

## Apprenticeship Electrical Independent—Licensure Information

The [SLCC Apprenticeship Electrical Independent](#) is designed to prepare students to apply for professional licensure through the [Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing \(DOPL\)](#). To be eligible for Journeyman Electrician licensure in Utah, an apprentice must complete 576 minimum hours of related instruction and four years and 8,000 hours of on-the-job training (OJT). The SLCC Apprenticeship Electrical Independent program is registered with the US Department of Labor.

This document represents a good faith effort to describe licensure requirements in other states. Please recognize that there may be additional requirements for licensure not outlined in this document. Licensure and employment requirements vary by state, agency, and organization. In addition to the requirements listed below, applicants may be asked to submit criminal background checks, pay licensure fees or other certification fees, abide by codes of conduct, or other requirements not outlined in this document. We recommend that students who are planning to move out of Utah research licensure requirements in other states.

Once an applicant earns a Journeyman Electrician license in Utah, the applicant may be eligible for licensure reciprocity in a few other states. Applying for licensure through reciprocity means that the applicant usually does not need to retake the licensure exam in the new state.

If you have difficulty finding the licensure requirements for your state, please contact SLCC's [State Authorization Coordinator](#) for help.

### States and Territories

#### Licensure Information

This list was last updated 4/27/2021. Requirements may have changed since the last update. Please [email](#) for more information.

#### [Alabama](#)

**Board:** [Alabama Electrical Contractors Board](#)

**Contact:** 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, AL 36106, (334) 420-7232

**General Information:**

- Applicants must demonstrate a minimum of 8,000 hours of experience that shows they have the necessary qualifications, training and technical knowledge to install electrical wiring, apparatus or equipment, light, heat or power.

#### [Alaska](#)

**Board:** [Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development](#)

**Contact:** P.O. Box 111149, Juneau, AK 99811, [labor.webmaster@alaska.gov](mailto:labor.webmaster@alaska.gov)

**General Information:** [Certificate of Fitness Information and Application Form.](#)

**Reciprocity Information:**

- Alaska requires a minimum of 8,000 hours work experience subject to the National Electrical Code. A minimum of 6,000 hours must be commercial/industrial. A maximum of 2,000 hours may be residential. A maximum of 1,000 hours of trade-related classroom training and/or 1,000 hours of power lineman experience may be part of the 8,000 hours requirement. No maintenance hours will be accepted.
- [Certificate of Fitness Regulations.](#)

#### [Arizona](#)

**Board:** [Arizona Registrar of Contractors](#)

**Contact:** 700 W. Washington St. Suite 105, Phoenix, Arizona 85007-2812, (602) 542-1525

**General Information:**

- Arizona does not offer state-wide licensure for Journeyman Electricians. Individual municipalities or counties may have licensing requirements. Requirements vary from town to town. Statewide, Arizona offers an "Electrical Contractor" license.

#### [Arkansas](#)

**Board:** [Arkansas Board of Electrical Examiners](#)

**Contact:** 900 West Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, AR 72201-3108, 501-682-4500

**General Information:**

- Arkansas may accept the Utah electrical trade examination for consideration for licensure for Journeyman Electrician.
- Applicants with formal apprentice training should list this on the application. If completed, attach a copy of the completion certificate.

[California](#)

**Board:** [California Department of Industrial Relations](#)

**Contact:** 1-844-522-6734, [DIRInfo@dir.ca.gov](mailto:DIRInfo@dir.ca.gov)

**General Information:**

- [Online application and information](#).
- [Eligibility for certification](#). Completion of an apprenticeship program **OR** 8,000 hours of on-the-job training. [Click here to see breakdown of required experience hours](#).

[Colorado](#)

**Board:** [Colorado Electrical Board](#)

**Contact:** 1560 Broadway, Suite 110, Denver, CO 80202, 800-886-7675

**General Information:**

- Reciprocity is an option in Colorado, if applicants hold a current Journeyman or Master Electrician license in Utah **AND** have passed the Utah electrical licensure exam.
- [Reciprocity forms and information](#).

