Electrical Work (Statewide)

Classification Description

An electrical contractor is one who conducts business in the installation, maintenance and repair of electrical work conforming to applicable standards and codes.

Legal Definition of an Electrical Contractor

Under the Contractors’ Licensing Law (La. R.S. 37: 2150-2192), an electrical contractor is defined as “any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, or furnishing labor together with material and equipment, or installing the same for the wiring, fixtures, or appliances for the supply of electricity to any residential, commercial, or other project, when the cost of the undertaking exceeds the sum of ten thousand dollars.”
Introduction

Electrical Work (Statewide) is an open book examination with 100 multiple-choice questions and a minimum passing score of 75. You will have four and ½ hours (270 minutes) to complete this examination.

This bulletin contains only a representative sample of the many good references available on the subject at the time the list was compiled. It is not a comprehensive listing. Please note that it is not necessary to read all of the books in order to pass the examination. Rather, this list is intended to suggest what types of references might be useful in helping to acquire the basic knowledge needed to perform this type of work. Often the best preparation is training through a mentor or through a company or organizational training program, or a higher educational or vocational educational training program, etc., along with actual experience.

We try to keep this list current with books in print, but some books go out of print from time to time. These books may be available in your local library's collection or through the services of Inter-Library Loan. If still in print, these books may also be available through your local bookstore or by contacting the publisher. All references available via the internet are followed by the appropriate website address for obtaining the reference. From time to time, website addresses may change and no longer be available. In such cases, please search for the appropriate new website address or contact the publisher or a library to obtain a copy.
Differences in Electrical Work Classifications

**Electrical Work (Statewide)**
May bid, contract and perform any kind of electrical work without limit anywhere throughout the state. Exempt from any local licensing exam. Local license must still be obtained as required. Employees not required to hold a separate license to perform electrical work or pull permits. Exempt from all Fire Marshal licensing requirements for Life Safety and/or Property Protection licensing. The State Fire Marshal maintains that service work on burglar alarms lines or closed circuit television lines, or new panel box terminations for burglar alarms and closed circuit television must be performed by a contractor, subcontractor, or employee of the contractor or subcontractor who holds the appropriate license with the Fire Marshall's Office.

**Electrical Work (Restricted)**
May bid, contract and perform any kind of electrical work without limit anywhere throughout the state. Must take any local licensing exam required for any local license and obtain local license as required. Employees can be required to obtain separate local license and/or take separate local exam.

**Electrical Work (Act 725 – Restricted)**
May bid, contract and perform any kind of electrical work without limit but only within the parishes stated on the license. Exempt from any local licensing exam. Local license must still be obtained as required. Employees not required to hold a separate license to perform electrical work or pull permits.

**Electrical Work (Bidding Only)**
May bid and contract an electrical work job, but must use a properly licensed electrical contractor to perform the work.

*These classifications are no longer available to new applicants. New applicants who have never held this classification must take Electrical Work (Statewide).*
In addition to the 100 examination items specified, 10 non-scored “experimental” questions will be administered to candidates during the examination. These questions will not be counted towards the candidate’s overall score on the examination, and will be randomly distributed throughout the examination. The administered of such non-scored experimental questions is an essential step in developing future licensing examinations.

References

The reference material listed below was used to prepare the questions for this examination. The examination may also contain questions based on trade knowledge or general industry practices. Except for Code books, you can base your answers on later editions of references as they become available. For Code questions, the examinations will be based only on the editions of the Code book that are listed. Candidates may use a silent, nonprinting, non-programmable calculator in the examination center.

This examination is OPEN BOOK. The books below will be provided to you for the duration of the examination. You will not be allowed to use your own books during the examination. NOTE: It is NOT necessary to use both the 2014 and 2017 National Electrical Code to answer questions. All questions using the National Electrical Code will be valid for both codes.

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