

REQUIREMENTS FOR EXAMINATION AND LICENSE - ELECTRICIANS & PLUMBERS

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THE LAW

No person shall act or assume to act as a journey worker electrician, journey worker specialty electrician, supervising electrician, supervising specialty electrician, journey worker plumber, master plumber, maintenance electrician, journey worker industrial electrician, or supervising industrial electrician, or advertise or hold the person's self out as an electrician or plumber, without a license previously obtained in compliance with Chapter 448E, Hawaii Revised Statutes and Chapter 16-80, Hawaii Administrative Rules.

The electrician's or plumber's license DOES NOT allow one to contract to perform electrical or plumbing work. A contractor's license pursuant to 444, HRS is required.

QUALIFYING FOR THE EXAMINATION

TRADE EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

IMPORTANT: Hawaii **does not** reciprocate with any jurisdiction. Incomplete or deficient applications will delay processing.

All applicants shall meet the requirements in effect at the time of application. Applicants shall apply, be qualified by the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, and attain a passing score on Hawaii's licensure examination.

EXPERIENCE VERIFICATION FORMS REQUIRED

Submit completed and notarized forms "Experience Verification(s) - Electrician Only" OR "Experience Verification(s) - Plumber Only" from **EACH** licensed electrician OR plumber under whom you received your experience/training.

NOTE: A license as an electrical or plumbing **contractor** is not acceptable on this form, provided that if the state where you attained your experience does not require licensure as a journey worker, supervising or master electrician or plumber, but only requires a contractor's license, the Board will accept a notarized Experience Verification form signed by the licensed contractor. In these cases, the applicant shall submit verification of the contractor's license that includes the effective dates of licensure which shall coincide with the dates being verified.

ELECTRICIANS ONLY

Act 35, SLH 2010 requires all journey worker and maintenance electricians to provide verification of completion of electrical academic coursework conducted at or accepted by a University of Hawaii Community College. (See below for the number of hours required for each electrician classification).

<u>TYPE OF LICENSE</u>	<u>LICENSE TYPE CODE</u>	<u>REQUIREMENTS</u>
Journey Worker Electrician.	EJ.	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.
Supervising Electrician.	ES.	4 years experience as a licensed journey worker electrician or equivalent.
Journey Worker Industrial Electrician.	EJI.	4 years but not less than 8,000 hours in industrial electrical work and satisfactory completion, accepted by a University of Hawaii Community College offering an appropriate program of study, of 200 hours of electrical academic coursework.
Supervising Industrial Electrician.	ESI.	3 years experience as a licensed journey worker industrial electrician or equivalent.

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Journey Worker Specialty Electrician.	EJS. 3 years but not less than 6,000 hours in the trade and satisfactory completion, accepted by a University of Hawaii Community College offering an appropriate program of study, of 120 hours of electrical academic coursework.
Supervising Specialty Electrician.	ESS. 2 years experience as a licensed journey worker specialty electrician or equivalent.
Maintenance Electrician.	EM. 1 year of electrical maintenance work and satisfactory completion, accepted by a University of Hawaii Community College offering an appropriate program of study, of 80 hours of electrical academic coursework or 2 years of schooling in the trade with not less than 1,000 hours of hands-on lab exercises.

For supervising electrician categories, equivalent experience in the trade means having been "licensed" as a journey worker or supervising level electrician (EJ, EJS, ESS) for at least 4 years in another county, state, or country when requirements for licensure are substantially equivalent to those in force in this state.

Journey Worker Plumber.	PJ. 5 years but not less than 10,000 hours of plumbing work in compliance with the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC).
Master Plumber.	PM. Registered as a licensed journey worker plumber in this or another state for at least 2 years.

For a master plumber, equivalent experience in the trade means having been licensed as a journey worker or master level plumber for at least 2 years in another county, state, or country when requirements for licensure are substantially equivalent to those in force in this State.

ELECTRICAL COURSEWORK REQUIRED FOR ELECTRICIANS ONLY

Pursuant to 448E-5(b), all journey worker & maintenance electrician classifications are subject to an educational component. The electrical academic coursework outlined below shall be conducted by or accepted by a University of Hawaii Community College. This means that a Hawaii Community College must review and deem your electrical coursework for the appropriate electrician classification as equivalent to that being taught by their institution.

To obtain the required electrical coursework, contact the HCC or participating community colleges directly for their course schedule.