[Connecticut](#)

**Board:** [Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection, Electrical License](#)

**Contact:**

**General Information:**

- Apprenticeship equivalency: out-of-state applicants must submit an apprenticeship completion letter, copies of any diplomas and degrees related to occupational license type, and proof of equivalent trade-related education authored by a professional educator qualified to offer such analysis. Submitting an official college transcript is also recommended.
- Work experience: out-of-state applicants must submit notarized statements from employers detailing dates and duties of employment, totaling a minimum of 8,000 hours.

[Delaware](#)

**Board:** [Delaware Board of Electrical Examiners](#)

**Contact:** [Dcp.occupationalprofessional@ct.gov](mailto:Dcp.occupationalprofessional@ct.gov)

**General Information:**

- Applicants must submit a copy of their Certification of Completion of Apprenticeship.
- at least 8,000 hours of full-time experience performing electrical work under the supervision of a licensed master electrician, master electrician special, limited electrician, or limited electrician special. Must submit a [Verification of Employment form](#) (PDF).
- All forms and information are submitted through an online portal: [DELPROS](#).

[District of Columbia](#)

**Board:** [DC Board of Trades](#)

**Contact:** 1100 4th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20024, (202) 442-4400, [dcra@dc.gov](mailto:dcra@dc.gov)

**General Information:**

- **Journeyman by Waiver:** Apprenticeship Training Program (4 years/8,000 hours). Submit a Certificate of Completion or college transcript.
- **Journeyman by Exam:** 4-year experience/8,000 hours experience. Submit: W2s/1099s/Tax Records and Employment Verification Letter (signed by Master-

level licensee) and NEC Code Class Certificate. Exam reference material (Open Book), National Electrical Code, 2011, & Ugly's Electrical Reference.

## Florida

**Board:** [Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation, Electrical Contractors](#)

**Contact:** 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0791, (850) 487-1395

**State-wide Electrical Contactor Information:**

- Florida does not offer state-wide licensure for Journeyman Electricians. Individual municipalities or counties may have licensing requirements. Requirements vary from town to town. Statewide, Florida offers an "Electrical Contractor" license.

## Georgia

**Board:** [Georgia Board of Electrical Contractors](#)

**Contact:** 214 State Capitol, Atlanta, Georgia 30334, (404) 656-2881

**State-wide Electrical Contractor Licensure:**

- Georgia does not offer statewide licensure for Journeyman Electricians. It appears that most cities do not require licensure to work as an electrician in Georgia. Statewide, Georgia offers an "Electrical Contractor" license.

## Hawaii

**Board:** [Hawaii Professional & Vocational Licensing Division](#)

**Contact:** 808-586-3000

**General Information:**

- Journey Worker Electrician. 5 years but not less than 10,000 hours in residential or commercial wiring **and** satisfactory completion, accepted by a University of Hawaii Community College offering an appropriate program of study, of 240 hours of electrical academic coursework. This means that a Hawaii Community College must review and deem the applicant's electrical coursework for the appropriate electrician classification as equivalent to that being taught by their institution.

## Idaho

**Board:** [Idaho Division of Building Safety, Electrical Program](#)

**Contact:** 1090 E. Watertower St, Suite 150, Meridian, ID 83642, (208) 334-3950

**Reciprocity:**

- In order to qualify for the Electrical Journeyman reciprocal license, an applicant must submit a copy of the current Electrical Journeyman license. This license must have been issued after passing the journeyman electrical exam in the reciprocating state, must be active, and issued for a minimum of one year.

## Illinois

**General Information:**

- Illinois does not offer statewide licensure for Journeyman Electricians. Individual municipalities may have licensing requirements. Requirements vary from town to town.

## Indiana

**General Information:**

- Indiana does not offer statewide licensure for Journeyman Electricians. Individual municipalities may have licensing requirements. Requirements vary from town to town.

