

Plumbing and Mechanical Systems Examining Board  
Chapter 29 Committee Meeting  
February 14, 2011  
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Dial in: 1 (866) 685-1580  
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Present: Jane Hagedorn, Chuck Thomas, Mick Gage, Ron Masters, Tom Day, Matt Oetker, September Lau, Cindy Houlson, Susan Van Horn, Mary Swinehart

**Proposed changes for Chapter 29:**

Matt reviewed the proposed changes (following):

Item 1. Amend subrule 29.2(4)(g) as follows:

**29.2(4)(g)** Provide the board with evidence that the applicant holds an active master license or employs at least one person who holds an active master license issued under Iowa Code chapter 105 for each discipline in which the applicant performs chapter 105 covered work.

Item 2. Amend 641—Chapter 29 by adopting a new subrule as follows:

**29.6(4)** Expiration of Passing Examination. An applicant who successfully passes an examination must apply for licensure in the applicable discipline at the applicable discipline level within two years of notification that the applicant successfully passed the examination. A passing examination score shall expire if the applicant fails to apply for licensure within the two year period as set forth herein and the applicant shall be required to successfully retake said examination to become licensed in the applicable discipline at the applicable discipline level.

Item 3. Amend subrule 29.6(3)(l) as follows:

**29.6(3)(l)** A journeyperson examination applicant may apply to sit for the examination up to ~~60 days~~ 6 months prior to completion of the 48 months required apprentice credit, which shall include the granting of advanced standing or credit for previously acquired experience, training, or skills.

Following a lengthy discussion, a 4-1 vote was taken. This committee will be taking this proposed change to the Board Meeting with a recommendation that a journeyperson examination applicant may apply to sit for the examination up to 60 days prior to completion of the 48 months of required apprentice credit, which shall include the granting of advanced standing or credit for previously acquired experience, training, or skills.

**Equivalent:**

Cindy did a great deal of research to provide additional information on Colleges and schools to help the committee decide if any of the schools are equivalent to NATE. The information was from:

Kirkwood Community College - AAS-Industrial Maintenance and HVAC Technology Program.

North Iowa Area Community College - AAS Climate Control Technology  
DMACC - AAS Heating, AC, Refrigeration Technology

Hawkeye Community College - AAS Heating AC, Refrigeration Technology

Indiana Hills Community College Industrial Maintenance Diploma

Scott Community College - AS degree & diploma

This committee is making a recommendation to the board to accept the following three for equivalency:

Northeast Iowa Community College, Diploma  
RSES  
Black Hills Energy Appliance Technical Training

The committee asked that Black Hills Energy representative be invited to the next meeting.

**Definition of Helper**

Helpers would have to have direct supervision.

Ron talked about the issue such as Marshalltown/Midamerican project. How could out of state contractors get extra labor? Could there be a temporary work permit such as 6 months to a year. At any given time we have had two to three ethanol plants being constructed with no license from Iowa.

Matt: Elective officials are the only ones that can change 105.