OAHU
Office of Continuing Education
Honolulu Community College
874 Dillingham Boulevard
Honolulu, HI 96817
Phone: (808)845-9296
Email: honcet@hawaii.edu

LEEWARD
Office of Continuing Education &
Workforce Development
96-045 Ala 'Ike, Room CE-101
Pearl City, HI 96782
Phone: (808)455-0477
Fax: (808)453-6730
Email: ocewd@hawaii.edu
Website: <http://www.ocewd.org>

HAWAII
EDvance
1175 Manono St.
Bldg. 379-A, Room 3
Hilo, HI 96720
Phone: (808)934-2700
Fax: (808)934-2701
Email: edvance@hawaii.edu
Website: <https://edvance.hawaii.hawaii.edu>

MAUI
EdVenture
310 W. Ka'ahumanu Ave.
Kahului, HI 96732
Phone: (808)984-3231
Fax: (808)984-3874
Email: info@edventuremaui.com
Website: <http://maui.hawaii.edu/edventure>

KAUAI
Kauai Community College
Office of Continuing Education & Training
3-1901 Kaumualii Hwy.
Lihue, HI 96766
Phone: (808)245-8318
Website: <https://sites.google.com/a/hawaii.edu/office-of-continuing-education>

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**ELECTRICAL
COURSEWORK
REQUIRED FOR
ELECTRICIANS
ONLY
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NOTICE: Before submitting your coursework for review, check if your coursework has been approved on the Approved Academic Coursework Required by HRS §448E-5 Minimum Requirements (b) list at: https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/electrician/application_publication.

For review of educational coursework not obtained at or not previously approved by the Hawaii Community College system, provide the following:

1. Verification of Completion: Honolulu Community College requires official verification of completion documents that you completed training through an apprenticeship program, collegiate program of study, Military training, or a combination of each.
2. Program and Course Description: Provide detailed program and course descriptions from your respective training program. These documents are used to determine if the appropriate electrical content areas as defined by Hawaii Revised Statutes, §448E-5(b), minimum requirements, are included as part of the training program.
3. Provide your contact information: Name, primary phone, mailing address, email address.
4. Submit all documents to:

Email: honcet@hawaii.edu

OR

Mail to: Honolulu Community College
Attention: Non Credit Registration Office
874 Dillingham Boulevard
Honolulu, HI 96817

NOTE: The Board is unable to accept electrical academic coursework that has not been reviewed and approved by a University of Hawaii Community College.

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ELECTRICAL ACADEMIC COURSEWORK

Courses	Maintenance Electrician 80 hours	Journey Worker Specialty Electrician 120 hours	Journey Worker Industrial Electrician 200 hours	Journey Worker Electrician 240 hours
DC Theory I 20 hours	X	X	X	X
DC Theory II 20 hours		X		
AC Theory I 10 hours	X	X	X	X
AC Theory II 10 hours	X		X	X
AC Theory III 20 hours			X	X
Codeology, Basic 20 hours	X	X	X	
Codeology, Residential and Commercial 20 hours				X
Grounding I 20 hours		X	X	X
Grounding II 10 hours			X	X
Grounding III 10 hours				X
Motor and Motor Control Maintenance 20 hours	X			
Motors 30 hours			X	X
Motor Control 30 hours			X	X
Transformers 30 hours			X	X
Test Instruments 10 hours		X		X
Configuring and Installing Structured Cabling Systems 20 hours		X		

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FILING DEADLINE AND EXAM INFORMATION

The Board reviews applications and determines whether applicants meet the experience requirements. A complete application along with appropriate fees must be received at least seven (7) **working days** before the board meeting date. Board meetings are usually scheduled in the months of February, April, June, August, October and December. Visit our website at cca.hawaii.gov/pvl for Board meeting schedule.

Examinations are usually scheduled in the month after the board meeting. Visit our website at cca.hawaii.gov/pvl for exam schedule.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING

APPLICATION FORM

Complete the on-line fillable application and print the form OR print **legibly** in dark ink. Answer all questions. If an item is not applicable, indicate "NA". Application must be signed. Submit application, supporting documents, and application fee by the filing deadline.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

Your Social Security Number is used to verify your identity for licensing purposes and for compliance with the below laws. For a license to be issued you must **provide your Social Security Number or your application will be deemed deficient and will not be processed further.**

The following laws require that you furnish your Social Security Number to our agency:

FEDERAL LAWS:

42 U.S.C.A. §666(a)(13) requires the Social Security Number of any applicant for a professional license or occupational license be recorded on the application for license; and if you are a licensed health care practitioner, **45 C.F.R., Part 61, Subpart B, §61.7** requires the Social Security Number as part of the mandatory reporting we must do to the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank (HIPDB), of any final adverse licensing action against a licensed health care practitioner.