## Iowa

**Board:** [Iowa State Fire Marshall, IEEB Licensing](#)

**Contact:** (515) 725.6147, [elecinfo@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:elecinfo@dps.state.ia.us)

**General Information:**

- Complete a four- or five-year registered apprentice electrician program OR complete a 1- or 2-year Board-approved post-secondary electrical program in electrical wiring program. [Detailed application information](#) (PDF).

## Kansas

**General Information:**

- Kansas does not offer statewide licensure for Journeyman Electricians. Individual municipalities may have licensing requirements. Requirements vary from town to town.

## Kentucky

**Board:** [Kentucky Public Protection Cabinet, Electrical Division](#)

**Contact:** (502) 573-0365

**General Information:**

- [Application checklist](#) (PDF). Applicant must submit a copy of test results with their application. Applicants must pass the Journeyman's Electrical Exam No. 703. [ProV testing bulletin](#) (PDF).
- Work Experience: 6 years (12,480 hours or 72 months) of fulltime work as an electrician.

## Louisiana

**Board:** [Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors](#)

**Contact:** 600 North Street, Baton Rouge, 70802, (225) 765-2301

**General Information:**

- Louisiana does not offer statewide licensure for Journeyman Electricians. Individual municipalities may have licensing requirements. Requirements vary from town to town.

## Maine

**Board:** [Maine Professional & Financial Regulation, Electricians' Examining Board](#)

**Contact:** 35 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333, (207) 624-8500

**General Information:**

- Applicants must have 5 years (8,000 hours) working under the supervision of a Master Electrician or electrical company.
- In addition to statewide licensure, some Maine towns also requiring permitting before Electricians can perform work in that town.

## Maryland

**Board:** [Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing](#)

**Contact:** 410-230-6231, [dlopl-labor@maryland.gov](mailto:dlopl-labor@maryland.gov)

**General Information:**

- State-wide licensure is available only for Master Electrician. Local cities and counties provide other licensure options.

## Massachusetts

**Board:** [Massachusetts Board of State Examiners of Electricians](#)

**Contact:** 1000 Washington Street, Suite 710, Boston, MA 02118, (617) 727-9931

**General Information:**

- Education requirement (out-of-state): equivalent program and 600 hours required.
- Work experience requirement (out-of-state): Supervised or licensed equivalent, 4 years and 8,000 hours required.

## Michigan

**Board:** [Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Electrician](#)

**Contact:** 517-241-9316

**General Information:**

- Out-of-state applicants are required to take and pass a licensure exam in order to earn licensure in Michigan.
- A non-resident electrician who is licensed in another state or country may receive a temporary Journeyman Electrician license for a period of not more than 90 days.

## Minnesota

**Board:** [Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Electricians, Electrical Installers and Elevator Constructors](#)

**Contact:** 43 Lafayette Road N, St. Paul, MN 55155, 651-284-5005

**General Information:**

- Journeyman applicants must have at least 48 months of work experience. [Work experience requirements](#).
- A maximum of one year of experience credit will be allowed for the successful completion of a two-year, post-high school electrical course approved by the board.

[Mississippi](#)

**Board:** [Mississippi State Board of Contractors](#)

**Contact:** (800) 880-6161, [info@msboc.us](mailto:info@msboc.us)

**General Information:**

- Journeyman electricians are licensed at the local level in Mississippi.

[Missouri](#)

**Board:** [Missouri Division of Professional Registration](#)

**Contact:** 3605 Missouri Boulevard, P.O. Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102-1335, (573) 522-3280

**General Information:**

- Journeyman Electricians are generally unlicensed in Missouri. Some cities offer Journeyman Electrician licenses.
- Statewide licenses are available for Master Electricians and Electrical Contractors. [More information and applications](#).

[Montana](#)

**Board:** [Montana Department of Labor & Industry, State Electrical Board](#)

**Contact:** (406) 841-2300, [DLIBSDWEBHELP@MT.GOV](mailto:DLIBSDWEBHELP@MT.GOV)

**General Information:**

- [Application and Information](#).
- Reciprocity may be available for applicants from Utah who want to apply for licensure in Montana. [Additional information and checklist](#) (PDF).
- Applicants who are not licensed in Utah will need to complete the Montana exam.

