

Plumbing and Mechanical Systems Board
Chapter 29 Notes
Thursday, June 10, 2010 at 2:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Thomas Day, Ron Masters & Chuck Thomas

Staff Attending: Cindy Houlson, Dan Hostetler, Susan Van Horn, Matt Oetker and Mary Swinehart

1. *If an individual takes an exam and does not apply for a license five years later is that acceptable, should there be a time limit placed? (from ARC Mtg.)*
Following a lengthy discussion this Committee agreed that an applicant would be required to apply for a license within two years after passing the exam.

2. *Individuals that come from out of state to take a journey exam (have completed apprenticeship) may or may not have a GED or high school education. To acquire an Iowa apprentice license one of the requirements is GED or high school education. Is this a loop hole? (from ARC Mtg.)*
The requirement for a GED or high school education to join an apprenticeship is a requirement in Iowa. The Department of Labor Apprenticeship (DOL) does not have that requirement. As long as the individual has completed a DOL approved apprenticeship they have met the requirement.

3. *Do we need to amend a rule to say the master must be in the specific discipline for a contractor license? (from ARC Mtg.)*
Matt will clarify in Chapter 29. A master can use his license for four different contractors if he/she chooses. A master can be a responsible master for only one contractor per discipline.

- ~~*Contractor license—One master per trade as discussed at the Board Meeting (from ARC Mtg.)*~~
This was a repeat question from #3 above.

- ~~*Apprentice license requirement of GED or high school in applicable for in state, not required for out of state applicants. (from ARC Mtg.)*~~
This was a repeat question from #2 above.

4. *Surety Bond Issue from Jim Holter, A.V.P. & Commercial Surety Manager, Merchants Bonding Company*
Attached

Following a lengthy discussion the following questions surfaced:

How is a surety bond different than insurance?

What is the bond suppose to do?

What is the standard in the industry?

What is the difference between cancellation and expiration?

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These questions will have to be answered to allow contractor license to move forward.

Next Meeting: July 15th, 9-11 a.m. in Lucas Room 142
Representatives from Merchants Bonding Company & Holmes Murphy
will be invited to this meeting

Adjournment