HAWAII REVISED STATUTES ("HRS"):

§576D-13(j), HRS requires the Social Security Number of any applicant for a professional license or occupational license be recorded on the application for license; and

§436B-10(4), HRS which states that an applicant for license shall provide the applicant's Social Security Number if the licensing authority is authorized by federal law to require the disclosure (and by the federal cites shown above, we are authorized to require the Social Security Number).

FEES

Attach the application fee of \$40 (non-refundable). Additional fees will be assessed after board approval and passage of the examination. Make checks payable to: COMMERCE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS. (check must be in U.S. dollars and be from a U.S. financial institution.)

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Complete and ATTACH to your application:

1. Experience Verification Form **MUST BE Completed & Signed by a licensed electrician or plumber!** If supervisor is licensed out-of-state, **attach a verification of licensure that shall include the effective date of the license.** This form is used to verify the work experience of the applicant. The applicant completes the top portion of the form and the licensed electrician/plumber verifies the work experience of the applicant by describing in detail the work performed and by indicating the total work hours per work process (see page 2 of the form for description of the work process), and the total hours of experience based on the total years of service. The licensed electrician/plumber provides his licensing information and signs before a notary public.

If the state in which you gained your experience does not require licensure as a journey worker, supervising, or master electrician or plumber and only requires a contractor's license, the Board will accept a notarized Experience Verification form signed by the licensed contractor provided license verification as a contractor is submitted which shall include the effective dates of licensure.

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**SUPPORTING
DOCUMENTS
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- NOTE: For those applicants who have had electrical or plumbing contractor licenses and who have been self employed, you may self attest and personally complete the Experience Verification form provided you:
- Submit a copy or other state verification of a valid contractors or other appropriate license that allowed you to contract to perform electrical or plumbing work. (If not currently valid, provide verification that it was current and valid during the time period being claimed.)
2. License Verification Form(s) required if licensed in any other state or jurisdiction - This form is used to verify any license held in other jurisdictions and whether any license has been encumbered or disciplined in any way. The applicant must complete the top portion of the form, sign, and forward the form to the licensing jurisdiction in which the applicant is licensed. Upon receipt of the completed form from the other jurisdiction, applicant must submit this form with the application or have the licensing authority send the form directly to the Board. **Forms are required from each state or jurisdiction in which a license has ever been held.**
3. Verification of completion of the required electrical academic coursework. The Board will accept copies of a diploma, a certificate of completion, a certificate of competence, a certificate of achievement, a transcript with a date of graduation or date degree conferred, or a letter from the registrar of a University of Hawaii Community College indicating that all requirements have been met to complete the required electrical academic coursework. The Board will also accept a certificate of completion of an approved apprenticeship program as noted above.

Instructions for "YES" Answers to questions (3) thru (7) of the Application for License (EP-01)

- A. The following documentation must be submitted with the license application. Applications for license will not be considered without this material.
- 1) Questions 5 and 6 refer to complaints, charges of unlicensed activity, or pending disciplinary actions for any profession, occupation, or license. If your answer is "**yes**" to one or more of these questions, **submit** the following:
- i. A statement signed by you explaining the circumstances; and
 - ii. Copies of any documents from the agency, including final orders, petitions, complaints, finding of facts and conclusions of law, and any other relevant documents;
- 2) If your application indicates criminal conviction, you must **submit** the following:
- i. A statement signed by you explaining the circumstances leading to the conviction and detailing all activities since the conviction, including employment and business involvements. Include job title, period of employment, employer's name, description of duties, training attended, and educational courses attended;
 - ii. A copy of the court order, verdict, indictment, judgment, guilty plea and terms of sentence; and
 - iii. If applicable, a copy of the terms of probation and/or parole and notarized statement from your probation or parole officer as to your compliance with the court orders;
 - iv. A **current** criminal history record check in your name, from the Hawaii Criminal Justice Data Center (HCJDC), dated within 6 months. Contact the department of the Attorney General, Hawaii Criminal Justice Data Center, Kekuanao'a Building 456 S. King Street, Rm. 101, Honolulu, HI 96813. Phone: (808) 587-3100 or visit their website at: **ecrim.ehawaii.gov** to request a "Criminal History Record Check".
 - v. If your criminal conviction occurred in a state or states other than Hawaii, a current criminal history record check will be required from each state **AND** Hawaii. Contact the local authority or board in each state for their forms, instructions and fees on obtaining criminal history record checks.