[Nebraska](#)

**Board:** [Nebraska Electrical Division](#)

**Contact:** 120 Johnson Dr, Crawford, NE 69339, (308) 631-1828

**General Information:**

- Applicants must have at least four years' experience in the electrical trade.

[Nevada](#)

**Board:** [Nevada State Contractors Board](#)

**Contact:** (702) 486-1100

**General Information:**

- In Nevada, each locality has its own licensing authority. Statewide, Electrical Contractors are licensed through the [Nevada State Contractors Board](#).

[New Hampshire](#)

**Board:** [New Hampshire Electricians' Board](#)

**Contact:** 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH, 03301, (603) 271-2152

**Reciprocity Information:**

- To be eligible for reciprocity in New Hampshire, applicant must hold a current journeyman license for at least one year.

[New Jersey](#)

**Board:** [New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs, Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors](#)

**Contact:** (973) 504-6410, [TuckerP@dca.lps.state.nj.us](mailto:TuckerP@dca.lps.state.nj.us)

**General Information:**

- All applicants for examination must demonstrate completion of a 4-year electrical apprenticeship program accredited and approved by the United States Department of Labor, followed by one year spent as a Journeyman Electrician.

### New Mexico

**Board:** [New Mexico Construction Industries & Manufactured Housing](#)

**Contact:** 800-733-9267

**Reciprocity Information:**

- Applicants for reciprocity must have obtained a Journeyman Electrician certificate/license by passing a mandatory examination after completing either a four-year apprenticeship program, or four-years of equivalent experience.

### New York

**Board:** [NYC Buildings, Master Electricians & Special Electricians](#)

**Contact:** 280 Broadway, 1st Floor, New York, NY 10007

**General Information:**

- New York does not have a statewide electrical license. Licensure is required in some cities and counties, such as New York City.

### North Carolina

**Board:** [North Carolina Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors](#)

**Contact:** 3101 Industrial Drive, Suite 206, Raleigh, NC 27609, (919) 733-9042

**General Information:**

- Licensure levels offered in North Carolina: Limited, Intermediate, Unlimited.
- Limited licensure work experience, 2 years electrical experience, with at least one year of primary electrical work.

### North Dakota

**Board:** [North Dakota State Electrical Board](#)

**Contact:** 1929 N. Washington Street, Suite A-1, Bismarck, ND 58507-7335, (701) 328-9522

**General Information:**

- North Dakota may offer reciprocal licensing to Journeyman Electricians. [Additional information.](#)

### Ohio

**Board:** [Ohio Construction Industry Licensing Board](#)

**Contact:** (614) 644-3493, dic.ocieb@com.state.oh.us

**Contractor license requirements:**

- In Ohio, electricians are licensed at the city and county level. Requirements vary from locality.

### Oklahoma

**Board:** [Oklahoma Construction Industries Board](#)

**Contact:** 2401 NW 23rd Street, Suite 2F, Oklahoma City, OK 73107, (405) 521-6550

**General Information:**

- Submit electrical journeyman application. Once the application is approved, applicants are eligible to complete the examination.
- Out-of-state applicants must have completed an apprenticeship or similar experience. Submit a copy of the apprenticeship registration.

### Oregon

**Board:** [Oregon Electrical Journeyman License](#)

**Contact:** PO BOX 14470, DCBS - Building Codes Division, Salem, OR 97309, (503) 373-1268, [License.BCD@oregon.gov](mailto:License.BCD@oregon.gov)

**General Information:**

- Oregon has a reciprocity licensure option. [Reciprocity Application and Information.](#)

### Pennsylvania

**General Information:**

- In Pennsylvania, each city or county has a different exam requirement and licensure application. Requirements may vary by locality. Exams are administered by local Pennsylvania licensing boards.

