. No person shall engage in work as a Master Plumber, Journeyman Plumber or Restricted License holder called for under Act 200 of 1951 as amended unless first licensed or registered to do so by the Department of Health.

SECTION III. DEFINITIONS

- a. The State Board means the Arkansas State Board of Health
- b. The Department means the Plumbing and Natural Gas Section of the Arkansas Department of Health.
- c. Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation means a person that has met the qualification for a plumbing license to install potable water and/or sanitary sewer lines and has successfully passed the examination for such license in this State.
- d. Restricted Phase of plumbing means potable water and/or sewer service lines installation from the point of public connection or meter and point of public disposal respectively to a point within three (3) to five (5) feet of the building.
- e. Administrative Authority means the individual official, board, department or agency established and authorized by the state, county, city or political subdivision to administer and enforce the provisions of Act 200 as adopted or amended.
- f. Restricted area means any specific water and/or sewer utility system in the State currently extending or renovating service into a major service area.

SECTION IV. RESTRICTIONS

- a. Persons holding a Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation Plumbers License for the particular phase of potable water and sanitary sewer service lines shall not perform any plumbing service other than the restricted phase for which his is licensed.
- b. Persons holding a Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation Plumber's License

shall not be eligible to use experience gained under such license to obtain credit toward other forms of licenses issued by the Department.

- c. Persons holding a Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation Plumber's License shall not transfer a license from one phase of plumbing to any other phase or move from one restricted area to another without first resubmitting a new application to the Department.

SECTION V. QUALIFICATIONS

- a. The applicant for a Restricted Water and Sewer Line Installation Plumber's License shall produce evidence of his training and experience in the phase of plumbing for which he is requesting a license.
- b. Applicants for a Restricted Water and Sewer Line Installation Plumber shall be responsible for providing documentation to the Department, substantiating the insufficient amount of licensed Master Plumbers to perform service line installation in a reasonable and timely manner.

SECTION VI. APPLICATIONS AND EXAMINATIONS

- a. Information for a Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation Plumber's License shall be on an application form showing the educational experience and background of the applicant.
- b. The application form for a Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation Plumber's License shall have a space to show the restrictions requested and the restrictions shall be indicated before consideration by the Committee of Examiners.
- c. All applicants shall be examined by the Department to determine competency to perform as a Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation Plumber and on the regulations that may affect his operation.

SECTION VII. TERMS OF LICENSE AND RENEWALS

- a. Holders of Restricted Water and Sewer Line Installation Plumber's License issued under the provisions of this regulation may apply for renewal annually within thirty (30) days after the expiration date of the license. The Department may renew a license after the thirty (30) day period providing there is a sufficient reason for not renewing such license in the time specified and upon payment of penalties as prescribed by regulation.
- b. All Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation Plumber's Licenses shall be reviewed annually by the Department to determine if all restrictions have met all of the provisions of these regulations. It shall be the responsibility of the license holder to provide supporting documentation to assist the Committee of Examiners in approving renewals. All documentation shall be submitted to the Department no later than thirty (30) days prior to annual renewal.

SECTION VIII. REVOCATION OF LICENSE

- a. The Committee of Examiners may on its own motion or upon a complaint in writing duly signed and verified by the complainant, suspend or revoke any Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation Plumber's License if it has reason to believe that the holder of such license has violated any provisions of these regulation, any rule for order prescribed by the Board or has demonstrated incompetency to act as a Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation Plumber.
- b. The use of a Restricted Water and Sewer Service Line Installation Plumbers License to do plumbing other than permitted by the license shall be grounds for automatic suspension and/or revocation of such license by the Committee of Examiners providing the licensee is duly notified within thirty (30) days of the violation and pending a full hearing in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Regulation of the Arkansas Department of Health.

SECTION IX. HEARINGS

In the Case of each final order issued by the Department, any affected party may within thirty (30) days of such submit a written request for a hearing to the Director of the Department. **NOTICE:** All hearing will be scheduled within a reasonable time and held after reasonable notice has been provided to all known affected parties.

SECTION X. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of these Regulations, or the application thereof to any person is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of these Regulations which can give effect without the invalid provisions of applications, and to this end the provisions hereto are declared to be severable.

SECTION XI. REPEAL

All Regulations and parts of Regulations in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.