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ADDRESS

The Board's mailing address is:

Board of Electricians & Plumbers
DCCA, PVL Licensing Branch
P.O. Box 3469
Honolulu, HI 96801
Phone No.: (844) 808-3222

OR

Toll free voice access neighbor island numbers:

Kauai - 274-3141 ext. 6-3000
Maui - 984-2400 ext. 6-3000
Hawaii - 974-4000 ext. 6-3000
Molokai - 1-800-468-4644 ext. 6-3000
Lanai - 1-800-468-4644 ext. 6-3000

If you wish to deliver your application in person or by overnight mail, the Board's street address is:

Board of Electricians & Plumbers
335 Merchant Street, Rm. 301
Honolulu, HI 96813

EXAMINATION

Upon approval by the board of your application, you will be sent an "Examination Registration Form." This form is to be completed and sent **directly** to the testing contractor along with the appropriate examination fee and one (1) copy of your approval letter. Questions regarding the examination and study material should be directed to PSI Services.

For examination information, including registration, exam locations, and Candidate Information Bulletins, please visit the PSI Services website at <https://test-takers.psiexams.com/hitrade/>.

For telephone registration, please call (833) 333-4754.

NOTE: All electrician examinations will be "open code book" beginning in January 1998, and Prometric will provide the appropriate electrical code book at the examination.

REQUEST TO TAKE THE LICENSING EXAMINATION OUT-OF-STATE - Must be approved by the Board. Submit your written request along with your application in advance of the deadline date, to allow for sufficient processing time. Please be advised that you are responsible for any additional cost for this out-of-state testing accommodation and test locations are limited to sites at which the testing service has a secured office.

**EXAMINATION
MATERIAL AND
CODE BOOK**

The Electricians exam is based on the National Electrical Code (NEC), and the Plumbers exam is based on the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC). These may be purchased from the City and County Purchasing Division, City Hall, Ground Floor, Honolulu, Hawaii (Phone: 523-4780).

LAWS AND RULES

A copy of the laws, Chapter 448E, Hawaii Revised Statutes and rules Chapter 80, Hawaii Administrative Rules relating to electricians and plumbers may be obtained by submitting a written request to: DCCA, P.O. Box 3469, 335 Merchant Street, Rm. 301, Honolulu, HI 96801. Chapter 436B, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Professional and Vocational Licensing Act should be read in conjunction with the above statutes.

- The laws and rules are also posted on our website at: cca.hawaii.gov/pvl. Click on "Electricians & Plumbers" and then select "Statute/Rule Chapter" in the box on the right.

**ABANDONMENT OF
APPLICATION**

Pursuant to HAR§16-80-5(5) Your application shall be deemed abandoned and shall be destroyed if, after two consecutive years, the applicant fails to provide the board evidence of the applicant's continued efforts to complete the licensure process, which includes but is not limited to filing of forms or requested documentation, passage of examinations, and payment of fees.

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LICENSE FEES

UPON PASSING THE EXAMINATIONS, the following license fees will be due. (Do not send license fees with your initial application).

PLUMBERS

If applying for your license between July 1, and June 30, of the first year of the triennium (2015, 2018, 2021, 2024)	\$306
If applying for your license between July 1, and June 30, of the second year of the triennium (2016, 2019, 2022, 2025)	\$204
If applying for your license between July 1, and June 30, of the third year of the triennium (2017, 2020, 2023, 2026)	\$102

ELECTRICIANS

If applying for your license between July 1, and June 30, of the first year of the triennium (2014, 2017, 2020, 2023)	\$306
If applying for your license between July 1, and June 30, of the second year of the triennium (2015, 2018, 2021, 2024)	\$204
If applying for your license between July 1, and June 30, of the third year of the triennium (2013, 2016, 2019, 2022)	\$102

NOTE: One of the numerous legal requirements that you must meet in order for your new license to be issued is the payment of fees as set forth in this application. You may be sent a license certificate before the payment you sent us for your required fees is honored by your bank. If your payment is dishonored, you will have failed to pay the required licensing fee and your license will not be valid, and you **may not** do business under that license. Also, a \$25.00 service charge shall be assessed for payments that are dishonored for any reason.

If for any reason you are denied the license you are applying for, you may be entitled to a hearing as provided by Title 16, Chapter 201, Hawaii Administrative Rules, and/or Chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Your written request for a hearing must be directed to the agency that denied your application, and must be made within 60 days of notification that your application for a license has been denied.

MAINTAINING THE LICENSE

RENEWAL AND CONTINUED COMPETENCY REQUIREMENT

All **PLUMBER** licenses, regardless of issuance date, are subject to renewal on or before June 30, **every three years (triennial renewal) beginning June 30, 2006.** ***All licensed plumbers will need to provide proof of completing the continued competency requirement at the time of renewal.** Please keep the board informed of any address changes in writing.