### [Rhode Island](#)

**Board:** [Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training, Electricians](#)

**Contact:** PO Box 20247, Cranston, RI 02920-0943, (401) 462-8580

**General Information:**

- [Basic application information](#).

### [South Carolina](#)

**Board:** [Municipal Association of South Carolina, Trade Certification](#)

**Contact:** 1411 Gervais St., PO Box 12109, Columbia, SC 29211, (803) 799-9574

[masctrades@sc.rr.com](mailto:masctrades@sc.rr.com)

**General Information:**

- Journeyman: Applicant must have a minimum of two years of full-time electrical/plumbing/gas/heating and air/sheet metal installation experience under the supervision of a journeyman or master of the trade.
- [Brochure and application](#) (PDF)

### [South Dakota](#)

**Board:** [South Dakota Electrical Commission](#)

**Contact:** 308 S. Pierre Street, Pierre, SD 57501, (605) 773-3573

**General Information:**

- To take advantage of a reciprocal licensing options, applicants must have earned a license by examination; AND
- Applicant must have held the license for one year. The license must be in an active status for one year in order to be eligible for reciprocity in South Dakota.

### [Tennessee](#)

**Board:** [Tennessee Department of Commerce & Insurance, Limited Licensed Electricians](#)

**Contact:** 500 James Robertson Pkwy, Nashville, TN 37243-0565, (615) 741-2241

[Ask.TDCI@TN.Gov](mailto:Ask.TDCI@TN.Gov)

**General Information:**

- Limited Licensed Electrician (LLE) is the state-wide license title that appears to be the closest to Journeyman Electrician in Tennessee. [Application and information](#).

### [Texas](#)

**Board:** [Texas Department of Licensing & Regulation, Electrician Licensing](#)

**Contact:** PO Box 12157, Austin, TX 78711, (512) 463-6599

**General Information:**

- Applicants can apply for Reciprocity in Texas, if they hold an active, valid license in their home state for at least 1 year. [Reciprocity Application](#) (PDF).

### Utah

More information is available at the [top of this page](#).

### [Vermont](#)

**Board:** [Vermont Division of Fire Safety, Electricians](#)

**Contact:** 1311 US Route 302, Suite 600, Barre, VT 05641, (802) 479-7564

[DPS.DFSLicensing@vermont.gov](mailto:DPS.DFSLicensing@vermont.gov)

**General Information:**

- [Application and information](#) (PDF).
- Applicants should submit proof of 12,000 hours of experience through signed affidavits from their employers.

### [Virginia](#)

**Board:** [Virginia Department of Professions and Occupational Regulation, Tradesmen Program](#)

**Contact:** (804) 367-2785

**General Information:**

- Applicants must submit a Certification of Licensure/Letter of Good Standing, if they are licensed in another state.

### [Washington](#)

**Board:** [Washington Electrical Licensing, Exams & Education](#)

**Contact:** 7273 Linderson Way SW, Tumwater, WA 98501-5414, (360) 902-5800

**General Information:**

- Out-of-state applicants should submit a Certificate of Completion and official transcript for review. Also, applicants must submit a letter from the training director outlining the curriculum in NEC or electrical theory and the number of in-class hours.

### [West Virginia](#)

**Board:** [West Virginia State Fire Marshal, Electrical Licensing](#)

**Contact:** 304-558-2191

**General Information:**

- Work Experience requirement: Applicants must have 8,000 hours or at least 4 years (48 months) of actual, hands-on electrical work experience.

### [Wisconsin](#)

**Board:** [Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services](#)

**Contact:** 4822 Madison Yards Way, Madison WI 53705, (877) 617-1565

**General Information:**

- [Application and information](#) (PDF).

### [Wyoming](#)

**Board:** [Wyoming Department of Fire Prevention and Electrical Safety](#)

**Contact:** 320 West 25th Street, 3rd Floor, Cheyenne Wyoming 82002, (307) 777-7288

**General Information:**

- Wyoming has a reciprocal process for Journeyman Electrician and Master Electrician.