All **ELECTRICIAN** licenses, regardless of issuance date, are subject to renewal on or before June 30, every three years (triennial renewal) beginning June 1996. **All licensed electricians, except maintenance electricians, will need to provide proof of completing the continued competency requirement at the time of renewal.** Please keep the board informed of any address changes in writing.

The continued competency requirement for all licensed plumbers and electricians except the maintenance electricians is to:

- 1) Furnish proof of attendance at an educational course on the updates to the Uniformed Plumbing Code (UPC) for plumbers which is updated every three years (2018, 2021, 2024, etc) and the National Electrical Code (NEC) which is updated every three years (2017, 2020, 2023, etc). The Honolulu Community College (HCC) has been approved to develop and teach these courses. Contact the HCC or participating community colleges directly to schedule the either course.

OAHU
Roy Inouye
844-2326

HAWAII
Wilt Watanabe
974-7531

MAUI
Dawn Okazaki
984-3231

KAUAI
Bill Blackburn
245-8319

OR

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**RENEWAL AND
CONTINUED
COMPETENCY
REQUIREMENT
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- 2) Successfully complete an examination prescribed by the board on current updates to the UPC or NEC. Prometric has been approved to develop and administer the examinations. The examination for electricians will be "open book" and Prometric will provide the appropriate code book at the examination. Contact Prometric at the following address or telephone number:

Prometric
354 Uluniu St., Suite 308
Kailua, HI 96734

Phone: (808) 261-8182

**ONE TIME
CONTINUED
COMPETENCY
EXEMPTION**

A plumber or electrician licensee who has been issued **a new license within one year of the renewal date shall not be required to take the course or the examination to renew the licensee's license for the first renewal period.** This licensee shall, however, meet the continued competency requirements for subsequent renewals.

**RELEASE OF
INFORMATION**

If an agency or individual is assisting you with the licensure process, we will not be able to release any information to them unless you provide us with authorization. If you wish to do so, please complete the portion on "**Release of Information to Third Party**", sign, and date it.

APPLICATION FOR EXAM AND LICENSE - ELECTRICIANS AND PLUMBERS

Please read the instructions before completing this form.

Check the TYPE OF LICENSE you are applying for (only one):

☐ EJ ☐ ES ☐ EJI ☐ ESI ☐ EJS ☐ ESS ☐ EM ☐ PJ ☐ PM

LEGAL NAME (First, Middle)

(Last)

Residence Address (Include Apt. No., City, State and Zip Code)

Mailing Address (ONLY if different from above)

Social Security No.

Email

Phone No. (Days)

FOR OFFICE USE

Lic. No.:

Eff. Date:

Other Names Used

EXPERIENCE IN THE TRADE (If more space is needed, use separate 8 1/2" x 11" sheets)	Dates (mo/yr)		Hours a week	Description of Duties and Position Title	Name, Address and Phone No. of Employer
	From	To			

Check answers. If response to questions 5, 6, or 7 is "yes", refer to instructions for additional documents that must be submitted with this application.

1. Are you at least 18 years of age? ☐ Yes ☐ No
2. Are you a U.S. citizen, a U.S. national, or an alien authorized to work in the United States? ☐ Yes ☐ No
3. Have you ever filed an application with Hawaii? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 4a. Do you presently hold or have you ever held an electrician's or plumber's license in Hawaii or any other state or jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 4b. If "yes", list all licenses you currently hold or have held. Indicate name of state or jurisdiction. _____

Expiration date: _____

License No.: _____

Type of License: _____

Effective Date: _____

5. Has any license ever been suspended, revoked or denied, or otherwise subject to disciplinary action? ☐ Yes ☐ No
6. Are there any disciplinary actions pending against you? ☐ Yes ☐ No
7. Have you ever been convicted of a crime in any jurisdiction that has not been annulled or expunged? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Print Name of Applicant: _____

Date: _____

AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT:

I certify that the statements, answers, and representations made in this application and in the documents attached are true and correct. I understand that any misrepresentation is grounds for refusal to grant or subsequent revocation of license (Section 710-1017, Sections 436B-19, and 448 E-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes). I further certify that I have read and will abide by the provisions of Chapter 448E, HRS and Chapter 80, HAR.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Release of Information to Third Party:

To assist me in the licensing process, I hereby authorize DCCA's staff to release any and all information regarding my application (including, but not limited to application status) to the following third party:

Print name of Individual who is assisting you: _____

Name of Organization: _____

Signature of Applicant

Date